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**Deadline near for high school seniors, G.E.D. recipients to apply for FAPSC scholarships**

*Scholarships offer career options for many who would otherwise join 1.1 million seeking jobs in Florida*

**TALLAHASSEE, FL** – Feb. 21, 2011 – The application deadline for the “Hottest Jobs” Scholarship program for high school seniors and G.E.D. recipients is March 11, 2011.

With Florida’s jobless rate at 12 percent, one of the highest unemployment rates in the country, Florida high school seniors and G.E.D. recipients can choose another path and get assistance and training for a career in one of Florida’s hottest fields, such as computer technology, digital media, culinary arts, paralegal services and healthcare.

Scholarships range from \$1,000-\$5,000 to full tuition and can be used for programs ranging from short-term diplomas to four-year college degrees at participating career colleges in Florida.

“We’re proud to be part of the solution for those who are looking for careers in Florida,” says Wanda Minick, deputy director, Florida Association of Postsecondary Schools and Colleges (FAPSC).

FAPSC, in partnership with member schools and colleges throughout the state, offers these scholarships totaling more than \$1 million to students seeking to further their education at many of Florida’s leading private career schools and colleges.

“With more than 400 scholarships available, students can get assistance for training in a wide variety of Florida’s fastest-growing careers from the healthcare industry like surgical technologists and sonographers to computer science as network administrators programmers and technicians,” Minick says.

Visit [www.FAPSC.org](http://www.FAPSC.org) to download an application, find a list of participating institutions to contact directly, or e-mail us at [scholarship@FAPSC.org](mailto:scholarship@FAPSC.org).

*The Florida Association of Postsecondary Schools and Colleges works on behalf of Florida’s 360 degree granting and 550 non-degree granting career schools and colleges. Licensed by the state, these schools educate and prepare over 379,000 students each year for employment in more than 200 occupational fields. For more information, visit [www.FAPSC.org](http://www.FAPSC.org)*