

Class of 2025 Scholarship & Financial Aid Information

- The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and CADAA (California Dream Act Application) generally opens October 1st each fall. Due to a revision to the FAFSA, the 2025-2026 FAFSA/CADAA applications open December 1, 2024 this year only. (CADAA is available for undocumented/dreamer students). To be considered for Financial Aid, you will apply each year you plan to attend college.
- Seniors can complete and submit FAFSA or CADAA beginning in December 2024, once it is announced they are open. To apply for FAFSA, go to www.FAFSA.gov. For CADAA, go to <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/landing>. Most students will submit FAFSA. If you have a question on which to file, see your counselor. ALL Seniors must file or opt out. See your counselor to opt out.
- Be sure to have your counselor review your FAFSA or CADAA with you before submitting your applications to avoid any errors and delays in processing.
- West High School in partnership with SJ Delta College will host a Cash for College Workshop February 12, 2025 to assist students and families with FAFSA or CADAA.
- Class of 2025 students use parent and student income info from tax year 2023 for their applications.
- Class of 2025 students will apply for the 2025-2026 FAFSA or CADAA application.
- Cal Grant priority deadline is March 2, 2025. There is not a separate Cal Grant application, the state pulls information from the FAFSA or CADAA to determine eligibility.
- NOTE: West High submits Cal Grant GPA information electronically to the state for students. A separate form is not required.
- Scholarship Information is updated as it is received. Visit the College and Career Center page of the West High website and sign up for the Class of 2025 Career Center News & Scholarships Remind App.
- Create a profile with one or more free scholarship websites to receive scholarship opportunities sent directly to you. Pick up a list in the Career Center or view on the College and Career Center webpage.

NOTE: Never pay money to apply for scholarships or to apply for FAFSA/CADAA-this information is available to you for FREE