# 2023 - 2024 Financial Aid Presentation – High School

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On Behalf of: The New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (NJHESAA)



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# WHAT WE WILL COVER

- The Types/Sources of Aid
- The Application Process
- The Financial Aid Package
- Other Information

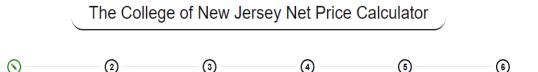
### Before we start...

Step 2

Step 1

#### **Net Price Calculator**

- All institutions must have a net price calculator posted on their websites.
- Students will be able to estimate the individual net price per institution.
- Based on full-time, first degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students.



Step 4

Step 5

Step 6

Welcome to The College of New Jersey's net price calculator. Begin by reading and agreeing to the statement below. Then follow the instructions on the subsequent screens to receive an estimate of how much students similar to you paid to attend The College of New Jersey in 2018-19.

Step 3

**Please read.** This calculator is intended to provide estimated net price information (defined as estimated cost of attendance - including tuition and required fees, books and supplies, room and board (meals), and other related expenses - minus estimated grant and scholarship aid) to current and prospective students and their families based on what similar students paid in a previous year.

By clicking below, I acknowledge that the estimate provided using this calculator does not represent a final determination, or actual award, of financial assistance, or a final net price; it is an estimate based on cost of attendance and financial aid provided to students in a previous year. Cost of attendance and financial aid availability change year to year. The estimates shall not be binding on the Secretary of Education, the institution of higher education, or the State.

Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in order to be eligible for, and receive, an actual financial aid award that includes Federal grant, loan, or work-study assistance. For more information on applying for Federal student aid, go to <u>http://www.fafsa.ed.gov</u>.

**Note:** Any information that you provide on this site is confidential. The Net Price Calculator does not store your responses or ask for personal identifying information of any kind.

# Section I - Types of Aid

### **Sources of Aid**

### **Types of Financial Aid**

- Federal
- State of New Jersey
- The College/University
- Private/outside (high school, parent employer, civic associations, etc.)

- Grants
- Scholarships
- Loans
- Employment Opportunities

# **Types of Aid - Federal**

### **Need-based Grants**

- Federal Government 2022 2023
  - Pell \$6,895 (max award)

Award amount based on EFC (FAFSA results) - range \$692 - \$6895

-SEOG \$4,000 (max award)

Award amount may vary by school – TCNJ = \$1500

-TEACH \$3,772 (max award)

2023-2024 Award amounts are subject to change.

### Types of Aid State Grants & Scholarships

Need and merit based

New Jersey State Grants 2022 – 2023 Academic Year

Award Type	Award Amounts
Full-Time TAG	\$1,280 - \$13,590
Part-Time	\$640 -\$2,194
EOF	Up to \$3,050 includes college success support
NJ STARS	Tuition Only
NJ STARS II	Up to \$2,500 per year
Governor's Urban Scholarship	Up to \$1,000
NJ-GIVS (women and minorities)	Up to \$2,000
Community College Opportunity Grant (CCOG)	After all other grant/scholarship aid- tuition and most fees - FREE I 🔬 🕀

# Types of Aid State Grants & Scholarships

### TAG (Tuition Aid Grant) - need based

- File FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application
- Demonstrate Financial Need
- Be a U.S. citizen, eligible non-citizen or NJ Dreamer
- Must be New Jersey Resident & attend a New Jersey Institution
- Must be full time at an approved degree program
- Meet all state deadlines
- Max award at TCNJ \$9966
- Part-Time TAG for County Colleges
  - Meet all TAG requirements
  - With the exception of being enrolled for 6-11 credits

### Types of Aid State Grants & Scholarship EOF (Educational Opportunity Fund) - need based

- Award ranges from \$200 \$3,050 annually depending on type of institution
- Must demonstrate educational and economically disadvantaged background
- File FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application

### <u>Governor's Urban Scholarship – merit</u> <u>based</u>

- Rank within the top 5% of their class at the end of junior year
- Attain a 3.0 GPA at the end of the junior year
- Attend an approved New Jersey college or University and reside in a designated community
- File FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application
- Have a New Jersey Eligibility Index below 10,500

