



September 1, 2020

Dear CHARLES D RICHARDSON:

The Florida Department of Education has reviewed your renewal information and has determined that you are ineligible for continuation of your Florida Bright Futures Scholarship for the 2020-21 academic year. The reason(s) for your ineligibility is (are) listed below.

**NO LONGER ELIGIBLE TO USE ONE TIME RESTORATION OPPORTUNITY  
STUDENT DID NOT EARN REQUIRED CREDIT HOURS TO RENEW**

Students participating in the University of Florida's Innovation Academy's (IA) spring/summer cohort class may use fall 2020 grades and hours to restore their scholarships. This opportunity is only for students who did not meet renewal requirements at the end of the IA's summer term due to grade point average (GPA) only during their first year of funding. Please note, if your scholarship is restored using this one-time only restoration opportunity, you must thereafter meet **BOTH** GPA and hours in order to renew the scholarship. If both requirements are not met, the scholarship will be terminated and no additional restoration opportunity will be available.

If you have not earned the required GPA and/or hours, or GPA as outlined above, to restore your scholarship by the end of the fall 2020, you may apply to utilize your one-time only restoration during a subsequent renewal period, any summer or fall term. For information regarding restoration, see Chapter 3 of the Bright Futures Student Handbook at <https://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAidsg.org/PDF/BFHandbookChapter3.pdf>.

Fall 2020 grades and hours must be reported to the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) by the University of Florida (UF) for spring/summer cohort students participating in the Innovation Academy at UF. For coursework earned at an institution other than UF, please send the fall 2020 courses to the UF registrar's office via an official transcript.

You may continue to view your status online on your Financial Aid Recipient History (FARH) screen. To log in to your FARH screen, go to the OSFA website at [www.FloridaStudentFinancialAidsg.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAidsg.org).

We recommend that you contact the financial aid office at your postsecondary institution to:

- Verify your GPA or earned hours reported by your postsecondary institution are correct. The OSFA will review any updated record and post confirmation of your eligibility status;
- Exercise your right to an institutional appeal. You must do so within 30 days from the date of this correspondence or the deadline set by your postsecondary institution, whichever is later. Institutional appeals must be filed with the financial aid office at the institution you were attending when the illness or other emergency occurred; and
- Obtain information about other scholarship opportunities.

For further information or assistance, you may contact OSFA via email at [OSFA@fldoe.org](mailto:OSFA@fldoe.org) or call Customer Service at 888-827-2004.

Sincerely,

The Bright Futures Scholarship Program  
Office of Student Financial Assistance

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