

### Bright Futures Appeal Process

An appeal may be filed if a student's academic progress was affected by a verifiable illness or emergency beyond the student's control. Filing an appeal does not mean you are eligible to receive your Bright Futures award, therefore you must pay any institutional costs up front. An appeal will not be reviewed unless you have completed the **Appeal Form** and submitted all required documents.

The electronic Bright Futures appeal form can be completed on the Financial Aid website.

- The student should provide as much documentation as possible regarding the illness or emergency.
  - Supporting documentation may include, but is not limited to a physician's statement, accident report or other pertinent documents.
- The designated Financial Aid committee approves or denies the appeal based upon documentation provided by the student.
- The committee will notify the student of the appeal decision within 14 business days and the notification is sent to the student's Broward email account.
- The appeal decision is final and cannot be disputed.
- The State website will be updated with the decision if approved. The committee will only consider up to 2 appeals during a student's lifetime of enrollment at Broward College.