



**FAFSA/Federal Update**

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# Federal Update



# Who's Who





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## Higher Education Act Reauthorization Due



# Streamlined FAFSA



## Pathway One

Low-income families participating in means-tested benefit programs do not need to provide financial information.



## Pathway Two

Families with straightforward taxes will see a FAFSA approximately half the length of the current form.



## Pathway Three

Families filing tax schedules will answer the most questions – still far fewer than are on the current form. These students answer just two more questions than their middle-income counterparts.



## State Page

States will have the option to use a State Page for non-financial questions.



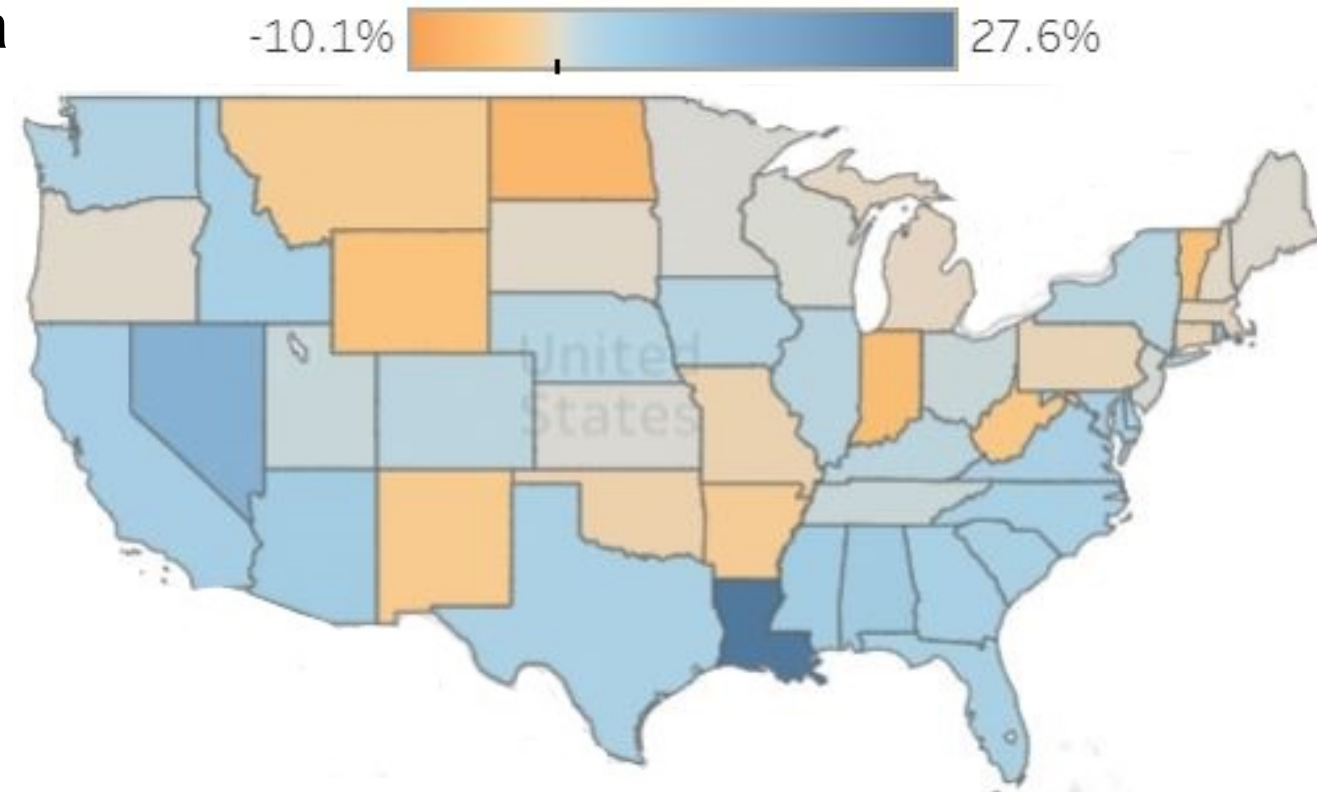


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# FAFSA Tracker

- FSA & WICHE Data
- Weekly Updates
- Year-Over-Year
- National, State, City level data
- Friendly competition!

