

Senior Advisory Sheldon High School

Activity #1 September 23, 2016 Advisor Lesson Plan

Objectives of Lesson:

Students will be able to:

- Think about their goals and how to achieve these goals for their senior year. They will use the senior timeline and checklist to organize their time for the year.
- Understand upcoming events as they relate to their senior year.
- The financial aid process.
- Apply for a PIN

Time	30 minutes			
Materials	Files and Folders			
	FAFSA Worksheet (Green)			
	Financial Aid Info (Yellow packet)			
	Senior Timeline (Green)			
	What You Need to Know Handout (Blue)			
	All School Testing Day Packet (White)			

Learning Process Overview

Step	Time	Most important contents	
Welcome	3	Distribute files and folders	
Senior Timeline	2	Please review September and October's items in the Senior timeline (Green handout)	
(Green sheet) FAFSA Worksheet (Green) and What You Need to Know Handout (Blue)	10	Distribute the FAFSA Worksheet and What You Need to Know handout We are hoping that every student at Sheldon completes his or her FAFSA application this year. It can open the doors to opportunities for grant money (free money), scholarships etc. Financial Aid Information Night at Sheldon is October 17 th for parents and students at 6:30pm. Please have students look at the FAFSA Worksheet that can be used when applying for Federal Student Aid online. Students can start filling in the information they know to become	
		acquainted with the process. This activity is just for practice and allows students to see what information they will need to gather to complete the form.	

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		Students can review the What You Need to Know handout.
		Please emphasize that there is important information on the What You Need to Know handout. Students can take these materials home with them.
Financial Aid Yellow packet	6	Please turn the yellow packet. Review the Quick Tips on Financial Aid (pg 1). Next talk about the steps and processes involved with applying for financial aid (pg 2). Also, the different types of financial aid are listed (pg 3).
Applying for a PIN Yellow Sheet	3	Please turn to page 3. Near the bottom of the page, please reference the Apply for a FAFSA ID/PIN section. The PIN application is completed online.
		To complete the process, Students will create a: Username Password
		Students will need to have available: Their social security number Date of birth
		Both the student and the parent will need their own separate pin# to sign their financial aid application.
Important Dates to Remember PG 4 of Yellow Handout	2	Please make sure that students see Page 4 of the yellow packet . It includes important dates they will need throughout their senior year.
		***A couple of changes since printing- October 20 th Post High School Planning Night has been cancelled November 1 st Career /Scholarship Night has been
		cancelled
411.01.1.7.11		Students can keep these packets for reference
All School Testing Day- Packet	2	Please read the included description of seniors option for "All School Testing Day"
A 1 1:01 1 == 1		Included is a list of seniors that have NOT met CRLS.
Additional Time	?	Can be spent working on getting caught up with your advisees.
Clean up	2	Put folders away. Keep planning guide in student's folders. Students can keep the FAFSA Worksheet and other packets.



College Application Help Sheet

Henry D. Sheldon High School 2455 Willakenzie Rd. Eugene, OR 97401 CEEB Code: 380-326

Tritnester Block Schedule – for UofO Application
1 term = .5 credit



Phone number: (541) 790-6600 Fax number: (541) 790-6605

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Graduation Date: June 9th, 2017

Trimester 1 – September 7th – December 1st Trimester 2 – December 6th – March 15th

Trimester 3 – March 20th – June 7th (For graduating Seniors) June 16th for 9th-11th

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University of Oregon

http://admissions.uoregon.edu/freshmen/ Click on Apply to the U of O, and then Click on Apply Online (you will need to create an account)

Oregon State University

http://oregonstate.edu/admissions/main/apply-choose-application Click Undergraduate Student (you will need to create an account)

Lane Community College

https://www.lanecc.edu/esfs/admissions Click First Time in College Student (you will need to create an account)

Common Application (Used by many PRIVATE Schools – But not for UofO, OSU, WOU, SOU, EOU or LCC) https://www.commonapp.org

Financial Aid Quick Tips

- 1 Never pay to fill out your financial aid form. This is a <u>free</u> application.
- 2 Note the website is ".gov" http://www.fafsa.ed.gov
- 3 Your parents will be estimating their 2015 taxes to fill out the form IF you're going to school in the Fall of 2017.

