



The **Sarasota Retired Educators Association (SREA)** awards scholarships in the amount of \$500-\$1000 (depending on funds raised), to graduating high school seniors and repeat recipients continuing their college education, who wish to become teachers in Florida Public or Private schools.

Applications are submitted to the local Scholarship Chair. Eligible candidates are interviewed in February/March. Winners are selected in March with funding that begins in time for the fall term of college.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FUTURE FLORIDA TEACHERS

It is impossible to estimate the contribution a great teacher makes to our nation, to society, and to the students taught during a lifetime of devoted service to the teaching profession. Unfortunately, there exists, and always has existed, a severe shortage of great teachers. Sarasota Retired Educators Association (SREA) has established funds to assist young people who are interested in teaching, but unable to fulfill this goal without financial assistance.

ELIGIBILITY

Must be a GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR IN 2022, OR A PREVIOUS YEAR'S RECIPIENT WHO IS CURRENTLY ATTENDING COLLEGE.

Ability to relate to and work with people of all ages.

Academic aptitude and achievement.

Commitment to service, with special interest in teaching children and youth.

Economic need

Emphasis is placed on SAT and/or ACT scores. The minimum score for SAT is 1,000 or above (Reading and Math sections) or ACT is 22 or above.

Participation and leadership in school and community activities.

Poise and ability to communicate effectively.

There is no restriction as to sex, race, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, or size of school.

SREA adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

CONDITIONS

A scholarship is awarded to a high school graduating senior for one year, with a *possibility* of renewal in years to come, if the student maintains a satisfactory level of achievement. Satisfactory achievement is defined as a 3.0 grade point average with no failing grade in any subject.

Scholarship recipients may attend any accredited public or private community college, or a four-year college or university, provided that their programs are consistent with the goal of becoming a qualified teacher. The recipient will be expected to teach in a state accredited public or private school in Florida for at least one year, following graduation.

The amount of the scholarship shall be determined and granted annually by the Scholarship Committee and the Executive Board of Sarasota Retired Educators Association. Scholarships are currently \$500 - \$1,000 per year. The year for which the scholarship is granted shall be from July 1 to June 30 of the following year.

PROCEDURES FOR APPLYING

An application may be obtained from the school counselor or career center specialist in the local high school, or from a local unit (SREA) representative or website. A current completed application form (either hand-filled or preferably typed/word-processed) and a copy of the applicant's school transcript; including Freshman through first semester Senior high school years/College, with the ACT or SAT score, must be submitted to Sarasota Retired Educators Association. In the event the ACT/SAT scores are not printed on the school transcript, a student applying for this scholarship must send an official copy of these scores along with this application to be considered. This is to be done no later than the DEADLINE set by the Association.

Local Unit:

Sarasota Retired Educators Association
Local Scholarship Chair

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**Your application MUST be postmarked by February 4, 2022 and
received no later than February 11, 2022 !**