2025-2026 Financial Aid/Scholarship Presentation

Shawano Community High School

Welcome

- ACP (Academic and Career Planning)
- Timeline and Handouts
- Community Scholarship Booklet
- Dollars for Scholars
- Financial Aid - FAFSA

Handouts and information

Dollars for Scholars - application directions

Financial Aid/FAFSA: (OPEN October 1, 2025)

College Goal WI (free help with FAFSA)

NWTC - Shawano Tuesday, October 21st at 6:00pm

CMN - Keshena Library, November 4th at 6:00pm

How to create an FSA ID

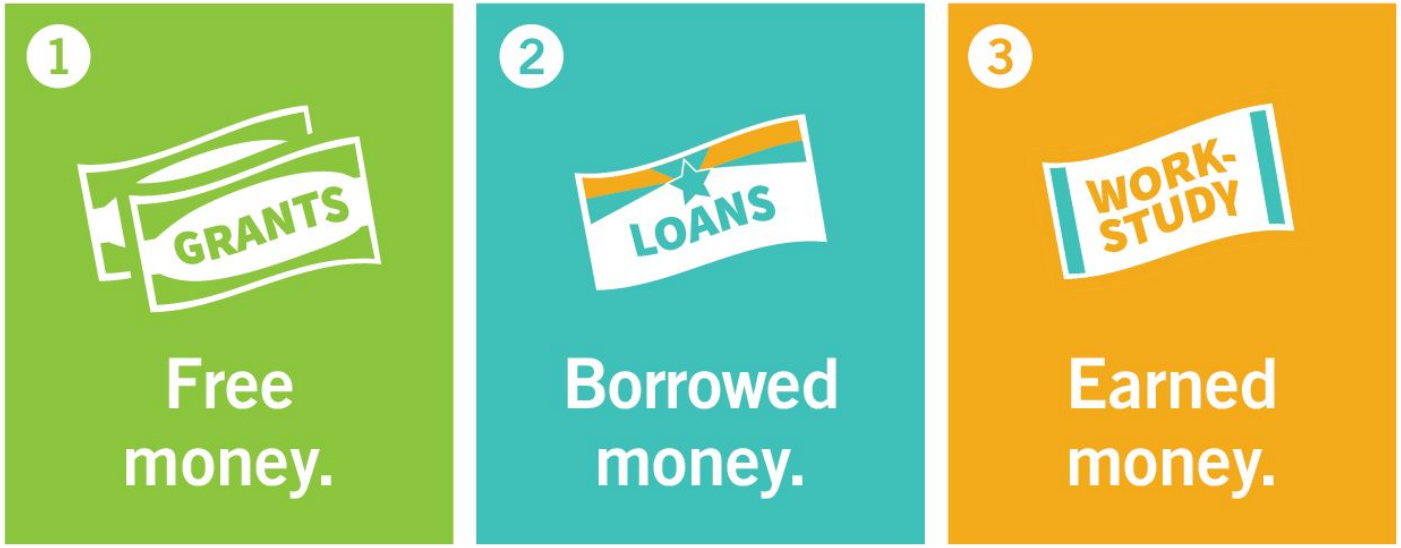
Website - DFS, Community Scholarship Booklet

College websites, Announcements, School Webpage

Academic & Career Planning

- Goal: To help every student graduate high school academically, socially, emotionally, and life ready.
- Middle School & High School activities to help students explore and prepare
- Seniors present their ‘future story’ to their Hawk Time/Homeroom starting in December

3 Types of Federal Student Aid



Grants are usually based on financial need and don't have to be repaid.

Loans are an investment in your future. But remember, they must be repaid with interest.

A **work-study** job lets you earn money while you're in school.

& Scholarships!

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Community Scholarship Booklet

http://www.shawanoschools.com/

Student Services

High School

Information for Seniors

Community Scholarship Booklet (December)

Dollars for Scholars Helpful reminders

- Start your profile now
- Use a personal email address
  - DO NOT use your shawanoschools email address
- Be sure your essay is more than 300 words
- When you complete your profile, be sure to choose the "graduating senior scholarship" and APPLY
- Seek out help before the deadline (March 1, 2026)

Applying for Financial Aid With the **FAFSA® Form**



FAFSA

- studentaid.gov
- Free!
- When you are ready to fill out your FAFSA (opens October 1), you will need the following items:
  - 2024 Federal Tax Return and W2s.
  - 2024 Untaxed Income Records, such as child support or veteran's non-education benefits
  - Information on savings, investments, business assets and farm assets (if applicable)
  - Driver's License (if you have one)
  - Cell phone (if you have one)
  - Social Security Number
  - Alien Registration Card or Permanent Resident Card (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
  - Date of birth for parents
  - Month and year of parents' marriage, divorce or separation

New to FAFSA in 2025

- It’s now shorter (fewer questions).
- It uses the new *Student Aid Index (SAI)* instead of *EFC* (Estimated Family Contribution).
- Parent data comes directly from the IRS using the *Direct Data Exchange (DDX)*.
- FAFSA opened **October 1, 2025**, but processing can take a few weeks early on.

Questions?