

FAFSA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is a free form that students use to apply for federal financial aid for college or career school: grants, work-study, and loans.

The FAFSA is the most important step in applying for federal aid. Colleges use FAFSA data to determine a student's eligibility for federal aid, and many states and colleges also use it to award their own aid. Some private aid providers may also use FAFSA information to determine eligibility.

The 2025–26 FAFSA form will be available on December 1, 2024.

See additional information at <https://studentaid.gov/>

WAFSA

The Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA) is for people who don't file a federal FAFSA application. If you have completed the FAFSA, you have already applied for federal and state financial aid and do not need to complete the WASFA unless your college asks you to.

A person should complete the WASFA if they are undocumented or do not qualify for federal financial aid because of their immigration status. The WASFA can also be used in limited circumstances by other select applicants who cannot or choose not to file a FAFSA. People who complete a WASFA are applying only for state aid. If you are eligible for federal aid, you should complete the FAFSA in order to maximize financial aid awards.

See additional information at <https://wsac.wa.gov/wasfa>

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH—GOING MERRY

Federal Public Schools is excited to partner with Going Merry, a scholarship search website! Scholars will be matched to personalized scholarships by filling out their profile. The more complete, the better the matches will be! We are encouraging all scholars to create a profile with their personal email addresses at <https://www.goingmerry.com/> or scan this QR code »



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By using Going Merry, you acknowledge that FWPS is not responsible for the information you choose to submit as the district will not be sharing any student information with Going Merry. The content that you share with Going Merry and the privacy practices they allow with any linked third-party sites, you consent to the collection and use of your information by such third parties at your own risk when you create an account with this resource.

SCHOOL COUNSELORS AND COLLEGE AND CAREER SPECIALISTS

It's important for scholars and families to connect with their school counselor and college and career specialist for graduation and post-secondary planning. Please visit your school's website or scan the QR codes below to access your school's counselor contact information and see information below for each school's college and career specialist.



Decatur High School



Federal Way High School



Thomas Jefferson High School



Todd Beamer High School



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