

Federal Student Aid Training for Counselors and Mentors

Funding Education
Beyond High School

Academic Year
2019-2020





After the FAFSA



AGENDA

- FAFSA Completion Tool (for DATA reporting)
- Reviewing the Student Aid Report (SAR)
- Corrections
- Verification
- Professional judgment
- Cost of Attendance and Award letters
- Communication and establishing a relationship with the financial aid office



FAFSA Completion Tool

Available at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/about/data-center/student/application-volume/fafsa-completion-high-school>

- Data available by state or territory
- Report alphabetical by high school
- Shows number of completed and submitted Free Applications for Federal Student Aid (FAFSAs) for current and previous application cycles



Student Aid Report (SAR) Formats

- Paper SAR
- Paper SAR Acknowledgment
- E-mail Notification of SAR Processing



Corrections

Students should only correct information that was reported incorrectly when he or she completed the FAFSA

**Note - Demographic information must match exactly as reported on ApplyTexas;
Student Name, DOB, SSN, Home Address, etc.**



Submitting Corrections

- *Paper SAR
- *Online using Corrections on the Web
- Through the financial aid office

*Remember: Due to the new DRT security feature, students/parents will no longer be able to correct “ income” information transferred using the DRT tool



Correcting Tax Information

- Encourage families to submit updated tax information using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool
 - Not using process can make it more difficult for families to complete verification
 - Prior-Prior Tax feature reduces need to estimate
 - Implications of tax filing status to FAFSA



Verification

Process by which the U.S. Department of Education (ED) through the financial aid office confirms information provided by students and families on the FAFSA is accurate



Verification

- Students can be selected for verification by:
 - ED or college
- Items to be verified will vary
- Process is customized by ED, based on student responses to FAFSA questions



Professional Judgment

- Purpose
- Appropriate use
- Process



What is Cost of Attendance

Cost of Attendance

Dependent Student In-District / At Home*

● Tuition & fees	\$2,008
● Room & Board	2,610
● Books	2,074
● Transportation	3,056
● Miscellaneous	<u>3,056</u>
	\$12,804

Independent Student Out-of-District / Off-Campus*

● Tuition & fees	\$5,470
● Room & Board	8,356
● Books	2,074
● Transportation	3,056
● Miscellaneous	<u>3,056</u>
	\$22,012

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What is Financial Need?

COA minus EFC equal Financial Need

Cost of Attendance

- Expected Family Contribution

= Financial **NEED**



Review Your Award Letter

- Out of pocket expenses after financial aid
- Mix of grants and self-help aid
- Future award packages

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ACES Central Authentication Service (CAS)

Enter your Username and Password

Username:

Password:

Warn me before logging into other sites.

LOGIN clear

Former Students and Employees Log-in To ACES Instructions

1. If you remember your User ID and password, log-in to ACES in the spaces indicated in the Secure Access Box.
2. If you still cannot log-in to ACES, call the Help Desk at 210-485-0555.
3. Once you have signed in to ACES, click the link for Web Services located on the bottom left-hand side of the Home Tab page.

Welcome to ACES

ACES is a secure portal that provides students, staff, and faculty with access to various applications using a single sign-on. As an ACES user, you will have access to register for classes, financial aid information, email, library resources, and online courses. ACES will also provide you with the latest information of events and important news taking place within your college.

ACES Login Information

**First-time users only:
Your default password will be the
first two letters of your last name,
IN CAPS, followed by your birthdate
in MMDDYY format**

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Important Numbers

Helpdesk

NLC: 210-486-5777
NVC: 210-486-4777
PAC: 210-486-3777
SAC: 210-486-0777
SPC: 210-486-2777
District: 210-485-0555

Admissions and Records / Enrollment Services

NLC 210-486-5401
NVC 210-486-4700
PAC 210-486-3700
SAC 210-486-0200
SPC 210-486-2700



Check your ACES Portal

(Things to check)

- Verification Requirements
- Other required documentation
- SAP Status
- Awards
- Messages
- Email

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EAB Navigate



* Palo Alto College and Northwest Vista College students only – If this is your first time in college, click on the Navigate button to start your enrollment pathway.

* All other students – follow the Enrollment Checklist on this page

Enrollment Checklist

1. Transcript Status	complete	✓
2. Go FAARR Module	no record	
3. Test Prep Module	no record	
4. TSI Exam	pending 2 and 3	
5. Advising	pending above items	
6. Math Refresher	Not Applicable	
7. Reading/Writing Refresher	Not Applicable	

AlamoENROLL - How to Complete Your Enrollment

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Effective May 1, 2016 the Alamo Colleges is utilizing enhanced technology providing:

- real-time indication of completion and checkmarks, and removal of AlamoENROLL (AE) hold
- access to the modules that does not require use of Canvas or Pop-ups
- a new Test Prep module

REFRESH: In case the system times out and you do not see the checkmark after finishing the quiz or a link does not appear, refresh your page by clicking on the Start Here tab.

All other checklist processes remain the same:

Step 1: Transcript

Please allow 3-5 days for checkmark to appear for transcript processing. **You may proceed with items 2 and 3** prior to Transcript status showing complete.

Steps 2 & 3: GoFAARR and Test Prep Modules

- Click "Enroll" to activate module.
- Click "Incomplete" link to access the module content.
- Pass the quiz with a score of 6 or higher and the checklist will

Financial Aid Checklist

Aid Year 2017-2018

Requirements	Fund	Term/Period	Status
Financial Aid Reinstatement Request		Spring 2018	✓
Free Application for Federal Student Aid			✓
Students 2015 Tax Return			✓
Terms and Conditions			✓
Verification - FAFSA Data Review			✓
Verification Worksheet 2017-2018			✓

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Financial Aid Key Items

1. Verify your name, date of birth, and social security number are correct on your current ApplyTexas application. Inconsistent biographical data (name, date of birth, or social security number) between the FAFSA and the ApplyTexas must be corrected before Financial Aid eligibility can be determined (See [Enrollment Services](#) office or online [FAFSA](#).)
2. You must be admitted with your official transcript on file to be eligible for Financial Aid.
 - Verify on the Enrollment Checklist that #1. Transcript Status indicates "Complete".
 - If the status is "Incomplete" and your most recent transcript was submitted, contact your college's

Personal Information

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Please continue to monitor the
Department of Education Federal Student Aid
Financial Aid Toolkit
website

<https://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/training/materials.jsp>

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