They do not need to have had to file their taxes yet. If there is a significant difference to what they put on this form and what their taxes are, then they can update the form at that time.

4 - You can download the FAFSA Worksheet from the above website starting in

September - but you cannot submit the FAFSA until October 1st.

5 – For priority, you will want to submit the FAFSA in the month of October.

Remember – first come first served...in fact all the way to December 31st of 2018.. There may not be any more money left though. You **cannot** submit before October 1st. You CAN submit after October 1st but the pot of money starts dwindling and there may not be any more money left.

- 6 Many scholarships require that you submit the FAFSA form.
- 7 You will need a FSA ID to sign your FAFSA form as well as your parent. https://fsaid.ed.gov

Financial Aid Cheat Sheet

Step 1:

Get your FSA ID

Both student AND parents will have separate
ID's

www.fsaid.ed.gov

Federal Student Aid

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Create a New FSA ID

An FSA ID gives you access to Federal Student Aid's critice systems and can serve as your leg

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FAFSA & CSS Profile

Step 2:

FAFSA and CSS Profile?

Check with the schools you are applying to! Submit as close to OCTOBER 1st of your senior year as possible. You can submit to FAFSA all the way to December 31st of the first year of college but the money may be gone by then. Due dates for CSS Profile varies by school.

Fill out your financial aid form online at:

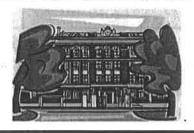
FAFSA (EVERYONE should fill this out)

www.fafsa.ed.gov

CSS Profile (is needed for SOME private schools) https://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile

Step 3a:

Your application goes to Federal Student
Aid - then it is processed and sent directly to
universities and colleges.
NOT TO THE SUDENT



Step 3b:

Fill out College Applications and send to the College/University



Step 4:

You will get your Student Aid Report (SAR) from the schools you applied to. This will explain any grants and/or loans you qualify for and your Estimated Family Contribution (EFC).

FREE money is in the form of grants (example: Pell Grant). YOU HAVE TO ACCEPT THE AID THROUGH THE SCHOOL.



What is Financial Aid?

*Financial aid is money that is given, paid or loaned to you to help pay for your college or vocational training. There are several types of financial aid:

Grants & Scholarships - are given as awards and do not require repayment.

Loans - are borrowed from a lending institution. You are required to repay the loan amount and interest fees.

Work-Study Employment - You may be eligible to participate in work-study employment. This includes an on-campus job which allows you to earn money for your education. Off-campus community service work opportunities are provided through the Federal Work-Study Program. On- and off-campus work-study employment assignments are coordinated by the Financial Aid Office.

The first Step to applying for Financial Aid is to apply for the new FSA ID, which stands for Federal Student Aid Identification (the old PIN is been retired). This can be done right now so you have it ready when you submit your application starting October 1st.

Your FSA ID can be used each year to electronically apply for federal student aid and to access your Federal Student Aid records online. If you receive a FSA ID, you agree not to share it with anyone. The FSA ID serves as your electronic signature and provides access to your personal records, so you should never give your password to anyone, including commercial services that offer to help you complete your FAFSA. Be sure to keep your FSA ID in a safe place.

Go to this website:

https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm



Apply For A FSA ID

The FSA ID Application is for students <u>and</u> parents who do not already have a FSA ID and would like to apply for one.

The process consists of 3 steps:

Step 1: Enter Email, Confirm Email

Step 2: Username

Step 3: Password, Confirm Password (expires every 18 months....if you login and your password has expired you will be required to change your password.)



