CENTRAL FLORIDA FOUNDATION

2019 FOARD AWARD

Information and Criteria Sheet

Foard Award On-line Application Now Open!



Applications are due on or before February 15th.

You must be in the top 10% of the graduating class and nominated for this scholarship. If interested, see your guidance counselor for more details on how to apply.

~~~ONE \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE AWARDED~~~

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE FOARD AWARD?

Graduating senior high school students attending DeLand High School who meet the following criteria:

- Applicant's cumulative weighted GPA must be among the school's top 10 percent based on class rank compiled at the end of the 1st semester of their senior year. This is a qualification with no additional weight.
- Applicant must demonstrate evidence of diverse public service, such as volunteer service, community service or service to one's religious community making the world a better place. This is the single most important criteria.
- Applicant must demonstrate evidence of financial need as a limitation to achieving the student's goals.

HOW DO I APPLY?

To access the application, follow these steps:

- Go to <u>MyScholarship</u>
- Click "Create New Account" and follow the instructions
- Once logged in, type "**FOARD**" in the box labeled "Access Code" to the right
- "Click Enter Code"
- Click the blue APPLY button
- Complete all required fields and click on "Submit Application" when done

Note: You may "Save Application" in order to go back to your application at a later time after starting it.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- **Students** are nominated by a school faculty or staff member and receive a link to the on-line application from the nominator along with an access code to gain access to the application.
- As part of the application, students will enter two third-party e-mail addresses in the on-line tool. An e-mail address must be provided for the following people:
 - 1. The Nominator: The person who nominated the student for the scholarship; and

2. The Recommender: A person who can provide a letter of recommendation supporting the student's experience with and/or commitment to public service.

Both the nominator and recommender will receive two e-mails: one from the student and one from the Central Florida Foundation with instructions on how to complete the on-line nomination form.

- All eligible applications will be reviewed and considered by a Foard Award Selection Committee.
- Finalists will be invited to an in-person panel interview to discuss their commitment to public service and career goals.
- The Foard Award Selection Committee will make its final decision immediately following the interviews and the Foard Award recipient will be announced during the Senior Awards Ceremony.

(Please note: The final award recipient must provide a copy of an official acceptance letter for the college or university that he or she plans on attending prior to the official distribution of award funds.)

HOW IS THE APPLICANT SELECTED TO RECEIVE THE FOARD AWARD?

The Foard Award Selection Committee is comprised of five members who are approved annually by the Central Florida Foundation. The Committee is comprised by members of the Deland community. Applications are reviewed competitively, and supported by a personal interview with each finalist. Public announcement of the recipient of the Foard Award will be made at the annual scholarship ceremony held by DeLand High School.

WHAT IS THE FOARD AWARD?

The Foard Award is a scholarship fund established in memory of Betty Foard Hutchings, known as "Miss Foard" to three generations of students at DeLand High School and revered for her devoted service to the school and the wider community. The Foard Award is an annual scholarship given to a graduating student from DeLand High School who is nominated for academic excellence and public service commitment. Award recipients are selected based on criteria developed by the Foard Award Selection Committee, which is comprised of members of the DeLand community who are approved annually by the Central Florida Foundation.

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