### Types of Aid State Grants & Scholarship

### NJ STARS – merit based

- NJ residents who rank in the top 15% of their class at either the end of junior or senior year
- Students must attain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher at the start of the third semester at the county college to remain an NJ STAR
- Award amount = tuition
- File a FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application

### NJ STARS II – need and merit based

- Received NJSTARS funding and have a family taxable income of less than \$250,000
- Must earn an associates degree and graduate with a 3.25 GPA or higher
- May receive up to \$2,500 annually for a public or private 4-year NJ college or university
- Must take at least 12 college credits or 6 credits with a qualified doctors note
- File a FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application

# Types of Aid State Grants & Scholarships

### <u>Governor's Industry Vocation Scholarship for</u> <u>Women & Minorities (NJ - GIVS) – need and</u> career based

- Up to \$2,000 per year for the cost of enrollment at one of New Jersey's 18 County Colleges, Technical / Vocational Schools, some Proprietary Schools
- Benefits women and minorities pursuing certificate or degree programs in construction related fields
- Must be NJ resident and have AGI < \$60,000
- File FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application
- Complete separate application online at www.njgrants.org
- Some of the programs eligible for the scholarship include
  - Construction Supervision
  - Solar Energy Technology
  - Architectural Engineering Technology

### Types of Aid – State (cont.) <u>Community College Opportunity Grant</u> (CCOG) – need based

- Covers tuition and fees minus all other grants and scholarships
- AGI between \$0 \$65,000 for maximum award
- AGI between \$65,001 \$80,000 pays up to 50% of the maximum CCOG award
- Must be NJ resident attending a county college
- File FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application
- Minimum 6 credits per semester
- Make Satisfactory Academic Progress as defined for CCOG
- Must have a complete State grant record

### Types of Aid - Garden State Guarantee <u>New Jersey State Colleges and Universities –</u> <u>need based</u>

- Available for students in their third and fourth years of enrollment
- Tuition and Approved Fees free for AGI between \$0 \$65,000
- Students with AGI's between \$65,001 \$80,000 will pay a discounted net price of no more than \$7,500 for tuition and fees
- Must be NJ resident attending a New Jersey public college or university
- File FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application
- Make Satisfactory Academic Progress

# Types of Aid - 3 + 1 Degree Completion Programs

- Student enrolls in a bona fide 3 + 1 major/degree program
- Student completes the first two years at the community college and earns an Associate Degree
- Pays community college tuition and fees for the associate degree and the third year of their program
- Attends and pays the four-year institution tuition and fees in the final year
- File FAFSA or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application
- Meet all other eligibility criteria for TAG, NJSTARS, CCOG

#### Not aid – degree attainment cost savings program

# **Types of Aid - Student Loans**

Federal Direct Loan Program (4.99%) are loans only for the student with no credit check, the student qualifies regardless of the household income reported on the FAFSA and repayment begins 6 months after they graduate or leave college.

Grade Level	Dependent Undergraduate Student	Independent Undergraduate Student	
Freshman	\$5,500 (max \$3,500 subsidized)	\$9,500 (max \$3,500 subsidized)	
Sophomore	\$6,500 (max \$4,500 subsidized)	\$10,500 (max \$4,500 subsidized)	
Juniors, Seniors and Beyond	\$7,500 (max \$5,500 subsidized)	\$12,500 (max \$5,500 subsidized)	
Cumulative Limit	\$31,000 (max \$23,000 subsidized)	\$57,500 (max \$23,000 subsidized)	

### Types of Aid - Student and Parent Loans – Credit Based Loans

#### Parent and/or Student can borrow on the NJ State NJCLASS Supplemental Loan Program

- Immediate repayment, interest only repayment and full deferral repayment options available while the student is in school
- 10 Year Fixed Rate NJCLASS LOAN, starting at 3.75%
- 15 Year Fixed Rate NJCLASS LOAN is 5.30%
- 20 Year Fixed Rate NJCLASS LOAN is 6.75%
- All options have a 3% origination fee

#### Parent only can borrow on the Federal PLUS

- Repayment begins immediately
- Up to 25 years to repay
- Interest at 7.54% with a 4.228% origination fee

#### Parent and/or Student can borrow on private educational loans

- Sallie Mae, PNC, Well Fargo, others...
- Interest rates and repayments vary by lender

Note: Interest rates are subject to change in 23/24 and you can borrow up to the full year cost of college after other aid is applied

# Types of Aid - Institutional merit and talent based

• Factors that may influence eligibility:

Academics	Athletic Ability*
SATs	Geographic Diversity
AP Courses	Legacy (child of alumni)
Activities	Talent – Ex. Music/Art
Academic Track	Gender/Ethnicity
H.S. Attended	Class Rank

Determination of eligibility done during the admissions application cycle. If eligible, the awards are included with other aid awards.

