

Bright Futures provides an appeal process for students who do not meet academic progress requirements for renewal. Exceptions may be made when students fall below the minimum grade point average and/or credit hours required for a state award. Appeals may be filed when a student does not meet academic progress requirements due to one of two circumstances: verifiable illness or circumstance beyond student's control. The appeal documents must present a clear connection between the illness or emergency and the student's poor academic performance.

**Student Information**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's SFSC ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Appeal Information****Scholarship for which you are requesting the evaluation:**

- Florida Bright Futures Academic Scholarship (3.0 min GPA)
- Florida Bright Futures Medallion Scholarship (2.75 min GPA)
- Florida Bright Futures Gold Seal Scholarship (2.75 min GPA)

**Renewal requirements for each scholarship listed:**

- 12 credit hours earned for each term paid if enrolled full-time
- 9 credit hours earned for each term paid if enrolled  $\frac{3}{4}$  time
- 6 credit hours earned for each term paid if enrolled  $\frac{1}{2}$  time

**Requested Forms**

Failure to provide appropriate and complete documentation will result in the denial of your Appeal.

## 1. Statement Letter

- The letter must clearly identify the verifiable illness or extenuating circumstance beyond your control that prevented you from meeting the minimum grade point average and/or credit hours required.

## 2. Documentation

- Provide date-specific documentation to substantiate your written statement.
- The date must be clearly identified on the documentation and must relate to the specific illness or emergency discussed in your letter.

➤ **By signing below, the student acknowledges and confirms that the above is complete and correct.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Student's Name\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*\*\*Submission of the Bright Futures Eligibility Appeal does not take the place of the Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Appeal\*\*\***

**Please submit all documents to:** SFSC Financial Aid Office  
600 West College Drive, Building B, Avon Park, FL 33825  
**OR** E-mail: FinancialAid@southflorida.edu