# 2022-23 PHEAA Financial Aid Webinar Series for Educators



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# Breaking Down Barriers to Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Completion

September 21, 2022

Completing the FAFSA is critical for students to apply for financial aid to help pay for higher education. Yet, many students and families don't complete the form due to misconceptions about the form and process or have unusual circumstances that prevent them from completing the form. We will discuss the various barriers and the assistance you can provide to help your students and families succeed in completing the FAFSA.

# 2023-24 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Overview & Updates

October 19, 2022

PHEAA's Higher Education Access Partners will guide attendees through the process of filing the FAFSA. They will provide an overview of the necessary requirements in order to complete both the FAFSA and PA State Grant application as well as provide updates for the 2023-24 year.

#### **Advising Refugee and Migrant Students**

November 16, 2022

Navigating the college and financial aid process can be overwhelming and difficult for any student. Refugee and immigrant students face additional barriers such as language acquisition, cultural differences, and immigration policies. This presentation will discuss strategies to address these barriers so you can best advise and connect your students to the necessary resources. Hear how the presenters have been helping their students reach their postsecondary goals.

#### **Overview of PHEAA Special Programs**

December 21, 2022

Did you know, that in addition to the PA State Grant program, PHEAA administers a number of Special Programs? These programs provide resources to assist students in paying for postsecondary education. Join PA State Grant and Special Programs staff as they provide an overview of PHEAA's Special Programs, including eligibility and application requirements.

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### **FAFSA Simplification**

January 18, 2023

Join us as we discuss the FAFSA Simplification Act, which passed on Dec. 27, 2020 as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021. We will provide an overview of the significant changes to the 2024-25 FAFSA and what these changes may mean for students and families when applying for financial aid.

#### **Promoting QuestBridge in Pennsylvania**

February 15, 2023

QuestBridge aims to increase the percentage of talented low-income students attending the nation's best colleges and to support them to achieve success in their careers and communities. The College Prep Scholars Program equips high-achieving high school juniors from low-income backgrounds with the knowledge, confidence, and resources to apply to top colleges. Learn more about the upcoming deadline and how to promote QuestBridge to your students.

### **Financial Literacy**

March 15, 2023

Learn about a variety of approaches to financial education, including how and why some districts require a standalone course in personal finance for graduation. Discover free resources available from The Making Cents Project, the Pennsylvania Department of Education and Penn State University's cooperative financial education effort. These include professional development opportunities for educators, a K-12 personal finance instructional framework and model high school course, and curriculum consultation services available to districts at no charge.

## Covering the Gap -pieces of the puzzle to help pay the bill

April 19, 2023

Understanding the college bill can be confusing, whether you're trying to address the costs or beginning to plan for higher education. This webinar will emphasize best practices (such as seeking grants and scholarships first), remind families about additional resources (such as payment plans), and review private/alternative loans as a last resort in the process of covering the Gap and keeping balances affordable.

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