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR*

College Visitations at Sheldon High School	September – May
Curriculum Night at Sheldon	September 20 th 7 PM
Portland Christian College Fair (Westside High School, Tigard)	September 26 th , 6-8 PM
IB Night - Ed Center at District Office	September 29 th , 7 PM
FAFSA Application Date NEW START DATE!	October 1st
IB Info Parent Night (Ed Center, District Office)	October 1 st 7-8PM
College Fair - University of Oregon, McArthur Ct.	October 7 th 9-12 Noon
Financial Aid Night	October 17 th 6:30 PM All
School Testing Day & PSAT	October 19 th
Post High School Planning Night	October 20th 7 PM
Portland National College Fair- Ore. Convention. Ctr.	October 23 rd - 24 th
National Performing and Visual Arts College Fair (Portland Art Museum	October 24th 7-9 PM
FAFSA Workshop	October 24th 4:30 PM
Career/Scholarship/College Night, Sheldon HS	November 1 st 6:30 PM
FAFSA Workshop	November 3rd 4:30 PM
OSAC (Oregon Student Access Commission) Scholarship	DUE March 1st
CAS Community Service Fair (South Eugene Cafeteria)	April 20 th 7 PM
PNAC College Fair, University of Portland, Chiles Center	April 30 th
AP Testing	May $1^{st} - 12^{th}$
IB Testing	May $1^{st} - 19^{th}$
IHS Graduation	June 8 th
Graduation	June 9 th

Test Dates	Deadlines
October 1 st , 2016 November 5 th , 2016	September 1 st , 2016 October 7 th , 2016
December 3 rd , 2016 January 21 st , 2017 March 11 th , 2017 May 6 th , 2017 June 3 rd , 2017	November 3 rd , 2016 December 21 st , 2016 February 5 th , 2017 April 7 th , 2017 May 9 th , 2017
September 10 th , 2016 October 22 nd , 2016	August 5 th , 2016 September 16 th , 2016
December 10 th , 2016 February 11 th , 2017 April 8 th , 2017 June 10 th , 2017	November 4 th , 2016 January 13 th , 2017 March 3 rd , 2017 May 5 th , 2017
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DO TAKE THE OPTIONAL WRITING TEST IT COUNTS FOR SMARTER BALANCE!!!!

www.fafsa.gov

DO NOT MAIL THIS WORKSHEET.

or me Web worksheet provides a preview of the questions that you may be asked while completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) online at www.fafsa.gov.

FAFSA on the Web Worksheet

You must complete and submit a FAFSA to apply for federal student aid and for most state and college aid. Write down notes to help you easily complete your FAFSA anytime after January 1, 2016.

See the table to the right for state deadlines. Your application must be submitted by midnight Central time. Also pay attention to the symbols that may be listed after your state deadline. Check with your high school counselor or your college's financial aid administrator about other deadlines. The Federal deadline is June 30, 2017.

- This Worksheet is optional and should only be completed if you plan to use FAFSA on the Web.
- Sections in purple are for parent information.
- This Worksheet does not include all the questions from the FAFSA. The questions that are included are ordered as they appear on FAFSA on the Web. When you are online, you may be able to skip some questions based on your answers to earlier questions.

Applying is easier with the IRS Data Retrieval Tool!

Beginning in early February 2016, students and parents who have completed their 2015 IRS tax return may be able to use FAFSA on the Web to electronically view their tax information. With just a few simple steps, the tax information can also be securely transferred into FAFSA on the Web.

Sign your FAFSA with an FSA ID!

For information about the FSA ID, including how to apply, go to studentaid.gov/fsaid.

Your FSA ID allows you to electronically sign your FAFSA. If you are providing parent information, one parent must also sign your FAFSA. To sign electronically, your parent should also apply for an FSA ID.

Free help is available!

You do not have to pay to get help or submit your FAFSA. Submit your FAFSA free online at www.fafsa.gov. Federal Student Aid provides free help online at www.fafsa.gov or you can call 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243). TTY users (hearing impaired) can call 1-800-730-8913.

