

College application and FAFSA deadlines

High school class of 2027 • College entry: fall 2027

Ohio public and private colleges, regional campuses and community colleges, plus nearby western Pennsylvania options.

Research checked September 30, 2026. This is a planning directory with linked official sources. Some schools have published fall 2027 / 2027-28 dates; other entries contain annual guidance, explicitly older dates or a confirmation flag.

Read the status before using a date. An older-cycle date is not a deadline for the class of 2027. The directory does not claim every institution has published or confirmed its 2027 deadline.

Status	Meaning
2027	Official source explicitly identifies fall 2027 or 2027-28.
Annual	Official page gives a recurring or undated month/day. Reconfirm for this cycle.
Prior	Date belongs to an older cycle. Do not carry it forward as a confirmed 2027 date.
Verify	A reliable applicable 2027 date was not established during this review. Contact the school.

Scope: First-year undergraduate degree pathways. Graduate-only institutions, high-school CCP, transfer-only and certificate-only training are not treated as freshman university applications. Related campuses may share one row. Nearby PA means the western PA regions listed in Section 5; distant eastern / central PA schools are outside scope.

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Before students use the tables

Use the 2027-28 FAFSA for fall 2027. It covers July 1, 2027–June 30, 2028 and uses 2025 tax information. The U.S. Department of Education announced that this FAFSA is already available in September 2026. [Official launch announcement](#) • [FAFSA instructions](#)

There are three different aid deadlines: federal, state and school. The federal 2027-28 FAFSA filing deadline is June 30, 2028; this is much later than college priority dates and should not be used as a senior-year planning target. [OSU deadline guidance](#) • [Federal explanation](#)

Ohio residents: Ohio College Opportunity Grant rules give an October 1 FAFSA deadline each year. For 2027-28, YSU's current aid guide identifies October 1, 2027. Eligibility depends on residency, institution and program; the school FAFSA priority may be far earlier. [Ohio grant rule](#) • [2027-28 guide](#)

PA grants: Typical PA State Grant FAFSA deadlines are May 1, with August 1 for certain first-time community-college, technical, hospital-nursing and other eligible applicants. Verify the actual 2027-28 deadline and any additional GrantUs requirements with PHEAA. Ohio students attending a PA college do not automatically become PA grant-eligible. [PA deadline guidance](#) • [PHEAA](#)

Application terms: EA = early action, usually nonbinding. ED = early decision, binding under the college's agreement. RD = regular decision. Rolling means applications are reviewed as received; programs, housing, aid and scholarships can fill earlier.

Suggested personal target: Finish applications and the FAFSA by November 1, 2026 wherever possible. This is a planning goal, not a substitute for an earlier school deadline. Submit one FAFSA per aid year, list all schools being considered, and complete contributor signatures and any requested corrections.

Check the whole file. A school may require its application, transcript, recommendations, portfolio, audition or test materials by the deadline. FAFSA submission alone may not complete the aid file. Schools using the CSS Profile can require it and tax documents on a separate schedule.

For fall 2027 planning, an Annual November / December date would normally fall in 2026; an Annual January–August date would normally fall in 2027. These are planning interpretations until the school confirms this cycle. Prior dates retain their explicitly stated older year.

1 | Ohio public universities — main campuses

All 13 public universities. Priority, scholarship and final application dates are distinguished below. A scholarship priority date is not necessarily the last day to apply for admission.

