

Basic College Deadlines, FAFSA and Scholarship Info

College Deadlines:

***Early Decision Application Deadlines:** Submit any early applications due in November by the college deadline (varies).

This is for students who have a DEFINITE top choice college and want to apply early, basically making a **promise** to the college that if accepted and given a manageable financial aid package, they **will** attend that school, regardless of other offers.

College Application Fee Waived if processed before: _____ (varies by college)
College application fees add up fast. Many colleges waive this fee if students apply early (no extra commitment), online, or through a specific form. Make sure you research this and add it to your calendar!

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College Acceptance Decisions Due: May 1, 2019 for most programs

Check out bigfuture.collegeboard.org for a wealth of resources on college planning.

FAFSA (Financial Aid)

Aid Program	Deadline Information
Federal student aid	<p>To be considered for federal student aid for the 2018-2019 award year, you can complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) between October 1, 2017 and midnight Central Time, June 30, 2019. Any corrections or updates must be submitted by midnight Central Time, September 14, 2019.</p> <p>However, many states and colleges have earlier deadlines for applying for state and institutional financial aid. You can find your state's deadline at https://fafsa.ed.gov/deadlines.htm. Check with your college about its deadlines.</p> <p>Because of the variation in state and college deadlines, it is highly recommended that you fill out the FAFSA as soon as you can after October 1 to ensure that you do not miss out on available aid.</p>
State student aid	You can find state deadlines at fafsa.gov or on the paper or PDF FAFSA .
College or career school aid	Check the school's website or contact its <i>financial aid office</i> . School deadlines are usually early in the year (often in February or March).
Other financial aid	Some programs other than government or school aid require that you file the FAFSA. For instance, you can't get certain private scholarships unless you're eligible for a Federal Pell Grant—and you can't find out whether you're eligible for a Pell Grant unless you file a FAFSA. If the private scholarship's application deadline is in early to mid-January, you'll need to submit your FAFSA before that deadline.

If you have a Senior, file the FAFSA as soon as it's available so you don't miss out on anything. Apply for Financial Aid when you apply to the college and to all

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colleges that you apply to. Also make sure you contact the Financial Aid Officer of the school to see what they can offer you.

You have to fill out the FAFSA® every year you're in school in order to [stay eligible](#) for federal student aid.

Be sure to start your FAFSA applications as soon as you receive your family's tax information!

Check out these websites for very helpful information!

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa> and <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/financial-aid> for more info.

Scholarships

You may be able to use a grant or scholarship to help pay for college. Get information about these financial aid options and find out how to apply.

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/grants-scholarships>

******Remember to be in good communication with your college(s) of choice regarding requirements and deadlines to make sure you don't miss out on any of their important information******

Remember that the office and teachers need at least a few days' notice for filling out any paperwork that your college may need, such as transcript requests, recommendations, testing score information etc. Make sure to give them at least 2 weeks before the colleges' deadlines.

For any questions please make an appointment to help us serve you better.