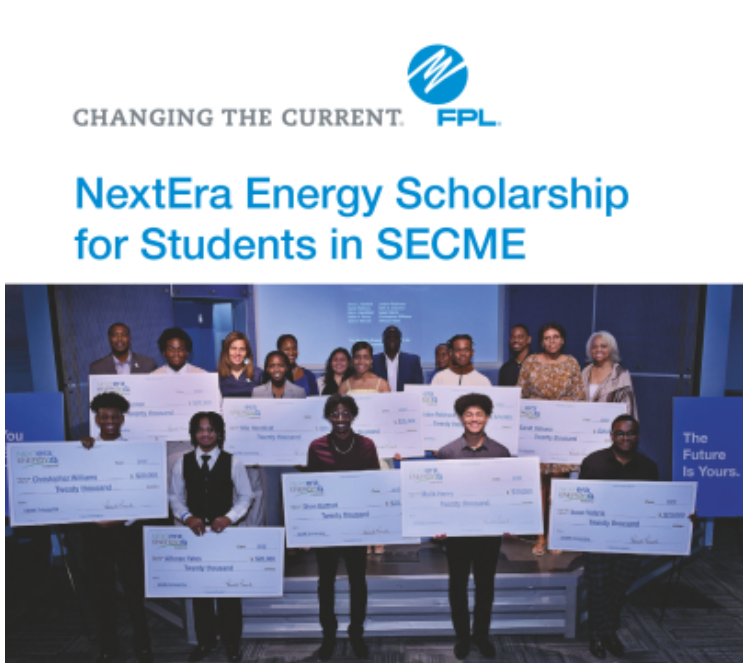


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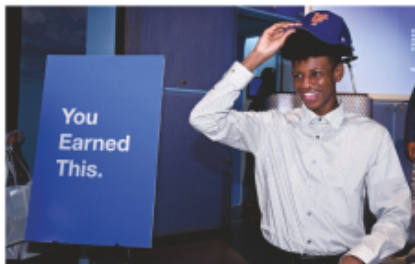
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NextEra Energy Scholarship for Students in SECME

As part of our commitment to STEM education, we will award 10 graduating high school seniors who have at least one year of experience in SECME (Science, Engineering, Communication, Mathematics, and Enrichment) with a scholarship up to \$20,000



The reward will be \$5,000 per year, renewable for up to three years or until a bachelor's degree is earned, whichever occurs first. Please see detailed eligibility requirements in the blue box (right).

FPL is committed to supporting our communities to help make them better places to live, work and raise a family. One way we do this is by supporting education programs that enrich students' experiences, as it relates to science and math programs, and which many times help break down barriers to opportunity. This scholarship will help further our state's future leaders as they pursue a higher education.

For more information please contact:
nexteraenergy@scholarshipamerica.org

FPL.com/education

To apply:

Visit fpl.com/education

Timeline:

- » Scholarship opens: Nov. 27, 2023
- » Scholarship closes: April 1, 2024
- » Winners announced: May 2024

Eligibility requirements:

- » Identify as diverse in ethnic background.
- » Be a high school senior who has been in a SECME program in one of the following Florida counties: Brevard, Broward, Escambia, Flagler, Hendry, Manatee, Miami Dade, Palm Beach, Seminole or Volusia.
- » Have at least one year of involvement in a SECME program in high school by the end of senior year.
- » Have a minimum unweighted grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale (or its equivalent).
- » Plan to enroll in full-time undergraduate study at an accredited two- or four-year college or university for the entire upcoming academic year.

Selection criteria:

The consideration of a 2,000-character essay, academic performance, community service, participation in school and community activities, work experience, a statement of career and educational goals and objectives, unusual personal or family circumstances (optional), and an online recommendation completed by SECME club sponsor, teacher or counselor.

Essay topic:

Describe how SECME has impacted your life and your decision to pursue a college degree or further your education. Please include how many hours per week you spent on SECME activities and a standout experience you had in SECME.

Awards:

- » Awards are renewable up to three years or until a bachelor's degree is earned, whichever occurs first, on the basis of a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and full-time enrollment.
- » Awards are for undergraduate study only. Awards can be used for any education-related expenses including but not limited to tuition, room and board, books and required educational fees.

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