2027 = explicit cycle • Annual = undated / recurring; recheck • Prior = older cycle • Verify = date not established

School / location	Application deadline / priority	FAFSA / aid priority	Important notes
Akron, University of Akron	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Bowling Green State University Bowling Green	Annual: Apply by March 1 for fall consideration. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority February 18, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Central State University Wilberforce	Annual: August 1 fall application deadline. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: December 1 before entry year. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Cincinnati, University of Cincinnati / Uptown	Annual: EA November 1; rolling admission deadline March 1. Official admissions / guidance	2027: Aid timeline gives November 1 early priority; February 15 final priority for 2027-28. Official aid / guidance	Some other UC pages show December 1. Use the earlier November 1 target and confirm. CCM has separate requirements.
Cleveland State University Cleveland	Annual: March 1 scholarship application priority. Final admission date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 15 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Kent State University Kent	Annual: November 1 admission priority; January 15 merit scholarship priority. General final deadline: 7 days before semester starts. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority January 15, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

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Miami University Oxford	Annual: ED / EA I November 1; EA II December 1; RD February 1. Merit priority December 1. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	ED is binding. Regional campus dates differ.
Ohio State University Columbus	2027: EA November 1, 2026; RD January 15, 2027. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority February 1, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Check specific major and scholarship requirements.
Ohio University Athens	Annual: EA November 15; rolling admission deadline February 1. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA first-priority January 15, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Use freshman dates; continuing-student aid dates may differ.
Shawnee State University Portsmouth	Annual: February 1 admission priority. 2027 scholarship consideration: December 1, 2026 early; February 1, 2027 priority. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority March 1, 2027; final scholarship/FAFSA consideration August 1, 2027. Official aid / guidance	August 1 is an aid/scholarship date, not a verified final general admission date.
Toledo, University of Toledo	Annual: December 15 merit scholarship priority. Final general admission date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority February 1, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Fall 2027 admission page is active; confirm program capacity.
Wright State University Dayton / Fairborn	2027: Priority December 1, 2026; regular February 1, 2027; rolling deadline August 16, 2027. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority February 1, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Youngstown State University Youngstown	2027 application is open. Prior: Fall 2026 final deadline August 1, 2026; 2027 final date must be confirmed. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority December 1, 2026 in the 2027-28 aid guide. Official aid / guidance	Older YSU pages show February 1. Current 2027-28 guide is earlier. Radiologic technology has a separate deadline; see program notes.

2 | Ohio public regional campuses

Regional campuses can have different admission policies from their main campuses. Campuses sharing a policy are grouped, with every campus named. Do not copy a main-campus admission deadline onto a regional campus.

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Akron — Wayne College Orrville	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
BGSU — Firelands Huron	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	2027: BGSU FAFSA priority February 18, 2027; confirm campus/program requirements. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Cincinnati — Blue Ash and Clermont Blue Ash; Batavia	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	2027: UC timeline: November 1 early; February 15 final FAFSA priority. Confirm regional requirements. Official aid / guidance	Use each campus application checklist; Uptown deadlines do not establish every regional program deadline.
Kent State — seven regional campuses Ashtabula; East Liverpool; Geauga; Salem; Stark; Trumbull; Tuscarawas	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	2027: Kent State FAFSA priority January 15, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Gauga includes the Twinsburg Academic Center. Nursing and other selective programs can have separate applications.
Miami — Hamilton and Middletown Hamilton; Middletown	Annual: Fall application August 1; merit scholarship priority February 1. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 1 FAFSA priority. Official aid / guidance	Wilks scholarship February 15; other campus-specific awards differ.

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Ohio State — Agricultural Technical Institute Wooster	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	2027: OSU FAFSA priority February 1, 2027; confirm ATI requirements. Official aid / guidance	ATI admission is separate from the four regional campus application instructions.
Ohio State — four regional campuses Lima; Mansfield; Marion; Newark	2027: Fall application deadline July 15, 2027. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority February 1, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Ohio University — five regional campuses Chillicothe; Eastern (St. Clairsville); Lancaster; Southern (Ironton); Zanesville	Annual: December 1 scholarship priority. Final admission date: verify with campus. Official admissions / guidance	2027: OHIO FAFSA first-priority January 15, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Wright State — Lake Campus Celina	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

3 | Ohio community and technical colleges

All 22 public community/technical colleges are represented, including Rio Grande Community College in Section 4. General entry and selective nursing/health applications differ. A term-based entry does not mean there is no deadline.

