Higher Education
Opportunity Scholarship
Our Focus

• What is the HEO scholarship?
• Selection process
• Award and financial obligations
• Eligibility requirements
• HEO scholarship drawing
• Receiving the benefit
What is the “HEO”? 

• Opportunity for tuition assistance toward an undergraduate education at the University of Florida 
  – If a student is NOT accepted to UF, the HEO will pay for attendance at a public Florida community or state college
Scholarship Award

- Matriculation fees for a maximum of 132 credit hours that may be reduced by completed college hours
  - All completed courses (passed or failed) and withdrawals are totaled in the count of credit hours
What is the Matriculation Fee?

• Actual instruction cost for enrollment as an admitted, degree-seeking student
Per Semester Award Criteria

• In-state matriculation fees for up to 12 credit hours during the fall and spring and 6 credit hours over the course of the entire summer semesters

• The HEO payment amount is determined by the following factors:
  – Florida Prepaid College Plan
  – Florida Bright Futures Scholarship
  – Date of matriculation
Fee Structure: UF

- In Fall 2019, the HEO covered ~70% of the fees up to 12 credit hours if a student did not have BF.
- HEO pays only the matriculation fees.

### UF In-State Fees

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UF HEO Payment Chart

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<th>HEO Pays per Credit Hour</th>
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Fee Structure: Santa Fe College

- In Fall 2019, the HEO covered ~73% of the fees up to 12 credit hours if a student did not have BF
- Fees at other community or state colleges may vary

### SFC In-State Fees Fall 19

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Selection Criteria
HEO Selection Criteria

• To be considered for selection, the parent must submit a completed HEO Application to Training and Organizational Development by the deadline date, which can be found on the HEO website.

• Student must apply for admission to the University of Florida by the admissions application deadline.
HEO Selection Criteria

• Process of admissions to UF is separate from the HEO Selection
  – Application to UF does not automatically enter a child’s name into the drawing
  – Selection for HEO does not guarantee admission to UF
HEO Selection Criteria

• Each eligible full-time TEAMS employee may submit one student’s name per year

• More than one full-time TEAMS employee may enter the same eligible student’s name for consideration in this program
HEO Selection Criteria

- A new HEO application must be submitted each year for each student, if the student is not selected.
- Employee may enter a different student’s name in subsequent years as long as the eligibility requirements are met.
Scholarship Eligibility
Eligibility- Employee

- Full-time employee upon selection and at the start of each semester
- Only available to TEAMS employees
Eligibility- Student

• Received a high school diploma before the date of entry into the university.
• No older than age 26
Dependency Status

• Student must be the natural, adopted, step, foster, or any other child for which legal guardianship can be documented

• Documentation may be requested
Semester Eligibility

- Parent must be a full-time TEAMS employee at the start of each semester
- GPA must be 2.75 or above each semester
- Age and dependency eligibility criteria must continue to be met
Selection Drawing
HEO Selection Drawing

• Every March, a public drawing will be held to select 150 names from the pool of eligible HEO applicants to receive the scholarship

• All eligible HEO applicants will be given appropriate notice of the date, time, and location of the drawing
Accepting the Scholarship

• The 150 students who are selected to receive the HEO Scholarship must complete and return an HEO Acceptance Form

• The HEO funding for those selected begins each fall semester
Receiving the Scholarship

• Each semester, HEO participants will be required to verify their status via a web form

• The Education Coordinator will use the web form information to verify student’s eligibility and to forward payment to the appropriate school
Important Date

• Higher Education Opportunity Scholarship application deadline

• University of Florida admissions application deadline

November 1st
Please contact the Education Coordinator at (352) 273-2646 or v.ford@ufl.edu