# 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 Fall 19

Matriculation	\$149.24
Capital	
Improvement	\$6.76
Trust Fund	
<b>Student Financial</b>	\$5.25
Aid	
Technology	\$5.25
Activity and	\$19.06
Service	
Athletic	\$1.90
Health	\$15.81
Transportation	\$9.44
Access	
Total	\$212.71



### UF HEO Payment Chart

HEO Pays per Credit Hour	Scholarship Type
\$149.24	No Bright Futures Scholarship
<b>\$0</b>	100% Bright Futures Scholarship <mark>\$212.71</mark>
<b>\$0</b>	75% Bright Futures Scholarship <mark>\$159.33</mark>



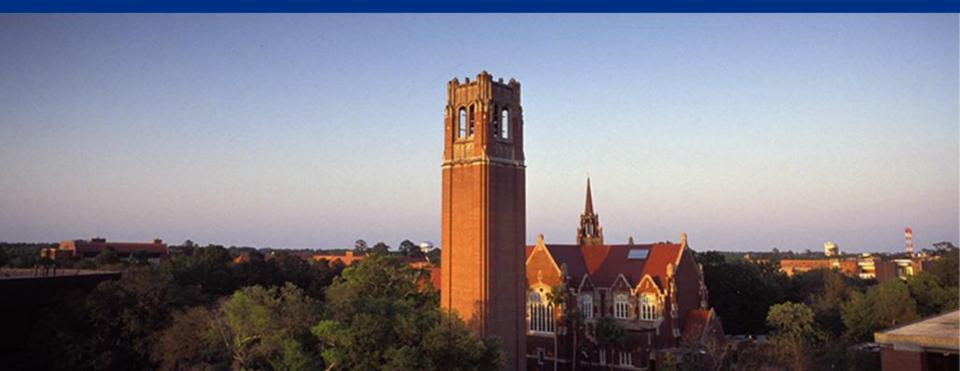
## Fee Structure: Santa Fe College

- 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		
Matriculation	\$77.98	
Capital Improvement	\$8.66	
<b>Financial Aid</b>	\$3.83	
Student Activities	\$7.80	
Technology	\$3.50	
Access	\$2.00	
Transportation	\$3.00	
Total	\$106.77	



# 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.



- 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



- 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



- 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



# 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 1<sup>st</sup>

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

