

Financial Aid Planning Tips for High School Students Affected by the Coronavirus

The coronavirus/COVID-19 outbreak is affecting the lives of students in many ways. It may have interrupted your college planning and created concerns about your financial aid. This flyer addresses some common financial aid concerns of graduating high school students related to efforts to stop the spread of the virus.

FAFSA Completion

If you are a high school senior and have not yet [completed your FAFSA](#), there is still time. You and at least one parent will need an FSA ID, which you can create when you begin the FAFSA or at studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/

FAFSA Completion Assistance

This Mapping Your Future [webinar](#) offers instructions on completing the 2020-21 FAFSA. Students and parents may also call 1-800-374-4072 for assistance.

Already Completed Your FAFSA?

Remember to check your Student Aid Report (SAR), available a few days after you submitted your FAFSA. The SAR will provide an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) and provide instructions if there are any changes that need to be made. Go to studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa, log in with your FSA ID, on the “My FAFSA” page, select “view” my Student Aid Report (SAR).

Grants and Scholarships

In most cases, you do not have repay grants and scholarships after graduation. For tips on scholarship application strategies, view our online webinar at mappingyourfuture.org/media/2020-02-06-Scholarship-Strategies.mov

Other Online Resources

- Scholarship Tracking Sheet
mappingyourfuture.org/Downloads/MappingYourFuture_Scholarship_Tracking.xlsx
- Scholarship Tips and Resources flyer
mappingyourfuture.org/downloads/Freescholarshipsearchresourcesflyer.pdf
- Money Management for Students
mappingyourfuture.org/downloads/DPandMMStudentsBorrowers.ppt
- ABC's of Being a Good Student
mappingyourfuture.org/services/memberresourcereg.cfm?mediaID=153

If you or someone you know has any financial aid questions, please feel free to contact Brad Williams at College OPTIONS – bwilliams@collegeoptions.org or 530-768-5103.