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Belmont College St. Clairsville	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Central Ohio Technical College Newark; other centers	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Cincinnati State Technical and Community College Cincinnati	Prior: Fall 2026 application priority July 1, 2026. 2027 date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: Fall 2026 FAFSA priority August 1, 2026. 2027 date: verify. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Clark State College Springfield; Beavercreek	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: May 15 fall FAFSA priority. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Columbus State Community College Columbus; Delaware	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: Fall 2026 FAFSA priority July 17, 2026. 2027 date: verify. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) Cleveland area	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: July 1 fall priority for FAFSA and required documents. Start about 8 weeks before term. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Edison State Community College Piqua; other centers	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.

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Hocking College Nelsonville	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 1 FAFSA priority. Scholarship applications have separate dates. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Lakeland Community College Kirtland	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: FAFSA June 1 for fall; required documents July 1. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Lorain County Community College Elyria	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Marion Technical College Marion	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
North Central State College Mansfield	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual relative rule: FAFSA at least 4 weeks before tuition deadline. Prior fall 2026 FAFSA date June 25, 2026; documents July 9. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Northwest State Community College Archbold	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Owens Community College Perrysburg; Findlay	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Rhodes State College Lima	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: June 1 fall FAFSA priority. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.

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Sinclair Community College Dayton; other centers	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: May 1 FAFSA priority. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Southern State Community College Hillsboro; Mt. Orab	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: Submit FAFSA before June 1 for priority consideration. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Stark State College North Canton; Akron	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: July 1 fall FAFSA priority. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Terra State Community College Fremont	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: January 15 FAFSA priority. March 1 is scholarship priority, not the FAFSA date. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Washington State College of Ohio Marietta	Annual: July 1 fall admission priority; final date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: 2026-27 guide gives July 15 FAFSA and verification priority. 2027 date: verify. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.
Zane State College Zanesville	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm separate admission and deadline for selective programs.

4 | Ohio private colleges and universities

Independent undergraduate colleges, including faith-based, art, music and nursing institutions. These entries cover the AICUO member roster plus Cleveland Institute of Music and Ohio Christian University. Program-specific dates can be earlier than general admission.

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Antioch College Yellow Springs	Annual: Rolling; February 1 preferred application date. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Art Academy of Cincinnati Cincinnati	Prior: Fall 2026 RD May 1, 2026. Fall 2027 date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Ashland University Ashland	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: April 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Aultman College Canton	Prior fall 2026: Radiography / sonography February 1; ASN / BSN / health sciences August 15. Fall 2027: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Baldwin Wallace University Berea	2027: Priority November 1, 2026. Conservatory / fee-waiver deadline January 15, 2027. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	November audition applicants should apply by November 1. Confirm final general admission date.
Bluffton University Bluffton	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: May 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

School / location	Application deadline / priority	FAFSA / aid priority	Important notes
Capital University Bexley / Columbus	Annual: December 1 admission scholarship priority. Final admission date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: March 1 for incoming first-year students. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Case Western Reserve University Cleveland	Annual: EA / ED I November 1; PPSP December 1; ED II / RD January 15. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: EA / ED I November 15; PPSP December 15; ED II January 22; RD February 1. Official aid / guidance	FAFSA plus CSS Profile for institutional need-based aid. ED is binding.
Cedarville University Cedarville	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: File before March 1. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Christ College of Nursing and Health Sciences, The Cincinnati	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm nursing/health program application windows. A scholarship deadline is not necessarily the FAFSA deadline.
Cleveland Institute of Art Cleveland	2027: EA December 1, 2026; RD March 1, 2027; later applications as space allows. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Portfolio requirements apply. Confirm current aid priority directly.
Cleveland Institute of Music Cleveland	2027: Application and prescreening December 1, 2026. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: 2026-27 FAFSA / CSS Profile February 15, 2026. 2027-28 date: verify. Official aid / guidance	Audition scheduling and required materials also apply.
Columbus College of Art & Design Columbus	2027: Priority December 1, 2026; final date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Creative Pathway deadlines are award-specific; confirm the general 2027-28 aid priority.
Dayton, University of Dayton	Annual: EA November 1; RD February 1. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 1 incoming first-year priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

