

FAFSA INFORMATION

The FAFSA is a Free Application for Federal Student Aid which includes federal grants, loans and work-study programs. The FAFSA is often required by colleges and universities to qualify for their financial aid.

Helpful Hints

- The FAFSA is completed with information from both the student and the parent
- In order to facilitate a speedy process, apply for a PIN (Personal Identification Number) on the FAFSA website no later than December of senior year
- Submit your FAFSA application as early as possible after January 1 of your senior year
- Early FAFSA information received by your college allows the college to give you first consideration for monies available
- The first F in “FAFSA” stands for “free”, it is not necessary to pay for assistance Use www.fafsa.gov not www.fafsa.com
- The FAFSA4caster (on the FAFSA website) provides students with an early estimate of their eligibility for federal student aid
- The Michigan deadline requires successful submission by midnight Central Daylight Time, March 1, 2012 ; The federal deadline is June 30, 2012
- Each college may have a different deadline so students are responsible to check for their colleges’ deadlines.
- Even when students are ineligible for federal aid, they should complete the FAFSA because they may be eligible for nonfederal aid from states and private institutions

Websites for more information/details:

www.fafsa.gov

www.studentaid.ed.gov