

Hello Senior & Parent/Caregiver of a Senior,

If you are planning to apply for financial aid for college, please continue to read the rest of this message.

### **Applying for Financial Aid:**

- Complete and submit the FAFSA when it becomes available in December
  - <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>
  - For questions or help completing the FAFSA, contact The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation via email at [resourcecenter@vsac.org](mailto:resourcecenter@vsac.org) or call (802) 655-9602 or 800-642-3177
  - CVU will be hosting a Forms Night, with the support of VSAC, to help families complete the FAFSA application on **Wednesday, January 24, 2024**. More information will be shared as the event gets closer.
- Complete and submit the CSS profile as soon as possible (**IF needed**)-
  - <https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/>
  - Check to see if your colleges are on the list of schools that require the CSS Profile <https://profile.collegeboard.org/profile/ppi/participatingInstitutions.aspx>
- Apply for the Vermont State Grant
  - <https://www.vsac.org/pay/student-aid-options/grants>
  - <https://secureacctaccess.vsac.org/myvsac/>

### **Scholarship Information:**

- There are Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) booklets available in the Direction Center. Come pick up a hard copy of the booklet to preview over 100 scholarships to see if you might qualify. Or view the booklet online.
  - <https://www.vsac.org/pay/student-aid-options/scholarships>
- Please continue to check your Naviance account for a list of other scholarship opportunities. If you click on the "colleges" tab, then "scholarship search" you'll see our scholarship list. There is a growing list of scholarships housed there which is continually updated as we receive information on other opportunities. Some are small (although every little bit helps) and some are quite big. At this point, it would be worth checking semi-regularly. However, after the new year, it would be beneficial for you to check on a weekly basis as more scholarships are offered at that point in the year.

### **General Information:**

- Check out VSAC's website for more information about financial aid opportunities
  - <https://www.vsac.org/pay/applying-online-financial-aid>
- If you need any assistance with an application or require any forms, including a transcript or recommendation for a scholarship, please make your requests via email at least two weeks prior to your deadline.
- Be sure to check your colleges' financial aid websites for deadlines and other scholarship/grant opportunities.
- Check out our recent **Managing College Costs** virtual event with VSAC's Carrie Harlow
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JSODVKeGaYI>