



What is the Kovner Opportunity Scholarship?

The Kovner Opportunity Scholarship enables talented and ambitious public high school students in Palm Beach and Martin Counties to aspire to and to attend the nation's most challenging and selective 4-year colleges and universities.

High school students apply to this program in the spring of their junior year so that The Kovner Foundation, working in partnership with school guidance counselors, may provide one-on-one counseling and guidance through R&R Education Consultants during the college admissions process. R&R also provides support for Kovner Scholars and monitors their progress through their college years.

The Scholarship provides up to \$10,000 per year for four years towards the cost of full-time attendance at an accredited U.S. college or university for any area of study. Up to ten scholarships will be awarded in 2025.

Partner Schools: 2024-25

Dreyfoos School of the Arts

Martin County High School

South Fork High School

Suncoast Community High School

Who is eligible?

Students currently in their junior year in the partner schools who meet the following criteria may apply:

- Class rank: Top 15%
- Minimum GPA: 3.5 or above
- Financial need
- Citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States

What is the selection criteria?

Selection is a holistic process looking to create a cohort of scholars for whom character, learning and excellence are defining principles. The selection committee will consider each candidate's

- Ambition to succeed at a challenging college or university with preference given to students targeting out-of-state schools
- Scholastic achievement and potential
- Leadership and community service with special notice given to activities that were initiated and run by the student
- Entrepreneurship
- Personal maturity

How do I apply, what is the process, and when are scholarship recipients selected?

DO NOT USE SCHOOL EMAIL ADDRESS ON APPLICATION

The Kovner Opportunity Scholarship Application Timeline: 2025

January 6: Application available through The Kovner Foundation website

<https://www.thekovnerfoundation.org/> or directly at <https://app.smarterselect.com/programs/78080>

Application includes short answer and 2 essay questions

January 31: Initial Application deadline

February 21: Semi-Finalists notified

Application includes 2 essays (250-500 words), 2 teacher recommendations,

1 guidance counselor recommendation, official transcript

March 14: Semi-Finalist application deadline

April 15: Finalists notified

April 21-22: Finalist Interviews, Parental financial report submitted

April 23: Recipients announced

College Admissions Support

The Kovner Opportunity Scholarship program will

- Assist each scholar to identify prospective college choices
- Advise each scholar about college admissions and financial aid applications
- Advocate on the scholar's behalf with colleges

About The Kovner Foundation

Through the Kovner Foundation, Bruce and Suzie Kovner support organizations that promote excellence in the arts and education, initiatives that defend private enterprise and protect individual rights, and scholarly studies and research that strengthen American democratic principles.

About R&R Education Consultants

Since 1998, R&R Education Consultants have helped foundations and corporations create and administer college scholarships. R&R partner Roger Lehecka was an administrator at Columbia University for more than 30 years including 19 years as Dean of Students at Columbia College. R&R partner Ria Coyne taught in the Columbia English department and coordinated the Revson Fellowship Program.