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Federal Student Aid

Check with your financial aid administrator for these states and

	tention to any symbols listed after your state deadline.
state	Deadline
AK	Alaska Performance Scholarship - June 30, 2016; later applications accepted if funds available.
	Alaska Education Grant - As soon as possible after January 1, 2016.
	Academic Challenge - June 1, 2016 (date received)
AR	Workforce Grant - Contact the financial aid office.
	Higher Education Opportunity Grant - June 1, 2016 (date received)
	For many state financial aid programs - March 2, 2016 (date
	postmarked) + *
CA	For additional community college Cal Grants - September 2, 2016 (date postmarked) + *
	Contact the California Student Aid Commission or your financial aid
	administrator for more information.
CT	February 15, 2016 (date received) # *
	FAFSA completed by May 1, 2016 (date received)
DC	For DCTAG, complete the DC OneApp and submit
-50	supporting documents by June 30, 2016.
DE	April 15, 2016 (date received)
FL	May 15, 2016 (date processed)
IA	July 1, 2016 (date received) Earlier priority deadlines may exist for certain programs. *
ID	Opportunity Grant - March 1, 2016 (date received) # *

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ID	Opportunity Grant - March 1, 2016 (date received) # *	
IL	As soon as possible after January 1, 2016. \$	

IN March 10, 2016 (date received)

April 1, 2016 (date received) # * As soon as possible after January 1, 2016. \$

July 1, 2017 (date received); July 1, 2016 recommended

MA May 1, 2016 (date received) # March 1, 2016 (date received) ME May 1, 2016 (date received) MI

March 1, 2016 (date received) MN 30 days after term starts (date received)

MO April 1, 2016 (date received) MTAG and MESG Grants - September 15, 2016 (date received)

HELP Scholarship - March 31, 2016 (date received) MT March 1, 2016 (date received) #

As soon as possible after January 1, 2016. \$

April 15, 2016 (date received) # Earlier priority deadlines may exist for institutional programs

2015-2016 Tuition Aid Grant recipients - June 1, 2016 (date received) All other applicants October 1, 2016, fall & spring terms (date received)

March 1, 2017, spring term only (date received) Silver State Opportunity Grant - As soon as possible after

January 1, 2016. \$ All other aid - Contact your financial aid administrator. * June 30, 2017 (date received) *

October 1, 2016 (date received) March 1, 2016 (date received) # OK

OSAC Private Scholarships - March 1, 2016

Oregon Opportunity Grant - As soon as possible after January 1, 2016. \$

All first-time applicants enrolled in a: community college; business/trade/technical school; hospital school of nursing; designated Pennsylvania Open-Admission institution; or non-transferable twoyear program - August 1, 2016 (date received)

All other applicants - May 1, 2016 (date received) *

March 1, 2016 (date received) # Tuition Grants - June 30, 2016 (date received)

SC Commission on Higher Education Need-based Grants - As soon as possible after January 1, 2016. \$ State Grant - March 1, 2016. Eligible prior-year recipients receive

priority, and all other awards made to needlest applicants until funds are depleted.

State Lottery - fall term, September 1, 2016 (date received); spring & summer terms, February 1, 2017 (date received) Tennessee Promise - February 15, 2016

March 15, 2016 (date received)

As soon as possible after January 1, 2016. \$ *

As soon as possible after January 1, 2016. \$

PROMISE Scholarship - March 1, 2016. New applicants must submit additional application. Contact your financial aid administrator or

your state agency. WV Higher Education Grant Program - April 15, 2016

For priority consideration, submit application by date specified.
+ Applicants encouraged to obtain proof of mailing.
> Awards made until funds are depleted.
> Additional form may be required.

SECTION 1 - STUDENT INFORMATION

After you are online, you can add up to ten colleges on your FAFSA. The colleges will receive the information from your processed FAFSA.

