

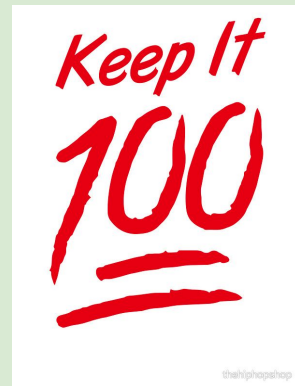


# Class of 2020 Financial Aid Night

Goal: 100% Financial Aid application submission

# Class of 2020 Goal: 100% FAFSA/CA Dream Act Completion

- FAFSA (w/Social Security Number):
  - Create FSA ID
  - Opens **October 1st**
  - Use 2018 Tax Return information
  - **Due March 2nd**
- CA Dream Act (w/out Social Security Number or DACA student):
  - Opens **October 1st**
  - Use 2018 Tax Return information
  - **Due March 2nd**



***Financial Aid will help students if they are interested in attending:***

Community College  
4 Year Universities  
Vocational/Trade Schools  
Military

Applications due **March 2nd**

# Why we keep it 100?

Applications due **March 2nd**

- **Do NOT Auto-disqualify yourself**
  - **\$2.6 Billion went unused in 2018-19 school year**
    - Nearly \$400 million just in California
- **You MUST apply every year**



# What is financial aid?

- Money to pay for college or career school
- Grants
- Work-study (Not available for CA Dream Act Students)
- Loans (Federal Loans NOT available for CA Dream Act Students)
- Scholarships

Gift Aid	Self Help Aid
Merit Aid	Federal Student Loans
Need Based Grants	Federal Parent Loans
Institutional Scholarships	Work Study
Federal Grants	Repayable Aid
State Grants	
Outside Scholarships	

# How much financial aid can I get?

- Financial need determined by Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and Cost of Attendance (COA)
- EFC comes from what you report on FAFSA® (*Free Application for Federal Student Aid*) or the CA Dream Act
- COA is tuition, fees, room and board, transportation, books and materials etc.

$$\text{COA} - \text{EFC} = \text{Financial Need}$$

\*Students total aid cannot be higher than the Cost of Attendance.

# Who can get student aid?

- FAFSA

- U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- High school graduate/GED holder
- Valid Social Security number
- Males registered for Selective Service

- CA Dream Act

- Graduate from California High School
- Be a high school student in California for at least 3 years

# FINANCIAL AID

COLLEGE OR CAREER SCHOOL



# How much federal student aid can I get?

CA Dream Act Students NOT Eligible for federal assistance

## 1 GRANTS

- Free Money for educational expenses based on financial need
- Main Types:
  - [Cal-Grant](#)
  - [Pell Grant](#)



## 2 WORKSTUDY

- Jobs to help pay for school
  - Employment at the Campus
  - Up to 15 hours per week



## 3 LOANS

- Money on loan which must be paid back with interest
  - [Subsidized](#): Government pays down interest while in school
  - [Unsubsidized](#): Automatic monthly payments

## 4 SCHOLARSHIPS

- Free money based on specific requirements or criteria
- Main Types:
  - On Campus
  - National
  - Local (High School)



Maximum amounts for the major programs for a dependent freshman in 2019-2020:

- Federal Pell Grant: \$6,095
- Federal Work-Study: depends on funds available at school
- Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans: \$5,500 total
- Direct PLUS Loan (for parents): COA minus other aid received (based on credit approval)

\*\*Funds from other programs are available; see [StudentAid.gov/glance](http://StudentAid.gov/glance) for details.

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# Cal Grants- Apply to FAFSA or CA Dream Act **by March 2nd**

- A Cal Grant is money for college you don't have to pay back. To qualify, you must apply for the FAFSA or CADAA by the deadline
- Award purpose vary by Grant Type
  - Cal Grant A Awards assist with tuition/fees
  - Cal Grant B Awards assist with living expenses the first year and adds tuition/fee expenses in renewable years
  - Cal Grant C Awards assist with books/tools/equipment & Tuition/fees
- Your eligibility will be based on:
  - your FAFSA or CADAA responses
  - your verified Cal Grant GPA
  - the type of California colleges you list on your FAFSA and whether you're a recent high school graduate.

