

# Your Financial Aid Timeline

Stay on track this year by noting these important financial aid and scholarship dates.

## September

- Create an FSA ID at [StudentAid.gov/fsa-id](https://StudentAid.gov/fsa-id)
- Note any upcoming financial aid deadlines.
- Sign up for any financial aid workshops your school offers.
- Research and apply for scholarships.

## October

- Fill out the CSS Profile® if your school requires it to apply for nonfederal aid.
- Gather your financial and tax information so you can easily fill out the FAFSA® (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).

## November

- It's **National Scholarship Month!** Visit [DiscoverStudentLoans.com/Search](https://DiscoverStudentLoans.com/Search) to search over 4 million scholarships worth more than \$22 billion.

## December

- Fill out the FAFSA as soon as it becomes available this month.
- Make sure the FAFSA is sent to all schools you're applying to.
- Review your early decision financial aid packages, if applicable.

## January

- Complete the FAFSA as soon as possible if you haven't already.
- Review your FAFSA Submission Summary and correct any errors.

## February

- Search over 4 million scholarships worth more than \$22 billion at [DiscoverStudentLoans.com/Search](https://DiscoverStudentLoans.com/Search)

## March

- Head to [CollegeCovered.com/Award-Letter-Tool](https://CollegeCovered.com/Award-Letter-Tool) to compare award letter offers.
- If your financial circumstances have changed, you can appeal your package with your financial aid office.

## May 1

- It's **National Decision Day!** Notify the school you plan to attend and deposit no later than today.

## June 30

- Last day to apply for the FAFSA for those already in college and seeking financial aid for the year you've just completed.



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