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Defiance College Defiance	Annual: Applications accepted anytime. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: April 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Denison University Granville	Annual: ED I November 15; ED II / RD January 15. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: ED I November 15; ED II / RD January 15. Official aid / guidance	FAFSA plus CSS Profile. Ohio Initiative admission scholarship priority December 1.
Findlay, University of Findlay	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Franciscan University of Steubenville Steubenville	Annual: Rolling; no formal general application deadline. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Franklin University Columbus	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Start-date and program requirements vary; confirm direct-from-high-school pathway.
Gannon University — Ursuline Campus Pepper Pike	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Former Ursuline College; confirm application routing and aid school code during the transition.
Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Science Cincinnati	Verify: Program / term application windows; fall 2027 window not established. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

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Heidelberg University Tiffin	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: General priority not established. Opportunity award has an annual March 15 FAFSA/visit requirement; confirm eligibility. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Hiram College Hiram	Annual: Rolling up to start of semester; subject to availability. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
John Carroll University University Heights	2027: EA November 1, 2026; RD February 1, 2027; later rolling. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: 2026-27 incoming FAFSA priority December 1, 2025. 2027-28 date: verify. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Kenyon College Gambier	Annual: ED I November 15; ED II / RD January 15. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: Current aid page references 2026-27 FAFSA due January 15. Confirm 2027-28. CSS / tax documents: ED I November 15; ED II / RD January 15. Official aid / guidance	CSS Profile required for institutional need-based aid; ED is binding.
Kettering College Kettering	Annual: Eligible BSN / radiologic technology ED January 31; regular BSN / radiologic technology / sonography / respiratory care May 25. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: March 31 priority. Official aid / guidance	Program eligibility and supporting documents apply.
Lake Erie College Painesville	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: December 1 preferred FAFSA date; no hard deadline stated. Official aid / guidance	May 1 on the international admission section is not a verified domestic first-year deadline.
Malone University Canton	Annual: November 15 priority. Final date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

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Marietta College Marietta	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: 2026-27 Promise Award FAFSA priority February 15, 2026. Confirm 2027-28 general and award dates. Official aid / guidance	Choose Ohio First application February 1, 2027 is a separate scholarship deadline.
Mercy College of Ohio Toledo; verify Youngstown program availability	Annual: January 15 competitive priority for eligible direct-from-high-school applicants. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: March 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Selective health programs require separate review.
Mount Carmel College of Nursing Columbus	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: March 15 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Mount St. Joseph University Cincinnati	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: File before March 1. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Mount Union, University of Alliance	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Mount Vernon Nazarene University Mount Vernon	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm residential undergraduate aid deadline, rather than using adult/online program guidance.
Muskingum University New Concord	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Northwestern Ohio, University of Lima	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

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Oberlin College Oberlin	Annual Arts & Sciences: ED I / EA November 1; ED II January 5; RD January 15. Conservatory: separate application / audition schedule. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: RD FAFSA priority January 15. Other aid materials: ED I / EA November 1; ED II January 5; RD January 15. Confirm early-round FAFSA timing. Official aid / guidance	CSS Profile and supporting documents required for institutional need-based aid. Confirm conservatory separately.
Ohio Christian University Circleville	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: April 15 preferred date. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Ohio Dominican University Columbus	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 15 priority. Official aid / guidance	Early Assurance PA program has separate selection deadlines.
Ohio Northern University Ada	Annual: Rolling admission. Pharmacy priority December 1. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Ohio Wesleyan University Delaware	Annual: ED November 15; scholarship priority January 15; RD March 1. Verify any EA round. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: December 1 suggested FAFSA target. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Otterbein University Westerville	Annual: December 15 priority application date. Official admissions / guidance	2027: FAFSA priority January 31, 2027. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Rio Grande, University of / Rio Grande Community College Rio Grande	Annual: Open enrollment; term / selective-program dates must be confirmed. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Private university and public community college share facilities; verify degree pathway and aid code.
Tiffin University Tiffin	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