	Cal Grant A	Cal Grant B	Cal Grant C
GPA	3.00	2.00	N/A
Financial Need	<b>Cost of Attendance</b> - <b>Expected Family Contribution</b> = <b>Unmet Need</b>		
Income & Asset Ceiling	<i>Income:</i> Maximum amount depends on family size <i>Assets::</i> The maximum amount a family can have in assets that not exempt		
Program Enrollment	•Bachelors	•Associates •Bachelors •Certificate	•Technical/Career Education (Not taken at a Community College)
Amounts:	UC Campus -----Up to \$12,630 CSU Campus -----Up to \$5,742 Private College -----Up to \$9,084	1st Year: -----Up to \$1672 Renewed Years: -----Up to \$1672 + corresponding A grant value	Tuition/Fees: -----Up to \$2462 Books & Supplies: -----Up to \$1094

**CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION**  
**FOR NEW CAL GRANT APPLICANTS**  
**and**  
**RENEWING CAL GRANT RECIPIENTS**

**2019-20 CAL GRANT PROGRAM INCOME CEILINGS**

	Cal Grant A and C	Cal Grant B
Dependent students and Independent students with dependents other than a spouse		
<u>Family size:</u>		
Six or more	\$118,500	\$65,100
Five	\$109,900	\$60,300
Four	\$102,500	\$53,900
Three	\$94,400	\$48,500
Two	\$92,100	\$43,000
Independent students		
Single, no dependents	\$37,600	\$37,600
Married, no other dependents	\$43,000	\$43,000

**2019-20 CAL GRANT PROGRAM ASSET CEILINGS**

Dependent students <sup>1</sup>	\$79,300
Independent students	\$37,700

"The income includes taxable (adjusted gross income) and non-taxable income (i.e. pre-tax contributions towards retirement accounts)."

# How do I apply for aid?

- Federal student aid (w/Social Security Number):
  - Fill out *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)
- CA Dream Act- (w/out Social Security Number or DACA student): [www.caldreamact.org](https://www.caldreamact.org)

Students **DO NOT** Apply to Both

Social Security = **FAFSA**

No Social Security or DACA student= **CA Dream Act**

# How do I apply for financial aid?

## FAFSA or CA Dream Act:

- **Apply starting October 1** but as early as possible to meet all deadlines.
- **Deadline- March 2nd** to be eligible for Cal Grants
- Need help?
  - Use the help functions within the **FAFSA (including live chat) or call 1-800-4-FED-AID.**
  - Contact the **California Student Aid Commission (CSAC)** for CA Dream Act or Cal Grant questions
- Don't forget: watch for the confirmation page that says your FAFSA or CA Dream Act has been submitted. THEN log out.

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# IMPORTANT:

Do NOT pay for filling out the Financial Aid Application

- Do NOT go to FAFSA.com- This is not the correct website
- Do not pay anyone (or website) to fill out the application either the FAFSA (or CA Dream Act) - It's called the **FREE** Application for Federal Aid for a reason

# What's Next?

**Watch for response by email or by mail, confirming that your FAFSA/CA Dream Act was processed.**

- Double-check that your info is correct by logging on at the FAFSA/CA Dream Act site and review your data.
- Correct any mistakes and submit the corrected info.

**Watch for emails or letters from the schools you are considering.**

- Give the schools any additional paperwork they ask for.
- Meet all deadlines or you could miss out on aid!
- Each school will tell you how much aid you can get at that school.
- Once you decide which school to attend, keep in touch with the financial aid office to find out when and how you will get your aid.

# Helix is here to help!

Applications due **March 2nd**

- Club College- Every Wednesday in ExL (Room 1600)  
3:30-6:30pm
- Financial Aid Workshops
  - Thursday,                      October 3rd                      6:00 - 8:00\*\*\*
  - Wednesday,                      October 9th                      5:00 - 8:00
  - Wednesday,                      October 16th                      5:00 - 8:00

\*\*\*starts with a quick Financial Aid Overview presentation

# Two Extra Graduation Tickets!

**Get 2 extra graduation tickets (per student) if the FAFSA or CA Dream Act are submitted by:**

**December 20, 2019**

**(Last day of Fall Semesters)**



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