Student's Last Name	First N	ame	Social Security Number		
Student Citizenship Status (check one of the following)					
☐ U.S. citizen (U.S. national) ☐ Neither citizen nor eligible noncitizen					
Eligible noncitizen (Enter your Alien Registration Number in the box to the right.) Generally, you are an eligible noncitizen if you are: A permanent U.S. resident with a Permanent Resident Card (I-551); A conditional permanent resident with a Conditional Green Card (I-551C); The holder of an Arrival-Departure Record (I-94) from the Department of Homeland Security showing any of the following designations: "Refugee," "Asylum Granted," "Parolee" (I-94 confirms paroled for a minimum of one year and status has not expired), T-Visa holder (T-1, T-2, T-3, etc.) or "Cuban-Haitian Entrant," or The holder of a valid certification or eligibility letter from the Department of Health and Human Services showing a designation of "Victim of human trafficking					
- 3	k one of the following) ried or remarried		ivorced or widowed		
Selective Service Registration		ne Selective Service System.			
	f you are male and 25 or younger, you can use the FAFSA to register with the Selective Service System. What is the highest school parent 1 completed? □ Middle school/Jr. high □ College or beyond □ High school □ Other/unknown				
What is the highest school parent 2 completed? □ Middle school/Jr. high □ College or beyond □ High school □ Other/unknown					
SECTION 2 - STUDENT I	DEPENDENCY STATUS				
	ollowing boxes, you will not have owing boxes, you will be asked to				
□ I was born before January 1, 1993	☐ I am married	☐ I will be working on a master's o MD, JD, PhD, EdD, graduate cert	r doctorate program (e.g., MA, MBA, ificate)		
☐ I am serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces	☐ I am a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces	☐ I now have or will have children of their support between July 1,	for whom I will provide more than half 2016 and June 30, 2017		
☐ Since I turned age 13, both of my parents were deceased	☐ I was in foster care since turning age 13	☐ I have dependents (other than children or my spouse) who live with me and I provide more than half of their support			
☐ I was a dependent or ward of the court since turning age 13	☐ I am currently or I was an emancipated minor	☐ I am currently or I was in legal guardianship	☐ I am homeless or I am at risk of being homeless		
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SECTION 3 - PARENT INFORMATION

Who is considered a parent? "Parent" refers to a biological or adoptive parent or a person determined by the state to be a parent (for example, if the parent is listed on the birth certificate). Grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians, older siblings, and uncles or aunts are not considered parents on this form unless they have legally adopted you. If your legal parents are living and married to each other, answer the questions about both of them. If your legal parents are not married and live together, answer the questions about both of them. In case of divorce or separation, give information about the parent you lived with most in the last 12 months. If you did not live with one parent more than the other, give information about the parent who provided you the most financial support during the last 12 months or during the most recent year you received support. If your divorced or widowed parent has remarried, also provide information about your stepparent.

Providing parent 1 information? You will need:	Providing parent 2 information? You will need:			
Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent) Social Security Number	Parent 2 (father/mother/stepparent) Social Security Number			
Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent) name		Parent 2 (father/mother/stepparent) name		
Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent) date of birth		Parent 2 (father/mother/stepparent) date of birth		
☐ Check here if parent 1 is a dislocated worker		☐ Check here if parent 2 is a dislocate	ed worker	
Did you know?	Did yo	ur parents file or will they file a 2	2015 income tax return?	
If your parents file a tax return with the IRS, they may be		My parents have already completed a tax	return	
eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, which is the easiest way to provide accurate tax information. With just a few		My parents will file, but have not yet completed a tax return		
simple steps, they may be able to view their tax return		My parents are not going to file an income tax return		
information and securely transfer it into FAFSA on the Web.		my parents are not going to me an incom	ie tax letulii	
What was your parents' adjusted gross income for	or 2015?			
Skip this question if your parents did not file taxes. Adjusted gr	oss income	is on IRS Form 1040—Line 37;	\$	
1040A—line 21; or 1040EZ—line 4.				
The following questions ask about earnings (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2015. Answer the questions whether or not a tax return was filed. This information may be on the W-2 forms, or on the IRS Form 1040—Line 7 + 12 + 18 + Box 14 (Code A) of IRS Schedule K-1 (Form 1065); 1040A—line 7; or 1040EZ—line 1.				
How much did parent 1 (father/mother/steppare	nt) earn	from working in 2015?	\$	
How much did parent 2 (father/mother/steppare			\$	
In 2014 or 2015, did anyone in your parents' hou	sehold re	eceive: (Check all that apply.)		
☐ Supplemental Security Income (SSI) ☐ Te	mporary A	sistance for Needy Families (TANF)		
☐ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) ☐ Sp	ecial Supp	emental Nutrition Program for Women, Ir	fants, and Children (WIC)	
☐ Free or Reduced Price School Lunch				
Note: TANF may have a different name in your parents' state. Ca	ıll 1-800-4-F	ED-AID to find out the name of the state's	program.	
Did your parents have any of the following items	in 2015			
Check all that apply. Once online, you may be asked	to repor	amounts paid or received by you	r parents.	
Additional Financial Information Untaxed Income				
 □ American Opportunity Tax Credit or Lifetime Learning Tax Credit □ Child support paid □ Taxable earnings from work-study, assistantships or fellowships □ Taxable college grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS □ Combat pay or special combat pay □ Cooperative education program earnings □ Payments to tax-deferred pension and retirement savings plans □ Child support received □ IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE and Keogh □ Tax exempt interest income □ Untaxed portions of IRA distributions □ Untaxed portions of pension distributions □ Untaxed portions of pension distributions 				
Your parents may be asked to provide more information about their assets. Your parents may peed to report the net worth of their current businesses and/or investment farms.				