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Walsh University North Canton	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: 2026-27 FAFSA priority May 1, 2026. 2027-28 date: verify. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Wilberforce University Wilberforce	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Older catalog FAFSA dates were not treated as current 2027 deadlines.
Wilmington College Wilmington	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: March 15 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Wittenberg University Springfield	Annual: Rolling admission; contact admissions after May 1. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: March 1 new-student FAFSA priority on the current financial aid page. Official aid / guidance	Older toolkits show February 15; use an early filing target and confirm.
Wooster, College of Wooster	2027: EA / ED I November 1, 2026; ED II January 15, 2027; RD February 15, 2027. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: December 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	ED is binding.
Xavier University Cincinnati	2027 application is open. Prior admission page shows RD February 2 with older-cycle references; confirm 2027 dates. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

5 | Pennsylvania near Mahoning County — universities and colleges

Nearby is interpreted as western Pennsylvania: the Shenango Valley, Beaver area, Slippery Rock, Meadville, Erie, Pittsburgh and surrounding southwestern counties. These are regional options, not a claim that every campus is a daily commute. PA state-grant dates generally apply to eligible PA residents, not automatically to Ohio residents.

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Allegheny College Meadville	Annual: ED November 1; EA I December 1; EA II February 1; RD February 15. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: February 15 incoming-student aid priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Carlow University Pittsburgh	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: May 1 traditional undergraduate priority. Official aid / guidance	Older catalog gives March 15; current grants page gives May 1. File early and confirm.
Carnegie Mellon University Pittsburgh	Current published round dates: ED November 2; RD January 4; Drama / Music RD December 1. Confirm fall 2027 cycle. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: FAFSA + CSS Profile preferred ED November 15; RD February 15. Official aid / guidance	College-specific portfolios, auditions and eligibility rules apply.
Chatham University Pittsburgh	Annual: Rolling admission. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Duquesne University Pittsburgh	Annual: EA November 15; RD January 15. Physician Assistant Studies application November 15. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: School recommends filing as soon as possible; exact 2027-28 priority date not established. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Gannon University Erie	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	2027 PA program application priority October 15, 2026; see program notes. This is not the general application deadline.

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Geneva College Beaver Falls	2027 application available. Final general date: verify. Honors deadline January 23, 2027. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Institution priority not established; school timeline includes PA-resident grant dates. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Grove City College Grove City	Annual: ED November 1; RD March 15; later applications if space remains. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: College need-based aid uses CSS Profile, due April 15 (next business day if weekend). FAFSA follows applicable state-residency deadline. Official aid / guidance	College does not participate in federal student aid. FAFSA can be needed for allowable state aid; do not treat April 15 CSS deadline as FAFSA deadline.
La Roche University Pittsburgh / McCandless	Annual: November 1 preferred fall application; applications accepted anytime. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: April 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Mercyhurst University Erie	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	PA state-grant dates listed in aid guidance are not a verified universal institutional FAFSA deadline.
Penn State — Beaver Monaca	Annual: EA November 1; then rolling, subject to availability. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: December 1 FAFSA priority; confirm 2027-28. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Penn State — Behrend Erie	Annual: EA November 1; then rolling, subject to availability. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: December 1 FAFSA priority; confirm 2027-28. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Penn State — Greater Allegheny McKeesport	Annual: EA November 1; then rolling, subject to availability. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: December 1 FAFSA priority; confirm 2027-28. Official aid / guidance	Shenango, New Kensington and Fayette close after spring 2027; see campus-status notes.