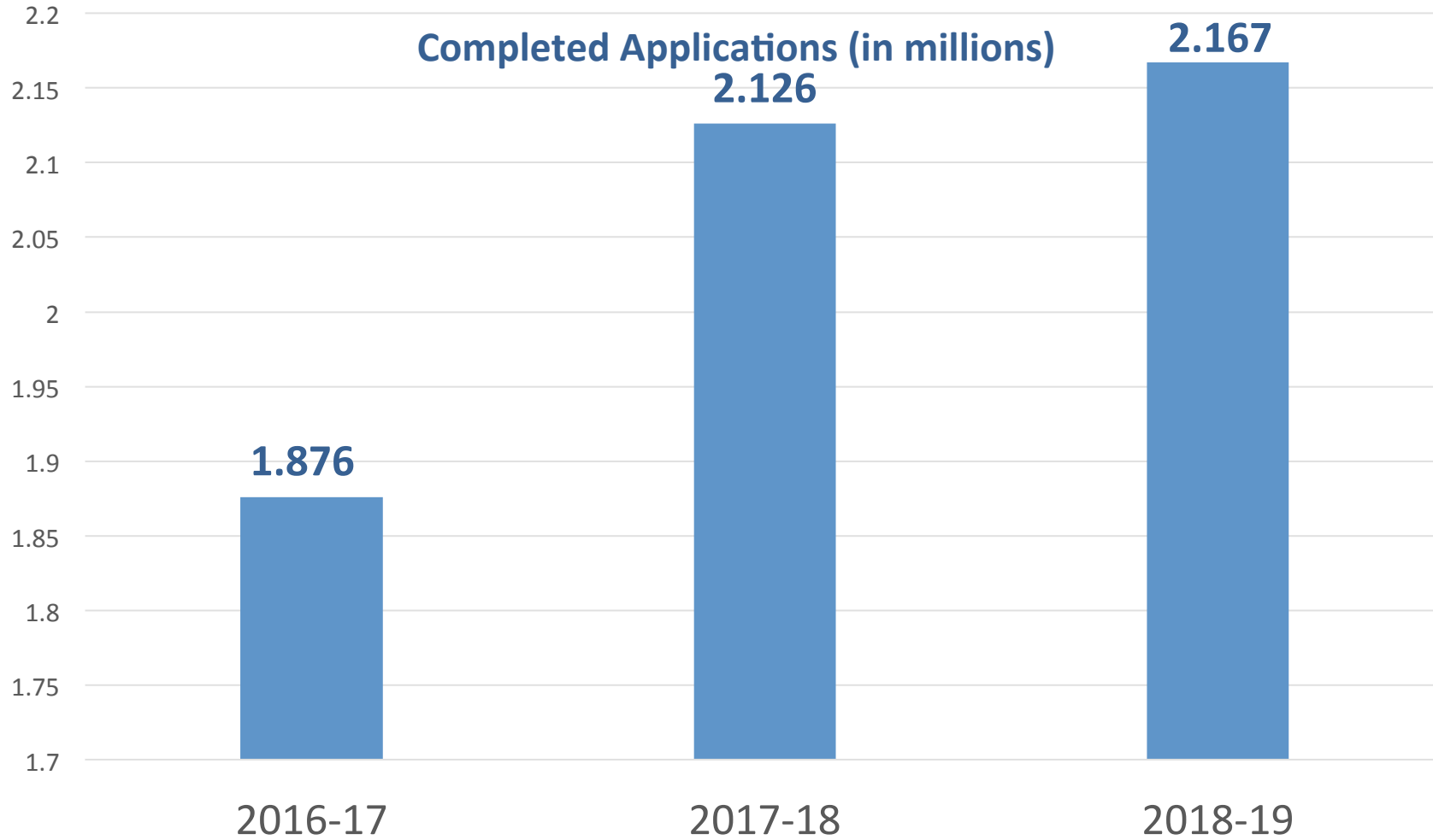
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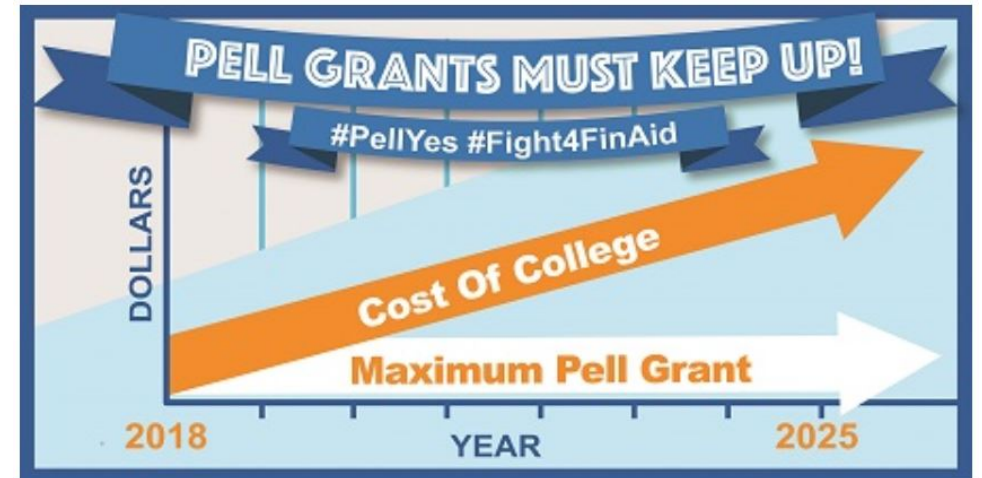
# National FAFSA Completion





