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Opens December 2023 - Official Date TBD

Overview

The only way to qualify for Federal Financial Aid AND the Michigan Achievement Scholarship is to fill out the FAFSA. Complete the steps below in order to determine what you are eligible for.

Summary

FAFSA Release Date	**No later than December 31, 2023 (Future years will be October 1)**
What should I do right now?	1. **Students: Create a FAFSA account username and password** 2. **Parents (known as contributors): Create a FAFSA account username and password** 3. **Optional: Use this worksheet, compliments of Oakland University, to keep track of your account info. Click Here**
What will You need when filling out FAFSA?	1. **FSA ID (step above) needs to be created one week in advance of filling out the FAFSA form.** 2. **Social Security Number** 3. **Provide consent and approval for FAFSA to transfer Federal tax information directly from the IRS. (For veteran parents, you no longer input your tax information. The transfer is now required.)** 4. **Other financial information. Ex: 529 plans, investments, current bank account balances, etc.** ***See this FAFSA Checklist for a complete list of items needed to complete the FAFSA**
Next Steps - After FAFSA completed by student and contributor(s)	1. **Return to studentaid.gov to review the status of your application (a link will be delivered via the student's email). It will take at least 24 hours for the application to be approved.** 2. **Five days after completing the FAFSA, students should create a MISSG Student Portal Account to check eligibility for the Michigan Achievement Scholarship (new in 2023). It's estimated approximately 80% of MI students attending an in-state program will be eligible.** 3. **Complete the Genesee Opportunity Scholarship Application (if you have not already completed)** 4. **Apply for outside scholarships and/or college/university scholarships** 5. **Link to Scholarships FHS has currently listed**
Need Support?	1. **Youtube videos from Studentaid.gov** 2. **Types of Financial Aid** 3. **Resources compliments of Oakland Univesity (free to anyone)**