

Eligibility Requirements:

- Students must live in Western Hendry or Glades County and have attended LaBelle High School for at least two years.
- Students must have graduated from LaBelle High School with a minimum High School GPA of 2.0. (Certificate of Completion will not make students eligible for Curtis Scholarship funding).
- Students must take advantage of the Curtis Scholarship during the academic year (fall or spring semester) immediately following their graduation.
- **All applicants for the Curtis Scholarship must :**
 - a. Apply to Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW)
 - b. Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by **May 1st** of their senior year and every year while attending FSW. If selected for verification students must submit all required documents and complete the process.
 - c. Submit the Curtis Scholarship Intent Form
- Students who receive Federal Financial Aid are eligible for Curtis Scholarship funds to make up any difference in approved costs not covered by Pell grants.

Second year eligibility:

- a. Requires that students maintain Standards of Academic Progress (minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA and completion of 2/3 of attempted credits) at Florida SouthWestern State College.
- b. Must complete and verify submission of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by **May 1st** of each year at Florida SouthWestern State College. Proof of submission can be verified by submitting the Student Aid Report (SAR) that you receive after completion of FAFSA.

Documents can be submitted:

- **Via email to:** Ashley.Rollins@FSW.edu **OR**
- **US Postal Services or hand delivered to:**
Florida SouthWestern State College – Hendry/Glades Center
1092 East Cowboy Way
LaBelle, FL 33935

Scholarship Awards:

1. Curtis Scholarship funds are awarded to full-time, degree seeking students carrying at least 12 credits hours per semester.
2. Scholarships will cover full tuition, fees and one set of text books per semester.
3. Provided minimum GPA requirements are maintained, the Curtis Scholarship may be granted for up to five semesters or 60 credit hours.
4. Eligible students who come to Florida SouthWestern State College with acceptable college credit hours via dual enrollment, eligibility requirements must be met and the total number of credit hours paid for by the Curtis funds will not exceed 60.
5. Curtis scholarships may be used to take classes from all Florida SouthWestern State College locations, including FSW online.
6. The number of scholarships awarded each year will be limited to the money available from the Curtis Scholarship Endowed Fund. In the event that funds available are not sufficient to award scholarships to all eligible applicants, funds will be allocated as follows:
 - a. Qualifying second year students will be funded first.
 - b. Qualifying first year applicants will be chosen according to High School GPA, beginning with the highest and descending until all available funds are disbursed.

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