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SECTION 4 - STUDENT INFORMATION Did you file or will you file a 2015 income tax return? Did you know? ☐ I have already completed my tax return If you file a tax return with the IRS, you may be eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, which is the easiest way to provide accurate tax ☐ I will file, but I have not completed my tax return information. With just a few simple steps, you may be able to view your ☐ I'm not going to file an income tax return tax return information and securely transfer it into FAFSA on the Web. What was your (and spouse's) adjusted gross income for 2015? Skip this question if you or your spouse did not file taxes. Adjusted gross income is on IRS Form 1040—Line 37; 1040A-line 21; or 1040EZ-line 4. The following questions ask about earnings (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2015. Answer the questions whether or not a tax return was filed. This information may be on the W-2 forms, or on the IRS Form 1040—Line 7 + 12 +18 + Box 14 (Code A) of IRS Schedule K-1 (Form 1065); 1040A—line 7; or 1040EZ—line 1. How much did you earn from working in 2015? ☐ Check here if you are a dislocated worker How much did your spouse earn from working in 2015? ☐ Check here if your spouse is a dislocated worker In 2014 or 2015, did anyone in your household receive: (Check all that apply.) ☐ Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) ☐ Supplemental Security Income (SSI) ☐ Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) ☐ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) ☐ Free or Reduced Price School Lunch Note: TANF may have a different name in your state. Call 1-800-4-FED-AID to find out the name of the state's program. Did you or your spouse have any of the following items in 2015? Check all that apply. Once online, you may be asked to report amounts paid or received. **Additional Financial Information Untaxed Income** ☐ Housing, food and other living allowances American Opportunity Tax Credit or Lifetime ☐ Payments to tax-deferred pension and paid to members of the military, clergy Learning Tax Credit retirement savings plans and others ☐ Child support paid ☐ Child support received ☐ Taxable earnings from work-study, assistantships ☐ Veterans noneducation benefits ☐ IRA deductions and payments to selfor fellowships ☐ Other untaxed income not reported, such employed SEP, SIMPLE and Keogh ☐ Taxable college grant and scholarship aid as workers' compensation or disability ☐ Tax exempt interest income reported to the IRS benefits Combat pay or special combat pay ☐ Untaxed portions of IRA distributions ☐ Money received or paid on your behalf Cooperative education program earnings Untaxed portions of pension distributions You may be asked to provide more information about your (and your spouse's) assets. You may need to report the net worth of current businesses and/or investment farms. **NOTES:**

Do not mail this Worksheet. Go to www.fafsa.gov to complete and submit your application.