# Appropriations

- **FY18 Victories**
  - 3% Increase for Pell
  - 15% for SEOG
  - 14% for FWS
- **FY19**
  - House: Flat-funding across the board
  - Senate: Flat-funding for FWS, SEOG
    - \$100 increase for Pell
  - Conference Expected Post-Midterms





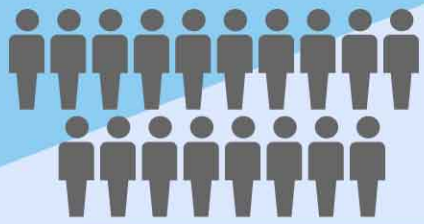


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# Immigration

- DACA Rescission
- Discharge Petition
- GOP Leadership Intervention
- “Consensus Bill” & “Goodlatte Bill”
- Border Crisis

OF 1.8 MILLION LOW-INCOME HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS



968K WILL SUBMIT A FAFSA

MORE THAN 45% OF LOW-INCOME SENIORS MAY NOT SUBMIT A FAFSA



# THE LEAKY FAFSA PIPELINE

## PATHWAY OF LOW-INCOME STUDENTS THROUGH THE FAFSA PROCESS

817K WILL COMPLETE A FAFSA

409K 50% ARE SELECTED FOR VERIFICATION

90K OR 22% OF THOSE SELECTED FOR VERIFICATION WILL EXPERIENCE "VERIFICATION MELT."



728K STUDENTS ARE AWARDED A PELL GRANT

180K 180K OR 25% OF THOSE WHO ARE AWARDED A PELL GRANT WILL EXPERIENCE "SUMMER MELT."



