



Coke Florida Refreshing Minds Scholarship

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To be eligible, students must:

- Currently be a high school senior residing in a Path to Prosperity priority zip code within the Coke Florida service area;
- Meet all qualification criteria of the Pathway to Prosperity Scholarship Program, including:
 - Reside in a Path to Prosperity priority zip code;
 - Considered economically disadvantaged (see Student Information Form for criteria); and
 - Be a Florida resident for at least one year with a valid Social Security Number.

- **Submit all application requirements, including:**

- Letter of recommendation from a mentor, career coach, teacher, or other school official
- Typed essay/reflection not to exceed 250 words:

Please describe how receiving a **Coke Florida Refreshing Minds ScholarshipSM** will impact your future aspirations. Your essay will be scored based on your responses to the following:

- *What does this scholarship mean to you;*
 - *Highlight any adversity or challenges you have overcome;*
 - *Your vision, dreams and goals for the future;*
 - *What has participation in your community partner organization meant to you; and*
 - *Any unique information that would distinguish you from other applicants.*
- Letter of acceptance to a Florida public university, college, technical or vocational school. Students meeting all other eligibility but awaiting acceptance to a qualified Florida institution may also apply. After the application process closes, students will be given a grace period to submit the required documentation. An application will be considered complete upon submission of an acceptance letter to any Florida public post-secondary institution prior to the closing of the selection period; and
- Completed FPCF Student Information Form and Addendum (Questions 1-8), including documentation confirming at least one year of Florida residency and proof of meeting economically disadvantaged criteria (See Question #7 of the Addendum)

Please submit your application and all requirements no later than **January 31, 2026.**

FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE FOUNDATION
STUDENT INFORMATION FORM



Instructions: Please complete all applicable sections and return the Student Information Form with any requested supporting documents as instructed on the Scholarship Application Requirements section.

Scholarship ID (For Florida Prepaid Use Only):

SECTION I – STUDENT INFORMATION

Social Security Number	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)	Current Grade Level
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Full Legal Name

Last Name	First	Middle
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Mailing Address

Street Address

City	State	Zip Code
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Contact Information

Phone Number	Email Address
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SECTION II – PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Relationship to Student

Full Legal Name

Last Name	First	Middle
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Mailing Address

Street Address

City	State	Zip Code
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Contact Information

Phone Number	Email Address
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SECTION III – FLORIDA RESIDENCY INFORMATION

The student is required to be a Florida Resident to qualify for a Florida Prepaid College Foundation Scholarship.

Please attach one of the following documents:

- Recent report card demonstrating student attendance at a Florida school for at least one year. Please provide your final report card from the previous school year and your most recent report card from the current school year.
- Florida Driver's License of student or parent/guardian, issued at least one year prior to this application.

SECTION IV – AFFIRMATION

By signing below, I/we confirm that the provided information for this scholarship is accurate and that the student commits to being crime-free and drug-free for the duration of this scholarship. Further, I/we agree to the terms and conditions of the [Florida Prepaid College Program Master Contract](#) and the Florida Prepaid College Foundation, including the completion of an annual student survey.

Print Student Name:

Print Parent/Guardian Name:

Student Signature:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:

Date:

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

The Florida Prepaid College Foundation offers a variety of scholarship programs, each with unique qualification criteria. The requested information is specific to this scholarship opportunity.

1. What school is the student currently attending?

2. When does the student anticipate attending a vocation/technical institution, college or university?

Semester

Year

Yes
 No

3. Will the student be the first in their family to complete high school or attend college?

Yes
 No

4. Has the student chosen a vocation/technical institution, college or university to attend? **If yes,**

a) Please provide the name of the institution:

b) Has the student applied to attend the institution? Check the status below.

Plan to Apply **Applied** **Accepted**

Yes
 No

5. Does the student anticipate pursuing a specific degree or career path? Examples include STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Math), Medical, Business, Education, etc. **If yes,**

a) Please provide the name of the degree or career path the student intends to pursue:

Yes
 No

6. Does the student currently engage with a mentor? **If yes,**

a) Please provide the Mentor/Organization: _____

b) Does the student intend to keep working with a mentor? **Yes** **No**

Yes
 No

7. Does the student's family qualify for one of the following benefit programs?

- Medicaid
- SNAP Benefits
- TANF
- HUD "Very Low Income" (Based on county income limit qualifications)
- Free/Reduced Lunch Program (Based on individual income qualifications)

If yes, please provide supporting documentation for the eligibility (ex. copy of Form 1040 Tax Return) or receipt of benefits (ex. copy of enrollment form/card listing student's name).

- **Note: If qualification is free/reduced lunch at a Title I school (where everyone receives free/reduced lunch, regardless of income), please also attach the most recent tax records.**

Yes
 No

8. Has the student been awarded or applied for other scholarships? **If yes,**

a) List scholarship name, issuer and amount:



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Applicant Essay

Prepare a 250-words or less essay / reflection that addresses:

- What this scholarship would mean to you;
- Highlight any adversity or challenges you have overcome;
- Your vision, dreams and goals for the future;
- What has participation in your local Boys & Girls Clubs meant to you; and
- Any unique information that would distinguish you from other applicants.

Your essay should be original and should not feature the use of an AI tool.

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About Coke Florida:

Coca-Cola Beverages Florida, LLC (Coke Florida) is a family-owned business that serves 21 million consumers across 47 Florida counties and includes the major metropolitan markets of Jacksonville, Miami, Orlando, and Tampa. The company manufactures, sells, distributes, warehouses, and merchandises over 600 products of The Coca-Cola Company and other partner companies. Coke Florida is the sixth largest Coca-Cola bottler in the United States, a certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), one of the largest Black-owned businesses in the United States, and one of the largest minority-owned businesses in Florida. In 2023, the company was named a US Best Managed Company by Deloitte Private and The Wall Street Journal for a second consecutive year. Coke Florida was founded in 2015 and is headquartered in Tampa, Florida.

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