

The Open Door Grant Program was created to incentivize current and future workers to enroll in career and technical education that leads to a credential or certificate. Eligible students can receive up to a maximum award equal to the amount needed to cover 100% of tuition and fees, exams, books, and related materials required for eligible programs **after** all other state and federal financial aid is applied. Valid for the 2024-2025 school year.

Eligible programs:

- Accounting Operations
- Administrative Office Specialist
- Advanced Manufacturing & Production Technology
- Automotive Collision Technology Technician
- Baking & Pastry Arts
- Cloud Computing & Virtualization
- CNC Production Specialist
- Correctional Officer (BRTP)
- Computer Systems & Information Technology
- Diesel Systems Tech. 1
- Diesel Systems Tech. 2
- Heating, Ventilation, Air-conditioning/Refrigeration (HVAC/R)
- Master Automotive Service Technology 1
- Master Automotive Service Technology 2
- Medical Assisting
- Patient Care Technician
- Pharmacy Technician
- Phlebotomy
- Practical Nursing
- Professional Culinary Arts & Hospitality
- Veterinary Assisting
- Welding Technology
- Welding Technology - Advanced
- IET("P3") – Professional Culinary Arts
- IET("P3") – HVAC/R

Information:

- ✓ Students must meet Florida residency requirements per state statute for college admission;
- ✓ Students must be actively enrolled and attending in one of the eligible programs after the drop/add period in order for funds to be applied;
- ✓ Only one application per school year is required;
- ✓ Funds are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis as long as funding is available;
- ✓ Returning/current students and self-paying students are given priority for Open Door Grant awards;
- ✓ Students who have funding through other grant, scholarship, or sponsorship sources may not be eligible;
- ✓ Students not in good standing, or who withdraw from the eligible program, may not be eligible for future payment period disbursements;
- ✓ Social Security number and other personally identifiable information requested is required by the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) at the Florida Department of Education.

Please complete the 2024-2025 Open Door Grant application in order to be considered for the Open Door Grant. Incomplete applications will NOT be considered. At this time funding is only available for the 2024-2025 school year.

Please complete the following – Incomplete applications will not be processed. Return completed applications to the Financial Aid Office. Please allow up to two weeks for processing.

LEGAL NAME: _____
First Middle Initial Last

DOB: ____/____/____ **GENDER:** ____ **LAST 4 SS#:** _____
mm/dd/yyyy

ETHNICITY (please circle one): American Indian Asian Black Hispanic Multiracial White

PROGRAM: _____ **FIRST DAY OF CLASS:** _____

Were you born before January 1, 2001? YES NO

Do you currently live with a parent/guardian? YES NO

Do you have children? YES NO How many of them are 12 years old or younger? _____

I have received some or all of my funding from the following (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pell Grant | <input type="checkbox"/> Bright Futures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CareerSource Central Florida | <input type="checkbox"/> I am self-paying for the program and/or have Florida Prepaid. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Benefits – Chapter? _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsoring Employer/Agency: _____ | |

While completing the FAFSA for the 2024/2025 school year is not a requirement for the Open Door Grant, this grant can only be awarded after all federal and state grants are applied and should not overlap.

Please initial next to ONE of the following:

- _____ I have already completed the FAFSA and I received enough Pell to pay for my tuition and fees;
- _____ I have already completed the FAFSA for this school year and still have a balance owed;
- _____ I have not completed the FAFSA for this school year, but I plan to;
- _____ I will NOT be completing the FAFSA for the 2024/2025 school year.

Read and initial ALL of the statements below:

- _____ I hereby certify that the information contained within this application is true and complete.
- _____ I understand that if I am found to have provided false, or misleading information on this application, this request may be denied and could jeopardize future requests for scholarships.
- _____ I understand that award amounts may vary and this is a first-come, first served scholarship and there is no guarantee that it will be available in the future.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____