\* Athletic awards offered by NCAA Division I and Division II schools only.

## **Section II - Applications**

#### studentaid.gov



#### student.collegeboard.org/profile



**HESAA.org** 



The New Jersey Alternative Financial Ald Application allows NJ Dreamers enrolled in eligible New Jersey colleges and universities to apply for state financial aid. Who should complete this application?

complete this application if you are not a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen and meet all of the following criteria;

Attended a New Jersey high school for at least three (3) years

Graduated from a New Jersey high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma in New Jersey

Are able to file an affidavit stating that you have filed an application to legalize your immigration status or will file an application as soon as you are eligible to do so

Apply Now

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### **New Jersey Dreamers**



### **NJ Dreamer Eligibility and Application Details**

The New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application allows NJ Dreamers enrolled in eligible New Jersey colleges and universities to apply for state financial aid.

#### Who should complete this application?

Complete this application if you are not a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen and meet all of the following criteria;

- Attended a New Jersey high school for at least three (3) years
- · Graduated from a New Jersey high school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma in New Jersey
- Are able to file an affidavit stating that you have filed an application to legalize your immigration status or will file an application as soon as you are eligible to do so

#### Apply Now

### **CSS** Profile

- Approximately 400 Colleges and Organizations use the CSS profile to determine how they will award institutional funds
- Available 10/1 each year and collects more comprehensive income, asset and household information than the FAFSA (i.e. primary home value, retirement plan values, assets for business owners regardless of number of employees)
- Aligns with the FAFSA's use of prior prior year income (2021 for 2023-2024)

Register - Complete Application – Make payment – Submit No payment for income under \$100,000 All others, \$25 for first application and \$16 for each additional

#### ⑦ CollegeBoard CSS Profile<sup>™</sup>

#### 2022-23 Participating Institutions and Programs

The following colleges, universities, and scholarship programs use CSS Profile and/or IDOC as part of their financial aid process for some or all of their financial aid applicants in the populations listed below. Please check schools' websites or contact the institution for more information.

CSS Code Show All 🗸	Institution Name	Institution State NJ V	CSS Profile – Domestic Students Show All 🗸	CSS Profile – International Students Show All 🗸	CSS Profile – Noncustodial Parents Show All 🗸	IDOC Show All 🗸
2819	Stevens Institute Technology	NJ	Yes	Yes	No	No
0550	The 200 Club of Morris County	NJ	Yes	No	No	No

### **CSS** Profile

Website to apply for profile

https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/

### Website to apply for Noncustodial Profile:

https://www.proprofs.com/training/course/?title=202223-completing-thecss-profile-for-noncustodial-parent\_610a90e612320

> Customer Support 844-202-0524 Live Chat Available

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# Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- 2023-2024 FAFSA available October 1, 2022
- Collects family's personal and financial information used to calculate the student's Expected Family Contribution
- File the FAFSA electronically via FAFSA on the Web at www.studentaid.gov
- FAFSA Uses prior-prior year income information (2021)
- Use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to populate income & tax information with actual prior prior year tax information

– All prior-prior year tax information (2021) is already filed, allowing immediate retrieval.

