

# Pasco Education Foundation's

## *2026 Scholarship Opportunities for Graduating Seniors*

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### *River Ridge High School Scholarships*

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#### **Aaron William Guynn Memorial Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Must be a student who has been determined eligible with a Specific Learning Disability (SLD)
- Minimum 2.5 Unweighted GPA
- **Separate Essay:** Why I feel I am a stronger person because of my learning disability?

#### **Alfred G. Heiler Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Student must show evidence of financial need
- Minimum 3.2 unweighted GPA

#### **Alpha Delta Kappa (Delta Xi Chapter) Future Teacher Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Demonstrate School and community service through volunteerism, committee or club involvement.
- Major in the Education field
- Show evidence of financial need
- **Separate Essay:** Why do you want to teach?

#### **Anne Karpay, Ph.D. Memorial Scholarship of Excellence**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Demonstrate School and community service through volunteerism, committee or club involvement.
- Must have earned at least one Varsity Athletic Letter
- Applicants must pursue a career in science
- **Separate Essay:** What activities have you participated in that demonstrate your love/commitment to science?

#### **Ashley Morrison Heart Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA
- Participate in FHSAA recognized Sport
- Teacher and Coach Reference
- **Separate Essays:**
  - How do you feel sports has prepared you for the future?
  - Give an example of a time you have shown leadership in your life and whom did it impact?
  - How would receiving this scholarship help you and/or your family?

**CLASS Adam Kennedy Future Educator Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Pursue a degree in Education

**Concourse Council – Jim Wilcox Memorial Scholarship Criteria**

- Pasco County Public School High School Senior
- Post-secondary education majoring in environmental sciences (ecology, agriculture, archaeology, biology, forestry)
- Minimum 2.75 - 3.50 Weighted Grade Point Average
- Community Involvement (Minimum 50 community service hours)
- **Special Essay:** Why are you passionate about the environment and how can science improve our world?

**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Clearwater Alumnae Chapter Scholarship**

- Graduating Senior from Anclote, Angeline, Fivay, Gulf, Hudson, J.W. Mitchell, Land O' Lakes, River Ridge, Sunlake, or Wendell Krinn Technical High School
- Cumulative unweighted GPA of 2.75
- Must have 50 or more Community Service Hours
- Must Submit Two letters of Recommendation

**Dr. Rodney Ackley Dentistry Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Pursuing a career in Dentistry

**Ed Braddy Young Scientist Award**

- Pasco County Schools Graduating Senior
- Participated in the Pasco Regional Science Fair

**Fine Arts of the Suncoast Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Show interest in pursuing the Visual Fine Arts field, including but not limited to: painting, weaving, 2 or 3 Dimensional Art, Fine Art Photography, Fiber Art, Fashion Design, Sculpture or Art Education.

**Flo Massaro Future Educator Scholarship**

- Must graduate from Fivay High, Hudson High, Mitchell High, or River Ridge High
- Major in the Education Field
- **Separate Essay:** Why do you want to pursue a career in the field of education?

**Florida Sports Coast Student Athlete Scholarship**

- Pasco County Schools Graduating Senior
- Must have a minimum of a 3.2 GPA
- Must have participated in sport(s) all four years of high school
- Minimum of 100 community service hours
- Recommendation letter from Athletic Director or Principal
- **Special Essay:** What are the benefits and challenges of balancing your academics with your sport participation? What is it about your sport that makes you passionate? Offer up examples that help to illustrate your point.

**Gabriella Banks Memorial Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Must have a minimum of a 3.0 unweighted GPA
- Pursuing a career in Culinary or Music Education
- Recommendation letter from teacher or employer
- **Special Essay:** Why are you pursuing higher education and how will this scholarship help you attain your goals?

**Gail L. Wright MD Scholarship**

- Pasco County Schools Graduating Senior
- Majoring in Medical Field

**Greta Adams Future Teacher Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Major in Education Field
- Minimum of a 3.5 Unweighted GPA

**Hamilton-Sears Endowment for Trade School Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Must be attending Trade School or pursuing an education in a Trade

**James M. Marlowe Allied Health scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Show interest in pursuing a career in a health-related field
- Demonstrate School, Community and Health care field service with a minimum of 100 community service hours
- Unweighted GPA must be between a 3.0 and 3.5

**Jennifer Rosalino Teaching in Special Education Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Majoring in Education with a focus on Special Education

**Jonathan Turner Banking and Finance Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Pursuing a career in Banking or Finance

**Kathy Locraft Scholarship for Graphic Arts**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Pursuing a career in Graphic Arts

**Krista Marie Sellars Memorial Scholarship**

- Must graduate from Land O' Lakes, Sunlake, River Ridge or Wiregrass Ranch High School
- Show evidence of financial need
- Minimum of 2.5 unweighted GPA
- Demonstrate a positive contribution to their school and/or community with a minimum of 50 community service hours
- **Separate Essay:** Who is the hero in your life and why or life and why or how have they impacted your life?