For more information on federal student aid, visit **StudentAid.gov**. You can also talk with your college's financial aid office about other types of student aid that may be available.

College Students and Parents: What You Need to Know About the 2017–18 FAFSA®

What's changing for 2017-18?

Starting with the 2017–18 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®), these changes will be in effect:

- You'll be able to submit your FAFSA® earlier. You can file your 2017–18 FAFSA as early as Oct. 1, 2016, rather than beginning on Jan. 1, 2017. The earlier submission date will be a permanent change, enabling you to complete and submit a FAFSA as early as October 1 every year.
- You'll use earlier income and tax information. Beginning with the 2017–18 FAFSA, students will be required to report income and tax information from an earlier tax year. For example, on the 2017–18 FAFSA, you—and your parent(s), as appropriate—will report your 2015 income and tax information, rather than your 2016 income and tax information.

The following table provides a summary of key dates as we transition to using the early FAFSA submission timeframe and earlier tax information.

When a Student Is Attending College (School Year)	When a Student Can Submit a FAFSA	Which Year's Income and Tax Information Is Required
July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016	January 1, 2015-June 30, 2016	2014
July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017	January 1, 2016-June 30, 2017	2015
July 1, 2017–June 30, 2018	October 1, 2016–June 30, 2018	2015
July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019	October 1, 2017-June 30, 2019	2016

How will the changes benefit me?

We expect that you'll benefit in these ways:

- Because the FAFSA will ask for older income and tax information, you will already have done your taxes by the time you fill out your FAFSA, and you won't need to estimate your tax information and then go back into the FAFSA later to update it.
- Because you'll already have done your taxes by the time you fill out your FAFSA, you may be able to use
 the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) to automatically import your tax information into your FAFSA. (Learn
 about the IRS DRT at StudentAid.gov/irsdrt.)
- Because the FAFSA is available earlier, you may feel less pressure due to having more time to explore and understand your financial aid options and apply for aid before your state's and school's deadlines.

Will FAFSA deadlines be earlier since the application is launching earlier?

We expect that most state and school deadlines will remain approximately the same as in 2016–17. However, several states that offer first come, first served financial aid will change their deadlines from "as soon as



possible after January 1" to "as soon as possible after October 1." So, as always, it's important that you check your state and school deadlines so that you don't miss out on any aid. State deadlines are on fafsa.gov; school deadlines are on schools' websites.

Since the 2017–18 FAFSA asks for the same tax and income information as the 2016–17 FAFSA, will my 2016–17 FAFSA information automatically be carried over into my 2017–18 renewal FAFSA?

No; too much could have changed since you filed your last FAFSA, and there's no way to predict what might be different, so you'll need to enter the information again. However, keep in mind that many people are eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to automatically import their tax information into the FAFSA, making the process of reporting tax information quick and easy.

Can I choose to report 2016 information if my family's financial situation has changed since our 2015 taxes were filed?

You must report the information the FAFSA asks for. If your family's income has changed substantially since the 2015 tax year, talk to the financial aid office at your school about the family's situation.

Note: The FAFSA asks for marital status as of the day you fill it out. So if you're married now but weren't in 2015 (and therefore didn't file taxes as married), you'll need to add your spouse's income to your FAFSA. Similarly, if you filed your 2015 taxes as married but you're no longer married when you fill out the FAFSA, you'll need to subtract your spouse's income.

Will I receive aid offers earlier if I apply earlier?

Not necessarily; some schools will make offers earlier while others won't. If you're thinking of transferring to another school, you might want to look at the College Scorecard at **collegescorecard.ed.gov** to compare costs at different schools while you wait for your aid offers to arrive. Note: You should be aware that the maximum Federal Pell Grant for 2017–18 won't be known until early 2017, so keep in mind that even if you do receive an aid offer early, it could change due to various factors.

How will I know what schools to list on the FAFSA if I haven't decided which schools I'll be applying to?

List any schools you're considering applying to, and we'll send your FAFSA information to them. Later, if you decide to apply to additional schools that you didn't list on the FAFSA, you can log back in at **fafsa.gov** and add those schools.

