



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**From:** Denise M. Moloney  
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**Re:** Y.E.S. Scholarship Opportunity - 2017

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The Youth Education Services (Y.E.S.) program was incorporated in the State of Florida in 2002, to be used for charitable and education purposes to benefit the youth of Hernando County. The Y.E.S. program is now under the non-profit umbrella of the Hernando County Sheriff's Charities Inc., which became effective in September 2014.

The Hernando County Sheriff's Charities, Inc. – Youth Education Services Committee will be offering six (6) \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors in Hernando County.

The **Richard Buckingham Community Service Scholarships** will be awarded to three (3) students who have: (3 scholarships available at \$1,000 each)

- Volunteered a considerable number of hours with an organization in Hernando County
- Achieved at least a 2.0 grade point average
- Plan to enroll as a full time student in an accredited college, university or trade school.

The **"In Honor of Richard B. Nugent" Community Service Scholarships** will be awarded to three (3) students who have: (3 scholarships available at \$1,000 each)

- Volunteered a considerable number of hours with an organization in Hernando County
- Achieved at least a 2.0 grade point average
- Plan to enroll as a full time student in an accredited college, university or trade school for a public service position (i.e., law enforcement, fire fighter, school teacher).

A selection committee from the Youth Education Services Board of Directors will carefully review all applications and choose the winners. This year, the Scholarship Committee is asking each applicant to submit three (3) original completed copies for their review.

All information, flyers, and applications will be provided to all public and private high schools. For further information, contact the high school guidance offices or the Hernando County Sheriff's Office at 352-797-3660. A printable registration form is also available on our website at [www.hernandosheriff.org](http://www.hernandosheriff.org).

The application deadline is **Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.** No applications will be accepted after this date. All fully completed applications must be received by this date at the Hernando County Sheriff's Office at 18900 Cortez Boulevard. The winners will be notified by mail and requested to attend an awards ceremony on April 17, 2017 at the Hernando County Sheriff's Office to receive their scholarship.

#### **The Office of Sheriff:**

The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, and remains accountable to them.