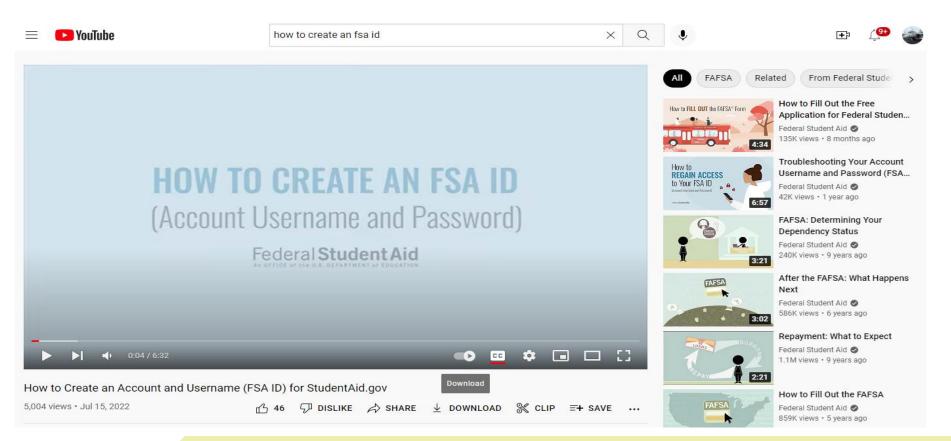
# Federal Student Aid ID

- Student & one parent must create a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) at <u>www.studentaid.gov</u> by clicking on 'create account
- In order to enhance security, FSA ID requires a two step verification. Customers will use their username and password (FSA ID) and will also need to provide a secure code that is provided to the user by text, email, or through an authenticator app each time they log in
- If you are a parent of a *dependent student*, you will need your own FSA ID
  - All parties must be verified by a mobile phone number or email when creating the FSA ID

## **Federal Student Aid ID**

Creating the FSA ID:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iTb7hMVtzco



### **FAFSA Information**

There are 103 questions on the FAFSA.

How long does it take to complete the FAFSA:

According to a Department of Education spokesperson, it takes dependent students 63 minutes on average to complete a new form and 41 minutes to complete a renewal;

the average completion time among independent students is
24 minutes for a new form and
19 minutes for a renewal form.

### FAFSA

#### FREE APPLICATION for FEDERAL STUDENT AID

Use this form to apply free for federal and state student grants, work-study, and loans.

#### Or apply free online at fafsa.gov.

#### Apply by the Deadlines

For federal aid, submit your application as early as possible, but no earlier than October 1, 2021. We must receive your application no later than June 30, 2023. Your college must have your correct, complete information by your last day of enrollment in the 2022-2023 school year.

For state or college aid, the deadline may be as early as October 2021. See the table to the right for state deadlines. You may also need to complete additional forms.

Check with your high school counselor or a financial aid administrator at your college about state and college sources of student aid and deadlines.

If you are filing close to one of these deadlines, we recommend you file either online at **fafsa.gov** or via the myStudentAid mobile app. These are the fastest and easiest ways to apply for aid.

#### **Use Your Tax Return**

We recommend that you complete and submit your FAFSA form as soon as possible on or after October 1, 2021. The easiest way to complete or correct your FAFSA form with accurate tax information is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool either through **fafsa.gov** or the myStudentAid mobile app. In a few simple steps, most students and parents who filed a 2020 tax return can transfer their tax return information directly into their FAFSA form.

If you (or your parents) have missed the 2020 tax filing deadline and still need to file a 2020 income tax return with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), you should submit your FAFSA form now using estimated tax information, and then you **must correct** that information **after you file** your return.

Note: Both parents or both the student and spouse may need to report income information on the FAFSA form if they did not file a joint tax return for 2020. For assistance with answering the income information questions in this situation, call 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243).

#### Fill Out the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Form

If you or your family experienced significant changes to your financial situation (such as loss of employment), or other unusual circumstances (such as tuition expenses at an elementary or secondary school or high unreimbursed medical or dental expenses), complete this form to the extent you can and submit it as instructed. Consult with the financial aid office at the college(s) you applied to or plan to attend.

For help in filling out the FAFSA form, go to **StudentAid.gov/completefafsa** or call 1-800-433-3243.

Fill the answer fields directly on your screen or print the form and complete it by hand.

#### July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

#### Federal Student Aid PROUD SPONSOR of the AMERICAN MIND

#### Pay attention to any symbols listed after your state deadline.

States and territories not included in the main listing below: AL\*, AS\*\*, AZ\*, CO\*, FM\*\*, GU\*\*, HI\*\*, KY^5, MH\*\*, NC^5, ND\*5, NE\*, NH\*\*, NM\*, OK\*5, PR\*, PW\*\*, RI\*\*, SD\*\*, UT\*5\*, VA\*\*, VI\*\*, VT\*5\*, WA^+, WI\* and WY\*\*.

