



# Financial Aid Cheat Sheet

**Students:**

Meet with your school College or Guidance Counselor.

Keep track of deadlines and submit documents on time.

Ask for assistance so you can get the help you need.

Ask if you qualify for application and test fee waivers.



## Don't Forget!!!

Seniors must be on track to fulfill the A-G requirements with a grade of C or better to be eligible for CSUs and UCs.

The ACT or SAT may be required. *(If taken more than once, the university will take the highest score.)*

### More information about...

**A-G**

<http://www.ucop.edu/agguide/a-g-requirements/>

**ACT**

<https://www.actstudent.org>

**SAT**

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat>

## College Application Due Dates for 2017-2018

### California State University (CSU)

October 1, 2017 through November 30, 2017

<http://www.csumentor.edu/>

### University of California (UC)

November 1, 2017 through November 30, 2017

<http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/>

### Selected Private University

October 1, 2017, ongoing depending on the University

<https://www.commonapp.org/>



### Scholarship Links

General Scholarships

<https://www.scholarships.com/>

African American Scholarships

<http://www.uncf.org/>

Asian American Scholarships

[http://apiasf.org/scholarship\\_apiasf.html](http://apiasf.org/scholarship_apiasf.html)

Latino Scholarships

<https://hsf.net/>

[www.latinocollegedollars.org](http://www.latinocollegedollars.org)

Foster Youth Scholarships

<https://chafee.csac.ca.gov/>

Scholarship = Free money

Grant = Free money

Loan = Pay back

## New Due Date and Requirements for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

**October 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019**

Students need a copy of their parent's 2015 tax information in order to complete the FAFSA forms and in order for colleges to gain a better idea of the family's financial aid needs. Please submit the FAFSA as soon as possible. See reverse side for more information and visit: <https://fafsa.ed.gov/>

## FAFSA Income Ceilings for the Cal Grant Program

Family Size	Cal Grant A and C	Cal Grant B
Six or more	\$101,000.00	\$ 55,500.00
Five	\$ 93,700.00	\$ 51,000.00
Four	\$ 87,400.00	\$ 45,900.00
Three	\$ 80,400.00	\$ 41,300.00
Two	\$ 78,500.00	\$ 36,700.00

Independent Student	Cal Grant A and C	Cal Grant B
Single, no dependent	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00
Married, no other dependents	\$36,700.00	\$36,700.00

### Note:

Community Colleges have *rolling admissions*, which means they will take students until the first week of enrollment.

Current high school students may attend Community College for free with high school counselor's approval.

## Changes to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) Process

On September 14, 2015, President Obama announced significant changes to the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* process that will impact millions of students. Starting with the 2017–18 application cycle, the following changes will be put in place:

**SUBMIT A FAFSA EARLIER:** Students will be able to submit a 2017–18 FAFSA as early as October 1, 2016, rather than beginning on January 1, 2017. The earlier submission date will be a permanent change, enabling students to complete and submit their FAFSAs as early as October 1 every year. (There is NO CHANGE to the 2016–17 schedule. The 2016–17 FAFSA became available January 1, 2016.)

**USE EARLIER INCOME AND TAX INFORMATION:** Beginning with the 2017–18 FAFSA, students will be required to report income and tax information from an earlier tax year. For example, on the 2017–18 FAFSA, students (and parents, as appropriate) will report their 2015 income and tax information, rather than their 2016 income and tax information.

Here’s a summary of key dates for submitting the FAFSA depending on when you plan to go to school:

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND COLLEGE FROM	YOU WILL SUBMIT THIS FAFSA	YOU CAN SUBMIT THE FAFSA FROM	USING INCOME AND TAX INFORMATION FROM
JULY 1, 2016 – JUNE 30, 2017	2016–17	JANUARY 1, 2016 – JUNE 30, 2017	2015
<b>JULY 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2018</b>	<b>2017–18</b>	<b>OCTOBER 1, 2016 – JUNE 30, 2018</b>	<b>2015</b>
JULY 1, 2018 – JUNE 30, 2019	2018–19	OCTOBER 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2019	2016

Resource: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/resources/2017-18-fafsa-process-changes-text>

For more information, please visit [StudentAid.gov/fafsa](http://StudentAid.gov/fafsa)

For more graduation and college resources, please visit <http://achieve.lausd.net/pcss>