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Pennsylvania Western University (PennWest) California; Clarion; Edinboro	Annual: Rolling admission. Nursing priority December 15. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: Fall 2026 FAFSA priority February 15, 2026. 2027-28 date: verify. Official aid / guidance	All three campuses named; confirm nursing application and campus availability.
Pittsburgh, University of — Greensburg Greensburg	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: March 1 FAFSA priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Pittsburgh, University of — Pittsburgh campus Pittsburgh	2027 application open. Rolling; no hard general deadline. Annual: December 1 scholarship consideration priority. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Selective programs and guaranteed-admission pathways may have earlier dates.
Point Park University Pittsburgh	2027 application available. Final general date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Prior: Official aid-deadline page gives fall 2025 priority May 1, 2025; other older pages differ. Confirm 2027-28 directly. Official aid / guidance	Conservatory auditions / portfolios can have separate schedules.
Robert Morris University Moon Township	2027 application available. Final general date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: School states no institutional FAFSA priority deadline; file early. State-grant eligibility dates still apply. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Saint Vincent College Latrobe	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: May 1 priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Seton Hill University Greensburg	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check selective programs and arts audition requirements.
Slippery Rock University Slippery Rock	Annual: December 1 admitted-student scholarship priority. Final admission date: verify. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

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Thiel College Greenville	2027: Rolling admission for fall 2027. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Washington & Jefferson College Washington	Annual: ED December 1; RD April 1. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	ED is binding.
Waynesburg University Waynesburg	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 deadline with admissions. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Westminster College New Wilmington	Annual: ED November 1; EA December 15; rolling RD March 1; later if space. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: School FAFSA priority not established. Do not substitute PA state-grant May 1 for school priority. Official aid / guidance	Apply page gives December 15 EA; another page differs. Confirm before submitting.

6 | Nearby Pennsylvania community colleges

General enrollment is often term-based, while nursing and other limited-seat programs have separate deadlines. State-grant deadlines depend on residency and program type.

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Butler County Community College Butler; BC3 @ Lawrence Crossing, New Castle; BC3 @ LindenPointe, Hermitage	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Annual foundation scholarship application closes July 1; FAFSA is required. Confirm 2027 scholarship cycle.
Community College of Allegheny County Pittsburgh area	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual: May 1 FAFSA priority. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Community College of Beaver County Monaca	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.
Erie County Community College (EC3) Erie	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Current FAQ recommends new students file ASAP; a fall 2027 first-year priority date is not established. Official aid / guidance	Confirm current school code and aid processing arrangements with EC3.
Westmoreland County Community College Youngwood; other centers	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	RISE program priorities are separate from general admission and FAFSA requirements.

7 | Additional Ohio faith-based and career institutions

Additional degree pathways below use specialized eligibility, program or cohort admission. Dates are not inferred from traditional universities. This supplemental section is not an exhaustive directory of every occupational training provider, hospital diploma school or national online college.

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School / location	Application deadline / priority	FAFSA / aid priority	Important notes
ATA College — Cincinnati area Cincinnati area	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Allegheny Wesleyan College Salem	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
American Institute of Alternative Medicine Columbus	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Athena Career Academy Toledo	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Bryant & Stratton College — Ohio campuses Cleveland / Akron area	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.

School / location	Application deadline / priority	FAFSA / aid priority	Important notes
Chamberlain University — Ohio locations Ohio nursing campuses	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual guidance: Submit FAFSA within 2 weeks of admission application; confirm cohort requirements. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
DeVry University — Ohio location / online Ohio / online	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Fortis College — four Ohio campuses Centerville; Cincinnati; Cuyahoga Falls; Westerville	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Galen College of Nursing — Cincinnati Cincinnati	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
God's Bible School and College Cincinnati	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Herzing University — Akron Akron	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.

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Hondros College of Nursing Ohio campuses	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Ohio Business College Ohio campuses; degree and diploma tracks vary	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Ohio Technical College Cleveland	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Pontifical College Josephinum Columbus	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Seminary admission requires appropriate sponsorship / vocational eligibility; not a general undergraduate application.
Professional Skills Institute Maumee	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Remington College — Cleveland Cleveland	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.