#### State Deadline

- AK Alaska Education Grant ^ \$ Alaska Performance Scholarship: June 30, 2022 # \$
- Academic Challenge: July 1, 2022 (date received) AR ArFuture Grant: fall term, July 1, 2022 (date received); spring term, Jan. 10, 2023 (date received)
- For many state financial aid programs: March 2, 2022 (*date postmarked*). Cal Grant also requires submission of a school-certified GPA by March 2, 2022. For additional community college Cal Grants: Sept. 2, 2022 (*date postmarked*). A For nonclitzens without a Social Security card or with one issued through
- A For noncitizens without a Social Security card or with one issued through the federal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, fill out the California Dream Act Application. Contact the California Student Aid Commission or your financial aid administrator for more information.
- CT Feb. 15, 2022 (date received) # \*
- FAFSA form completed by Aug. 19, 2022 # DC For DC Tuition Assistance Grant, complete the DC OneApp and submit supporting documents by Aug. 26, 2022. #
- DE April 15, 2022 (date received)
- FL May 15, 2022 (date processed)
- GA Refer to Georgia Student Finance Commission's web site for additional information. ^ •
- IA July 1, 2022 (date received); earlier priority deadlines may exist for certain programs.\*
- ID Opportunity Scholarship: March 1, 2022 (date received) # \*
  IL Refer to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission's web site for the
- IL Monetary Award Program (MAP) renewal deadline. ^ \$ Adult Student Grant ^ \$: New applicants must submit additional form. Workforce Ready Grant ^

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- IN Frank O'Bannon Grant: April 15, 2022 (date received) 21st Century Scholarship: April 15, 2022 (date received)
- KS April 1, 2022 (date received) # \* LA July 1, 2023 (Feb. 1, 2022, recommended)
- LA July 1, 2023 (Feb. 1, 2022, reco MA May 1, 2022 (date received) #
- MA May 1, 2022 (date received) # MD March 1, 2022 (date received) #
- ME May 1, 2022 (date received)
- MI March 1, 2022 (date received)
- MN 30 days after term starts (date received)
- MO Feb. 1, 2022 # Applications accepted through April 1, 2022 (date received)
- MP April 30, 2022 (date received) # \*
- MS MTAG and MESG Grants: Oct. 15, 2022 (date received) HELP Grant: April 30, 2022 (date received)
- MT Dec. 1, 2021 # + \*
- Renewal applicants (2021–2022 Tuition Aid Grant recipients): April 15, 2022 (date received)
- All other applicants: fall and spring terms, Sept. 15, 2022 (date received);

# General Highlighted Eligibility Requirements for FAFSA

### The Student:

- Must have a valid Social Security Number
- Must be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an eligible program of study and pursuing a degree, certificate, or other recognized credential
- Must be a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen

# Key Components of the FAFSA

- Student Demographics
  - Full Name
  - Social Security Number
  - Date of Birth
  - NJ applicants must provide an answer to the driver's license questions
- Student Income and Assets
  - IRS Data Retrieval
  - Income earned from work
- Student Status: Dependent/Independent
- Parent Demographics
  - Social Security Number
  - Last Name
  - Date of Birth

# Key Components of the FAFSA (cont.)

- Household Size
  - Number in college
- Parent(s) Income and Assets
  - IRS Data Retrieval
  - Income earned from work
- Federal Means Tested Benefits
  - Medicaid, SSI, SNAP, Free or Reduced Price School Lunch, TANF, WIC
  - List all colleges of interest (up to 10)

# **IRS Data Retrieval Tool**

- The IRS data retrieval tool or (DRT) is used to transfer tax return information into the FAFSA
- The DRT will be available beginning October 1<sup>st</sup> to support early FAFSA
- Tax filers who file Married filing separately and foreign tax returns cannot use DRT
- Amended tax returns original tax data will be transferred

# Notification of Which Tax Year to Use

Applicants and parents will be instructed to provide financial information from their 2021 tax return

Parent Tax Filing Status								
Student Demographics     School Selection     Dependency Status     Parent Demographics     Parent Financials     Student Financials     Student Financials	Confirmation							
PARENT INFORMATION								
Application was successfully saved.								
Attention! You must provide financial information from your parents' 2021 tax return on the following pages.								
For 2021 have your parents completed their IRS income tax return or another tax return?	0							
Already completed	~							
What type of income tax return did your parents file for 2021	?							
IRS 1040	~							
For 2021 what is your parents' tax filing status according to their tax return?	?							
Married-Filed Joint Return	~							



#### Congratulations,

Your FAFSA was successfully submitted to Federal Student Aid.

