

EGHS FAFSA Workshops
Thursday 2/11/16 5-7pm
Friday 2/12/16 10am-12pm

FAFSA Checklist

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

The FAFSA is the universal application for financial aid at all eligible colleges and universities. It's available in English or Spanish at www.fafsa.gov. All students (U.S. Citizens or Not) planning to go to college need to fill out the FAFSA.

Students and families are required to complete the FAFSA as early as possible every year the student plans to attend higher education.

- *For a January 2016 graduate with plans to begin college in Spring 2016: you must complete FAFSA with your 2014 tax information if your 2015 aren't complete yet.
- *For a June 2016 graduate with plans to begin college in Fall 2016: you must complete FAFSA after completing your 2015 taxes. The earliest you can complete the FAFSA is January 1st.

To submit your FAFSA, you will need to gather the following information:

- ___ Social Security Numbers or DACA Number for *you and parent* if applicable. (Students **must** be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident to receive Federal aid. Non-U.S. Citizens **may** be eligible for institutional aid in Colorado. Parent **does not need** to be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident for you to apply or receive aid)
- ___ Driver's license if you have one
- ___ Birthdays: Month/Day/Year (*parent and student*)
- ___ Student's alien registration or permanent resident card (#) (if applicable)
- ___ Student's Federal tax information or tax returns (1040)
- ___ Parent's Federal tax information or tax returns (1040)
- ___ Student's earned income for most recent tax year (W-2 Forms)
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Tip: if taxes have not been filed yet, use previous year's taxes or estimated tax information)
- ___ Date and year your biological parents were married and/or divorced
Tip: you will need to supply stepparent's financial information if parent is remarried.
- ___ Untaxed income records (*parent and student if applicable*). Could include:
 - Social Security benefits
 - Veterans benefits records
 - Disability benefits records
 - Interest Income
 - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
 - Child Support
 - Worker's Compensation
- ___ Current savings and checking bank statements/dollar amounts (*parent and student*)
- ___ Business and investment mortgage (not your home in which you live and only if greater than 100 employees) information, business and farm records (if not primary resident), stock, bond, and *other investment records*
- ___ FAFSA pin # (*parent and student... get parent permission to create a pin if they haven't recently applied to FAFS themselves*)