Month-by-Month Calendar: FAFSA Support At-A-Glance

AUGUST

Create a calendar with FAFSA deadlines and support events.

Connect with existing and new partners who can work one-on-one with students.

Begin communicating information to students and families. Have a physical presence at open house events to put FAFSA info directly into families' hands.

SEPTEMBER

Train your partners and staff so they're ready to support FAFSA completion.

Publish your FAFSA event calendar for staff, partners, families and students.

Make sure your team is up to date with this year's FAFSA process.

Help your students create FSA IDs.

OCTOBER

FAFSA opens October 1. Hold a community-driven kickoff event to start the season with energy! Ramp up reminder texts, emails and outreach to families.

Sign up to get student-level completion data.

NOVEMBER

Identify students who need some extra support and reach out.

Hold FAFSA completion events: large and small, on- and off-campus, and with one on one support.

Help early-decision applicants meet their FAFSA deadlines.

Educate your team on supporting students with interpreting offers and making appeals.

DECEMBER - MAY

Reach out to students who haven't yet completed the FAFSA.

Assist students with appeals, FAFSA verification and interpreting aid offers.

JUNE - JULY

Get those last few students to complete the FAFSA. Make a plan for summer outreach.

Reflect on the past school year's FAFSA work to inform the next.

FOCUS ON:



SCHOOL STAFF



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP



FAMILY OUTREACH



STUDENT SUPPORTS

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