

NAVIGATING THE POST-SECONDARY APPLICATION PROCESS



12th Grade Family Night

Agenda


- Welcome/Introductions
- College and Career Office Resources
- Admissions Overview and Timeline
- College Costs
- Financial Aid Basics
- Supporting Students Through the Process
- Q&A

Support and Guidance from the College Office

- 1:1 College and Career Advising
 - Counselor, Youth Leaders and Coaches
- College and Career Virtual Representative Visits
- College and Career Knowledge Workshops
- Parent Workshops:
 - Navigating the College Admissions Process
 - Financial Aid Night and Financial Aid Completion Meetings
- College Trips
 - Virtual campus tours and info sessions

12th Grade: Senior Timeline

September -November	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research and visit colleges• Finalize college list – begin college applications• Work on college essay
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students should submit <u>all</u> college and financial aid applications
January - February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scholarship Search• Visit schools
March - April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receive Acceptance Letters• Compare Financial Aid Award Letters
May 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• National Commitment Day- Submit Deposit



POST-SECONDARY
PATHWAYS, FEES,
AND DEADLINES

Post-Secondary Pathways

- College
 - Type of College or University:
 - Public, Private, or For-profit institutions
 - Degrees Offered:
 - Associate – 2 year or Bachelor – 4 year
- Alternative Pathways
 - Vocational Programs
 - Employment
 - New Settlement Programs: Success Program + Young Adult Opportunity Initiative

Application Fees

CUNY Application

- \$65 to apply to up to six schools
- Students eligible for opportunity programs can receive a fee waiver

SUNY Application

- \$50 to apply to each 4-year college
- Students eligible for opportunity programs can apply to up to seven colleges for free
- Most community colleges have free applications online

Common Application

- Fees vary based on college or university
- Students may qualify for a fee waiver

College & Financial Application Deadlines

- CUNY- Priority Deadline: October 28th, 2022
Regular Deadline: November 11th, 2022
- SUNY- Part 1 November 11th, 2022
Part 2 November 30, 2022
- Common App (Private Schools) - December 9th, 2022
- FAFSA: December 7th
- TAP: December 10th

COLLEGE COSTS

What fees should we keep in mind?
How much does college cost?

How Much Does College Cost?

“Sticker Price”

College Type	Average Total Cost of Attendance
CUNY Community College	\$10,000 (Tuition = \$4,800)
CUNY – Bachelor Degree Programs	\$13,000 (Tuition = \$6,930)
SUNY Community College	\$19,600 (Tuition = \$5,020)
SUNY – Bachelor Degree Programs	\$25,900 (Tuition = \$7,070)
Private Colleges	Range from \$20,000 to \$60,000

COLLEGE COMMITMENT AND HOUSING DEPOSIT

- May 1st: National Commitment Day
 - Enrollment Deposit: the cost can range between \$100-\$500
- Housing Deposit (living on-campus):
 - Housing Deposit: the cost can range between \$100-\$500

**Depending upon opportunity program enrollment, student's deposit fee may be waived*



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FINANCIAL AID BASICS

How will the student be able to afford college or post-secondary program?

We know college is expensive but...

There are **MANY** ways to afford it!

Is it possible?

YES!!

Is it easy?

That's why we're here to help!

Types of Aid

- Grants- **FREE MONEY \$\$**
 - Federal Government (PELL)- \$6,495
 - State Government (TAP)- \$5,665
 - Institutional (CSS Profile)
 - Loans- **MUST PAY BACK**
 - Federal Government- \$5,500
 - Private
 - Work-study- **WORK TO EARN IT**
 - Scholarships- **MORE FREE \$\$**
- (MUST APPLY BUT NOT GUARANTEED)

Financial Aid Applications

- **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) - Deadline: Dec 7th**
 - Is the primary application and needs to be completed first
 - The student and parent will create an FSA ID (username and password) as an electronic signature – tied to Social Security number
- **Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) - Deadline: Dec 10th**
 - NY State award for students who are NY residents attending school in NY state
 - Based on parent residency
- **CSS Profile- Deadline: Dec 17th**
 - For select private schools, may require non custodial parent information – a waiver for this may be available

Types of Aid for Undocumented Students

- Students with this status are ineligible for federal.
 - NYS Dream Act - Max Amount
- Students with this status CAN receive the following and may be asked to ONLY submit the CSS Profile.
- Other:
 - Institutional Grants and Scholarships
 - Private Scholarships
 - Opportunity Programs (ASAP, ACE, etc)



**BE A PARTNER
IN THE PROCESS**

What Can You Do Now?

- Provide support and maintain open communication
- Create an environment at home that allows your child to study and work on applications
- Do a college search with your child. Talk about interests, majors, staying at home or going away, etc.

What Can You Do Now? (cont'd)

- Ask to see your child's high school transcript
- Set up an appointment to meet with the college and career advisor
- Make sure that the counselor has your current contact information
- Ask Questions!
- Identify and collect the documents that you and your child may need for the process

Information needed for post-secondary process

- **Proof of Citizenship**

- Social Security Card, Permanent Resident Card, Passport, Visa

- **Proof of Income**

- 2021 Taxes (Federal & State), Unemployment, SSI/SSA, Budget Letter

- **Household Size**

- How many people live in household? How many people are supported by your income (earned income or benefits)?

- **Parents' Marital Status and Dates**

- Never Married, Unmarried-Both Parents Living Together, Married, Remarried, Separated or Divorced, Widowed

- **New York State ID**

Tax Documents: Important Reminders

Things To Do Now:

- ❑ Make sure you have federal and state taxes
- ❑ Confirm with counselor to see if you have to amend your taxes
- ❑ Request copy of your tax transcript

Things To Do in 2022:

- ❑ File taxes as soon as possible!!
- ❑ Claim **student** as **dependent** on taxes
- ❑ Claim **all dependents** on taxes
- ❑ If married, file as “married filing jointly” or “married filing separately”

Things to Avoid

- ❑ **Do not** wait until the end of tax season to file taxes
- ❑ If married, **do not** file as “head of household”; unless your spouse lives in another address more than 6 months out of the year

QUESTIONS?



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