Confirmation Number: F 10300007009 09/06/2018 15:0:30

Data Release Number ( DRN):

#### What Happens Next

- · You will receive an e-mail version of this page.
- In 3-5 business days, you will receive an e-mail notifying you that your FAFSA was processed.
- Your FAFSA information will be made available to your school(s), and they will use it to determine the aid
  you may be eligible to receive.
- Your school(s) will contact you if they need more information or when they are ready to discuss your financial aid award.
- If you have questions about your financial aid package, contact your school(s).

An abbreviated version of your confirmation page has been sent to you at the e-mail address:

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#### Estimated Expected Family Contribution (EFC) = 000000

- The EFC is a measure of how much you can contribute to the cost of your education. Schools use your EFC to
  determine your federal student aid eligibility.
- The EFC is <u>not</u> how much aid you will receive or how much you have to pay for college.

#### Estimated Eligibility Information

- · Based on the eligibility criteria, you may be eligible for the following:
- <u>Pell Grant</u> Estimate \$6,095.00
- <u>Direct Stafford Loan</u> Estimate \$9,500.00
- You may also be eligible to receive other federal, state, or institutional grants, scholarships, and/or workstudy.

In addition, you should learn about federal tax benefits for education, including the American Opportunity Tax Credit (AOTC).

### FAFSA Submission Page

### **Click to Apply for State Aid**

2023 - 2024 Confirmation Page

### Congratulations, Student!

Your FAFSA was successfully submitted to Federal Student Aid.

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Start your state application to apply for New Jersey State based financial aid.

#### Does your brother or sister need to complete a FAFSA?

If so, you can transfer your parents' information into a new FAFSA for your brother or sister to save time. Your parents will have to provide a signature again, but that's all.

This link redirects filers to view instructions regarding the NJFAMS Student Portal. Applicants are instructed to log into "**NJFAMS.HESAA.org**" to create a user ID and password. In 3-5 business days, students can their check awards and eligibility status and complete any outstanding items on their "To Do" list (There is no State Application only a To-Do-List).

Please note, all notifications will be sent to the student email address listed on the FAFSA.

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JFAMS JJCLASS Family Lo	ans NJ Dreamers	Financial Aid Administrat	tors School Coun	selors NJ STARS and	GUS Acceptance		
nis is the New Jersey Financial Aid ate scholarships. Financial aid office						ward status, check	your To Do list, a

All students must go to "NJGRANTS.org" •

Establish an NJFAMS Account by creating a User ID ulletand Password

### NJFAMS

### Welcome to NJFAMS!

Check your To Do List for additional information we need to process your grant or scholarship.

- 🖉 To Do List
- View and Update Your School
- Apply Online for Scholarships
- 樥 Award and Eligibility Information
- Notifications
- View And Update Your Contact Information
- 🤌 Edit Your Profile

Your FAFSA for academic year 2023-2024 has been received Your FAFSA for academic year 2022-2023 has not been received

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### **Additional Documents - Federal**



#### fid\_FIRST\_NAME fid\_LAST\_NAME

ID: fld\_EMPLID

#### Dear fld\_FIRST\_NAME

#### Important - Information required to complete your TCNJ financial aid file is past due.

Our records indicate that information required to complete your financial aid file is missing or incomplete for Aid Year fid\_AID\_YEAR. Without your immediate action, we cannot process your financial aid award (s) including certification of private loans. It is your responsibility to complete your financial aid file and ensure that your bill is paid in full by the established deadlines. Failure to do so may result in the following:

De-registration from classes

- Late fines
- Registration and transcript holds

The following documents are required to complete your fld\_AID\_YEAR financial aid file:

#### Item(s) Needed F fid CHKLST ITM DESCRLGE

Please send the items listed above to:

The Office of Student Financial Assistance Green Hall, Room 101 The College of New Jersey P. O. Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628

You may also fax the documents to (609) 637-5154 or scan and e-mail them to OSFA@tcnj.edu.

It is your responsibility to confirm our receipt of these items by logging into your PAWS account and viewing your "To Do List". We encourage you to check your "To Do" list periodically for any additional items that are needed.