**Martha's Family in Education Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Must be a child of a Pasco County Schools Employee

**Mary and Bob Sierra Family Foundation Scholarship**

- Graduating Senior from any Pasco County public high school
- Student must show evidence of financial need
- No specific education/career path is specified
- Minimum 3.2 GPA un-weighted (provide weighted and un-weighted GPA's)
- Minimum ACT score – 27 or SAT score – 1170 (or 1170 without writing)
- Maintain a minimum 3.2 GPA in college/university to receive scholarship funds
- **Separate Essay:** Write a personal statement about the most character-building experience in your life And explain the influence that this experience has had on you.

**Mary and Bob Sierra Family Foundation Community College Scholarship (Two Year Scholarship)**

- Graduating Senior From any Pasco County Public High School
- Student must show evidence of financial need
- Minimum of 3.2 unweighted GPA
- Must have community service hours or be employed
- Must attend a community college or trade/technical school after graduation
- **Separate Essay:** Please describe what challenges and obstacles have you overcome in your quest to graduate from high school and attend college?

**Mary and Bob Sierra Family Foundation Vocational/Trades Career Certification Scholarship**

- Graduating Senior from any Pasco County Public High School
- Student must show evidence of Financial need
- Student must be pursuing a Vocational or Trade Certificate
- Must currently work at least 10 hours per week
- **Separate Essay:** Please describe what challenges and obstacles you have overcome in your quest to graduate from high school and how will this scholarship help you continue to reach your goals?

**Meghan E. Grey Scholarship for the Arts**

- Pasco County Schools Graduating Senior
- Must pursue a degree in the Arts, Dance or Theater

**Mrs. Ray L. Brickman Memorial Scholarship for Future Educators**

- Must graduate from Hudson, River Ridge, Gulf, Mitchell or Land O' Lakes High School
- Demonstrate School and Community Service through volunteerism , committee or club involvement
- Minimum of 3.5 unweighted GPA
- Major in the field of Education

**Pasco County Farm Bureau Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Must have a family member that is a Farm Bureau Member
- Must Show interest in pursuing a degree in agriculture or agriculture-related field

**Pasco Safety Town Self Improvement Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Project Turnaround Student

**Philip J. Passantino Health Education Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Student must show evidence of financial need
- Minimum of 100 Community Service Hours
- Pursuing studies in a healthcare field
- Minimum of a 3.0 unweighted GPA
- **Special Essay:** Please explain why you wish to pursue a healthcare career and why you selected this part of the healthcare field to study versus any other.

**Rising Community Scholar Award**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Must currently be in the Take Stock in Children Program

**Robert A. Crockford Memorial Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Pursue a degree in Automotive Engineering/Technology or Building Construction Management
- Minimum 2.75 Unweighted GPA
- Demonstrate school and community service through volunteerism, committee, club involvement or athletics
- **Separate Essay:** What or who has inspired you to choose a degree in either the automotive or construction industry?

**Scotty Vanlandingham Memorial Scholarship**

- Must be a Graduating Senior
- Must be going into the welding profession
- Minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA
- **Separate Essay:** Why do you feel Trade Careers are important?

**Skilled Trades Scholarship Honoring Bill Kraus and Frank Hoague**

- Must be a Pasco County Schools Graduating Senior
- Must be attending Trade School or pursuing an education in a Trade

**Stacy Garcia Scholarship for Visual Arts**

- Must be a Pasco County Schools Graduating Senior
- Must be pursuing a career in Visual Arts

**Suncoast Credit Union Scholar Scholarship**

- Must be a Graduating Senior
- Must attend Post-Secondary Education in Florida
- Minimum of a 2.5 unweighted GPA
- Must not be a family member of a Suncoast Credit Union Employee

**The BIR Future Educator Scholarship**

- Must be a graduating senior from Gulf High School or River Ridge NTA Graduate
- Show evidence of financial need
- Major in the field of education

**The Pasco Council of Chambers Scholarship**

- Pasco County Public Schools Graduating Senior
- Minimum of a 3.0 unweighted GPA
- Show a minimum of 75 hours of community service
- Must pursue a career in business

**Youth Leadership Pasco Scholarship**

- Be a graduate of Youth Leadership Pasco