School / location	Application deadline / priority	FAFSA / aid priority	Important notes
Rosedale Bible College Irwin	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Annual guidance: FAFSA as soon as possible; scholarship application May 1. Confirm 2027-28. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Stautzenberger College Maumee; Brecksville	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.
Valor Christian College Columbus	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm active campus, degree eligibility, start date and financial-aid participation before applying.

8 | Additional nearby Pennsylvania technical colleges

These nearby technical-college options have program or cohort admission rather than a single traditional fall freshman deadline. Confirm the degree pathway, start date and financial aid timetable.

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School / location	Application deadline / priority	FAFSA / aid priority	Important notes
Penn Commercial Business / Technical School Washington	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Confirm whether the chosen program awards a degree, diploma or certificate and its aid eligibility.
Rosedale Technical College Pittsburgh	Verify: Confirm fall 2027 term and program deadlines. Official admissions / guidance	Verify: Confirm 2027-28 FAFSA priority with aid office; file early. Official aid / guidance	Check program requirements.

Program exceptions and campus status

Youngstown State radiologic technology: Application deadline February 5, 2027 at 4 p.m.; TEAS deadline January 22, 2027. This is a selective-program deadline in addition to university admission. [Official program requirements](#)

Gannon physician assistant: Fall 2027 priority application October 15, 2026. Do not use this date for every Gannon major. [Official PA requirements](#)

Arts and health programs: CIM prescreening, BW conservatory, CIA / CCAD portfolios, Oberlin conservatory, CMU drama/music, Point Park conservatory and nursing/allied-health programs may require earlier or additional materials. Confirm the specific program rather than relying only on a university's general deadline.

Penn State Shenango, New Kensington and Fayette: These nearby campuses are scheduled to close after spring 2027 and are not fall 2027 first-year options. Beaver, Behrend and Greater Allegheny are listed among continuing nearby campuses. [Official campus future information](#) • [Shenango admissions](#)

Lourdes University: Closed in August 2026; no new fall 2027 first-year application deadline is listed. [Official closure notice](#)

Modern College of Design: Announced closure June 23, 2026; not listed as a new fall 2027 option. [Official school notice](#)

Graduate-only / later-entry pathways: NEOMED, AFIT, graduate seminaries, Antioch University completion programs and Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science do not share the ordinary direct-from-high-school freshman pathway used in these tables. Students interested in these fields should ask about prerequisite undergraduate study and the program's separate admission cycle.

How to confirm flagged entries

For every school marked **Verify** or **Prior**, open the linked official page or call its admissions / financial aid office. Ask: “For a new first-year student graduating high school in 2027 and entering in fall 2027, what is the application deadline, the scholarship priority deadline and the 2027-28 FAFSA priority deadline? Are supporting documents required by those dates?”

If applying ED, also ask whether the aid application must be complete before the ED decision and which CSS Profile / tax-document deadlines apply. If entering nursing, music, art or another selective major, ask for the program’s separate application and materials deadline.

Source and coverage note: This directory was compiled from official admissions pages, financial aid pages, catalogs and institutional guides, checked September 30, 2026. The [AICUO college roster](#) helped identify independent Ohio colleges. The public sections include Ohio’s 13 universities, their named regional campuses and 22 community/technical colleges. Supplemental career institutions are included as additional options, with unverified date fields clearly marked. This is not an exhaustive inventory of every licensed career school or training center.

When official pages disagreed, the entry records the conflict or relies on the explicitly named 2027-28 / fall 2027 source. Returning-student dates, international dates, scholarship-only dates and PA resident state-grant dates were not silently substituted for first-year school FAFSA dates.

Remaining work: Confirmation is still required for flagged institutions and for each applicant’s chosen major. An unverified date does not mean the school has no deadline. Recheck annual dates before distributing a final student-specific checklist.

Student deadline checklist

College / major	Application + materials	Scholarship priority	FAFSA / CSS / documents	Confirmed on / by