When all of the outstanding documents have been received, your file will be reviewed and your award will be processed. You will be notified of your award amounts via e-mail. Notification of award eligibility will begin in early July and continue on a weekly basis throughout the school year. If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact our office at (609)-771-2211.

If you are not planning to return to TCNJ, please disregard this e-mail and complete the formal withdrawal process with the College in order for you to stop receiving these notices. We appreciate your prompt response to this request.

Sincerely,

Office of Student Financial Assistance

For federal aid, each school acts on behalf of the federal government

Each school will reach out to you directly if more information is needed

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# **Additional Documents - State**

We have received your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Thank you for taking the first step in applying for New Jersey State financial aid.

Please follow the next steps below to complete your NJ application prior to state application deadline dates www.nigrants.org:

- If you are a first-time student user to NJFAMS, you will need to register and create a NEW user ID and password at <u>https://njfams.hesaa.org</u>.
- 2. Answer the required New Jersey State specific questions found in your 'To Do List'
- 3. Return to the NJFAMS Welcome page to check your 'Award and Eligibility Information'.

#### Please note:

- Graduate students are not eligible for Tultion Aid Grant (TAG).
- If you are currently planning on attending an out-of-state college you should still consider completing the state questions in the event you return to a New Jersey college or university.
- Please visit our website <u>www.nigrants.org</u> for questions concerning eligibility, re-evaluations or appeals.
- For more information on HESAA's grants, scholarships, and NJCLASS family loan programs, please visit www.hesaa.org.

For State financial aid (HESAA) will reach out to you directly.

All notifications will be sent to the student, via email, to the address listed on the FAFSA

### **Section III – The Awards**

#### Office of Financial Assistance NORTHERN New Mexico College



Date:

June 18, 20XX

#### SAMPLE AWARD LETTER FOR 20XX -20XX Award Year

John Doe PO Box 00 Espanola, NM 87532

STUDENT ID:	A 0000XXXXX
ESTIMATED COLLEGE COST:	B 17734
(SEE ATTACHED FOR EXPLANATION)	
STUDENT/FAMILY CONTRIBUTION	C 0
OTHER AID:	D 0
FINANCIAL NEED:	E17734
UNMET NEED:	F 2896.5
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We are pleased to offer you the following financial aid awards for the 2013-14 academic year to attend Northern. Awards are based on expected class levels, residency, enrollment, housing, and satisfactory academic progress.

Award Payments are based on the actual number of credit hours attending at the time of disbursement.

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### Cost of Attendance – Step 1

- Tuition and fees
- Room and board
- Books and supplies, equipment
- Transportation
- Personal/miscellaneous expenses

## The FAFSA Results – Step 2

- The Expected Family Contribution EFC is determined by a federal formula that calculates need using the information you supplied on the FAFSA
- EFC is the number used by schools to determine need and aid eligibility
- EFC is the Pell Grant eligibility indicator highest EFC for Pell Grant = 6206

## Sample EFC for Smith Family

- Family lives in New Jersey
- Married parents
- Household size of 4 with 1 child going to college
- 2021 adjusted gross income = \$99,000
- Assets = \$15,000
- Student income / assets = \$0

EFC = 15000

### Financial Need – Step 3

College	Community College	State College or University	Private College or University
СОА	\$8,000	\$30,000	\$60,000
EFC	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
Financial Need	0	\$15,000	\$45,000

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### **Award Notice - Sample**

HERN New Mexico College	S.
SAMPLE AWARD LETTER	and the
FOR 20XX -20XX Award Year	
STUDENT ID:	A 0000XXXXX
ESTIMATED COLLEGE COST:	B 17734
(SEE ATTACHED FOR EXPLANATION)	
STUDENT/FAMILY CONTRIBUTION	C 0
OTHER AID:	D 0
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	SAMPLE AWARD LETTER FOR 20XX - 20XX Award Year STUDENT ID: ESTIMATED COLLEGE COST: (SEE ATTACHED FOR EXPLANATION) STUDENT/FAMILY CONTRIBUTION OTHER AID:

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- Format may vary by institution
- Available in hard copy or on-line
- Available after FAFSA filed and student is accepted
- Used to compare aid packages

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Date:

### Award Notice – what to look for

	ancial Assistance HERN New Mexico College	Q
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- Conditions for institutional aid/scholarships
  - GPA, credit requirements
  - Evaluated every year, or fixed for 4 years?
- Will outside scholarships impact institutional aid

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- Does the school package to need?
- Does the school package with Parent loans?
- Does the school award merit aid? Need based aid? Both?