Where can I get more information about—and help with—the FAFSA?

Visit **StudentAid.gov/fafsa**; and remember, as you fill out your FAFSA at **fafsa.gov**, you can refer to help text for every question and (during certain times of day) chat online with a customer service representative.

April 2016

Friday, Sept. 23rd, 2016 GRADE 12 ADVISORS – please read to your Advisory class:

October 19th will be Testing Day at Sheldon High School. On this day, all grade 12 students will have the opportunity to attend a College and Career Fair in the Gymnasium and learn first-hand about post-secondary options. This is especially important for those grade 12 students who have not yet met their CRLS (Career Related Learning Experience), which are required for high school graduation. You will be able to satisfying most of your CRLS requirements by attending the College and Career Fair and completing the follow-up Naviance activities.

Many students have already met their CRLS requirements by successfully completing the Career and Technology class; if you have not done this then you will be required to attend the College and Career Fair, complete the activity and do the follow-up Naviance work. You will be receiving a letter home that will review this. If you're unsure of whether of not you have met your CRLS graduation requirements, please see the list I have here. If you have any questions about this, you can see your counselor or assistant principal Beth Richardson.

SENIOR YEAR TIMELINE

SEPTEMBER

- 20th Curriculum Night at Sheldon, Naviance presentation given, highlighting Common App
- □ 26th Portland Christian College Fair, 6-8 PM (Westside High School, Tigard)
- □ 27th Financial Aid Night: 6:30 PM
- □ Check Career Center for upcoming College Visits and College Fairs.
- □ Check your graduation requirements with your counselor. If you are planning on playing sports in college, check the NCAA Clearing House for credit requirements.
- Obtain the SAT SAT Subject ACT schedules and register for your appropriate tests. TAKE the optional writing tests offered with the ACT/SAT. Counselors have waivers for students that quailfy for free and reduced lunch.
- □ Prepare college applications. *Note:* Early decision applications are due around November 1st.
- ☐ Set up senior interview with counselor.
- Contact an Armed Services Recruiter for info if the military is an option you would like to explore.
- Request teacher recommendations Pick up form in Career Center, download from Naviance or on the Career Center Website.
- ☐ APPLY for the FSA ID https://fsaid.ed.gov for the FAFSA

OCTOBER

- □ 1st First Day to apply for FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) www.fafsa.ed.gov
- □ 7th Mid Willamette College Fair, University of Oregon McArthur Court, 9 AM Noon
- □ 14th All School Testing Day: Complete CRLS and Essential Skills tests
- □ 16th College Fair at University of Oregon (9 AM-12 noon) inside McArthur Court
- 20th Attend Post High School Planning Night
- 23rd (9 AM-12 PM) and 24th (1 PM-5 PM)- Portland National College Fair- Oregon Convention Center
- □ 24th National Performing & Visual Arts College Fair at Portland Art Museum (7-9 PM)
- Check Career Center and Naviance for upcoming College Visits and additional College Fairs
- ☐ Attend Open Houses at colleges.
- □ Register for SAT and SAT Subject ACT exams! Watch those deadlines!
- ☐ Continue to work on applications.
- ☐ Check the scholarship bulletins in the Career Center.
- Discuss personal essays with English teachers, parents and others.

NOVEMBER

- □ Attend College Fairs.
- 1 1st College/Career Night at Sheldon, 6:30 PM
- OSAC Scholarship (475 scholarships) window OPENS: Oregon Promise and Chafee Grant
- ☐ Attend Open Houses at colleges.
- □ Speak to College Representatives
- Register for SAT I and SAT II ACT exams retakes! Watch those deadlines!
- □ Continue to work on applications.
- ☐ Check scholarship bulletins for update.

DECEMBER

- □ 14th Attend Financial Aid Night at Sheldon
- Review the SAR (Student Aid Report) to make sure the information is correct. You should receive it four to six weeks after you submit your FAFSA in October.