2018-2019 Best and Brightest Scholarship Types and Eligibility

Three scholarships are being offered for 2018/2019 under the Best and Brightest Teacher Scholarship Program.

Teachers are eligible for $6,000 if:
- Classified as a classroom teacher per Florida Statute 1012.01(2)(a)
- Evaluated as highly effective for 2017/2018, includes VAM (Not applicable for first year teachers)
- Scored at or above the 80th percentile on ACT or SAT at the time the assessment was taken
- Submitted an application along with required documentation to Personnel by November 1, 2018

Teachers are eligible for $1,200 if:
- Evaluated as highly effective for 2017/2018, includes VAM scores
- No application required
- Teachers can be eligible for both the $6,000 and $1,200 scholarships, if applied as referenced above and deemed eligible

Teachers are eligible for $800** if:
- Evaluated as effective for 2017/2018, includes VAM scores
- No application required

All teachers qualifying for the $6,000, $1,200 or $800 will be individually notified of their eligibility in January, 2019. Scholarships will be disbursed on or before April 1, 2019.

**If the number of eligible teachers statewide exceeds the total amount of the legislative appropriation, the Florida Department of Education will prorate the per-teacher scholarship amounts.