

## Parent Financial Aid News Flash

### Fall 2025

#### The **2026-2027** Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is Coming October 1!

- Don't have an FSA ID yet? Create one on the [Federal Student Aid website](#) before starting your FAFSA.
- If you're filing for the first time, have your Social Security number ready and be sure to use your legal name (as it appears on your Social Security card).



**Priority submission deadline for the 2026-2027 FAFSA: November 15, 2025**

- A FAFSA walkthrough of the 2026-2027 FAFSA is coming soon! In the meantime, check out our other helpful videos on the [Pace Financial Aid YouTube Channel](#).



#### Important Financial Aid Changes - Effective July 1, 2026

##### If you use or plan to use a Federal Parent PLUS Loan:

- **Starting July 1, 2026**, first time borrowers will only be able to take out **up to \$20,000 per year**, with a **lifetime maximum of \$65,000**.
- If you have already borrowed a Parent PLUS loan before July 1, 2026, you can keep borrowing under the old rules (up to the full cost of attendance minus all other financial aid) for up to 3 more years or until your student graduates, whichever comes first.



##### **Satisfy 2025-2026 Financial Aid Requirements Now!**

Your student should log into their **[Pace Portal](#)** to complete remaining financial aid requirements for 2025-2026!



##### **Don't Lose Aid Over Attendance!**

Federal aid eligibility is based on students attending and participating in their classes.

- ✓ Students must go to all their classes to avoid issues with registration or financial aid.
- ✓ Professors must take attendance once each semester. If your student doesn't attend or participate, they could be dropped for non-attendance.



##### **Students Must Check Their Email!**

That is where we'll send important financial aid information and updates, so remind your students to check their email often and to read and reply when needed.

**Don't ignore emails!**

#### Contact the Financial Aid Office

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Phone: (877) 672-1830 | [Submit a Help Desk Ticket](#) | [Schedule an Appointment](#)