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## The FAFSA

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### What is the FAFSA?

The U.S. Department of Education uses the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to evaluate a family's eligibility for federal student financial aid programs such as the Pell Grant, Work-Study, and federal student loans. Detailed information on federal student aid programs is available at [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov).

Many other organizations also use it to determine eligibility for their financial aid programs. The ACPE uses information from the FAFSA to award:

- the Alaska Education Grant
- the Alaska Performance Scholarship

It is also required to qualify for many campus-based and private scholarships.

### Complete the FAFSA Now!

Applying is fast, safe, free and easy at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).



January 1st through February 15th (starting in your senior year in high school) is the best time to submit your FAFSA. However, some institutions have earlier FAFSA deadlines – *check with your financial aid office to find out*.

Did you know you can file the FAFSA before your taxes? You can use estimated information to meet deadlines, and file a correction once your taxes are complete.

Many programs also have later deadlines. The deadline to file a FAFSA for the Alaska Performance Scholarship and Alaska Education Grant is June 30. Don't hesitate to file your FAFSA later in the year even if you missed the best time to file - you may still qualify for some aid.

Remember that you need to submit a new FAFSA every year while you attend school. Fill out your FAFSA at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

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