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### **College Financing Plan**

MM / DD / YYYY

SX\_XXXXX / yr

Expected Family Contribution			
Based on FAFSA As calculated by the institution using information re	ported on the FAFSA or to your institution.		\$X,XXXXX / yr
Based on Institutional Methodology Used by most private institutions in addition to FAFI	SA.		SX,XXXXX / yr
Total Cost of Attendance 2020-2021	1		
	On Campus Residence	ev vvvv	Off Campus Residence
Tuition and fees		\$X,XXXX	Off Campus Residence
Tuition and fees Housing and meals	On Campus Residence	\$X,XXXX \$X,XXXX	
	On Campus Residence		
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### Scholarship and Grant Options

Scholarships and Grants are considered "Gift" aid - no repayment is needed.

Scholarships		Grants
Merit-Based Scholarships		Need-Base
Scholarships from your school	\$X,XXXX	Federal Pe
Scholarships from your state	\$X,XXXX	Institutional G
Other scholarships	\$X,XXXX	State Grants
Employer Paid Tuition Benefits	\$X,XXXX	Other forms of g
Total Scholarships	\$X,XXXX / yr	Total Grants

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Not Costs

(Cost of attendance minus total grants and scholarships)

Loan Option Federal Direct Si (X.XX% interest Federal Direct U

Private Loan (X.XX% interest Institutional Loan

(X.XX% interest Other Aid That I

Parent Plus Fede (X.XX% interest Total Loan Opti

Loan and Work Options to Pay the Net Costs to You

You	must	repay	loans,	plus	interest	and	fees.	
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ubsidized Loan rate)	\$X,XXXX / yr
Insubsidized Loan rate)	\$X,XXXXX / yr
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rate)	\$X,XXXX / yr
n rate)	\$X,XXXX / yr
/ust Be Repaid	\$X,XXXX / yr
e loans above, parents may als	o apply for the
eral Loan rate)	\$X,XXXX / yr
ions	\$X,XXXX / yr

The Shopping Sheet **standardizes award letters**, making it easier to comparison shop and provide students with key information including:

- How much one year of school will cost.
- Financial aid options to pay this cost, with a clear differentiation between grants and scholarships, which do not have to be repaid, and loans, which do.
- The **net costs** after grants and scholarships are taken into account.

### This is a required Award Notice in NJ but a voluntary notice at out of state schools.

## **Section IV – Other Information**

The application cycle: **BE PROACTIVE**!!!!!

October to February – Review deadlines, complete FAFSA application, college searches, college application process, and CSS Profile (if required by the school)

February to April - Schools send award letters

May 1 – Decision Day

June to August – Fall class schedules, orientation, Fall Semester bill due

### **Special Circumstances**

In certain cases the Financial Aid Office can adjust the income used on the FAFSA to recalculate eligibility. This re-evaluation is done on a case-by-case basis and can vary by institution. Some acceptable conditions are:

- Unemployment
- Reduction in Income
- Disability
- Retirement
- Death of a parent
- Separation/Divorce (after FAFSA is filed)
- Loss of untaxed income or unemployment benefits
- Loss of child support and/or alimony

### **Other Resources**

- Outside Scholarships
- Campus Administered Payment Plans
- Campus Employment
- Specialized Campus Opportunities
  - Residential Advisors/Community Advisors (RA/CA)
  - ✓ Student Ambassadors/Tour Guides
  - ✓ Internships/CO-OPS

### **Private Scholarship Search**

- Institution/college web sites
- Local library resources
- Local businesses, civic organizations and churches

   Check with your High School guidance office
- Parent's employer(s)
- www.hesaa.org
- www.fastweb.com
- www.collegeboard.org
- www.mappingyourfuture.org



### **HESAA Services**

- Customer Care Center <u>CustomerCare@hesaa.org</u>
- Customer Care Line

609-584-4480

Monday – Thursday 8:30 – 8 and Friday 8:30 – 5:00

Web Sites

www.hesaa.org www.njgrants.org www.njclass.org https://njfams.hesaa.org

- NJBEST.org
- MappingYourFuture.org

# **QUESTIONS?**



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# Thank you