



5 Reasons You Should Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

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The FAFSA is an entry way to all college funding opportunities.

Colleges use the FAFSA to fully analyze student eligibility for institutional aid and offer opportunities such as federal work-study.

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The FAFSA form provides families with an educated snapshot of their ability to afford college.

Completing the FAFSA creates a Student Aid Report, which highlights the Expected Family Contribution (EFC). The report alerts families to financial gaps.

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The FAFSA can be used to receive and keep Georgia HOPE Scholarship dollars and other state-based aid.

The Georgia Student Finance Commission allows students to submit their FAFSA form as one of the acceptable documents to qualify for HOPE.

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Completing the FAFSA aids in a smooth transition from high school to college.

Data from the National Center of Education Statistics suggests 90% of high school FAFSA completers enroll directly in a postsecondary program.

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Completing the FAFSA can highlight your eligibility for scholarships.

The Student Aid Report created from completing the FAFSA is used by outside scholarships to help validate the applicants' financial need.



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