### TOP REASONS FOR NOT SUBMITTING A FAFSA

- 1: DO NOT KNOW HOW OR THAT THEY COULD
- 2: ARE DEBT AVERSE OR THINK CREDIT IS TOO LOW
- 3: ARE NOT PURSUING COLLEGE
- 4: THE FORM IS TOO COMPLICATED

# 548K



(1 FIGURE REPRESENTS 100K STUDENTS)

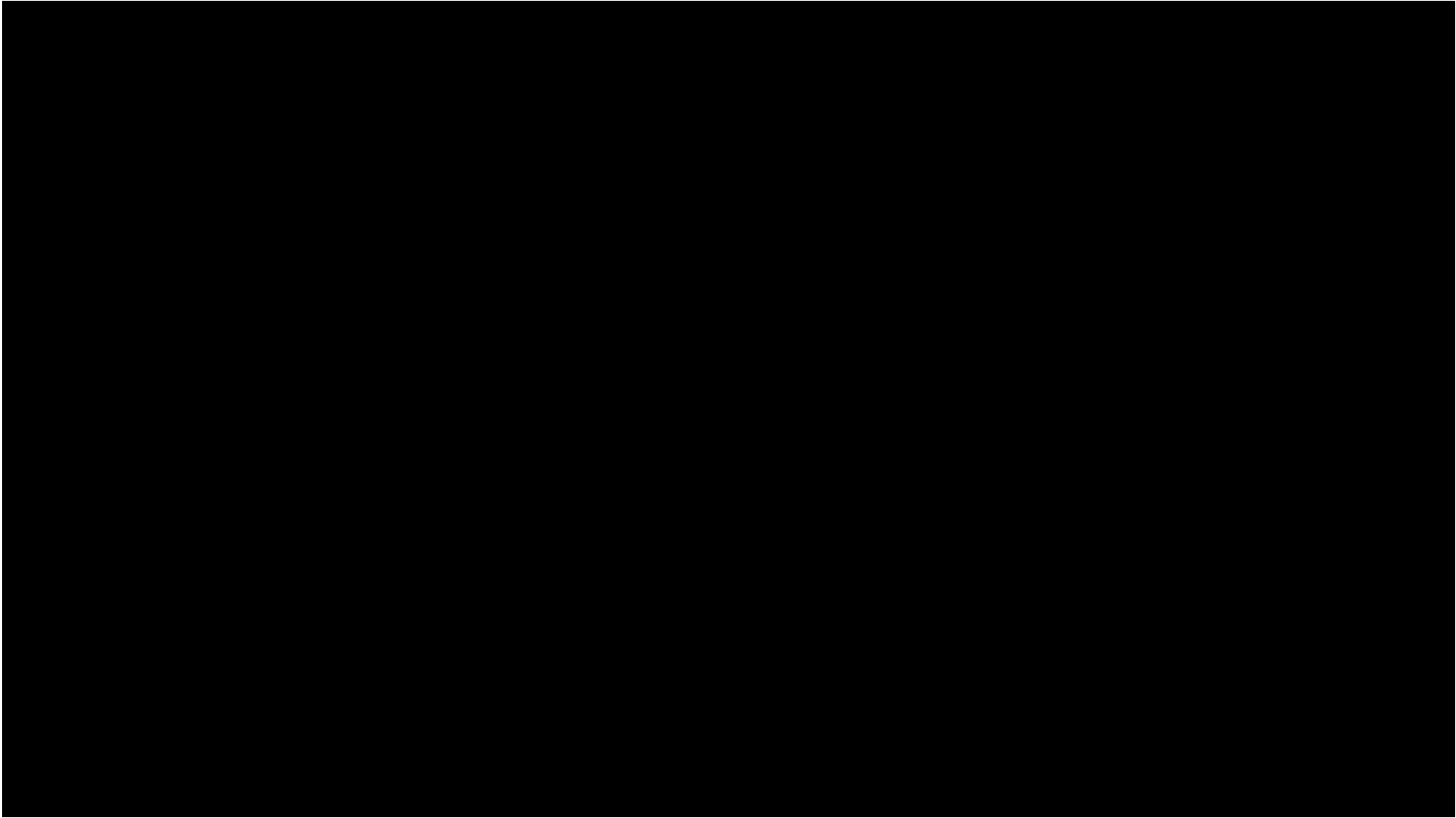
# ONLY 31%

## OF LOW-INCOME STUDENTS ENROLL USING A PELL GRANT

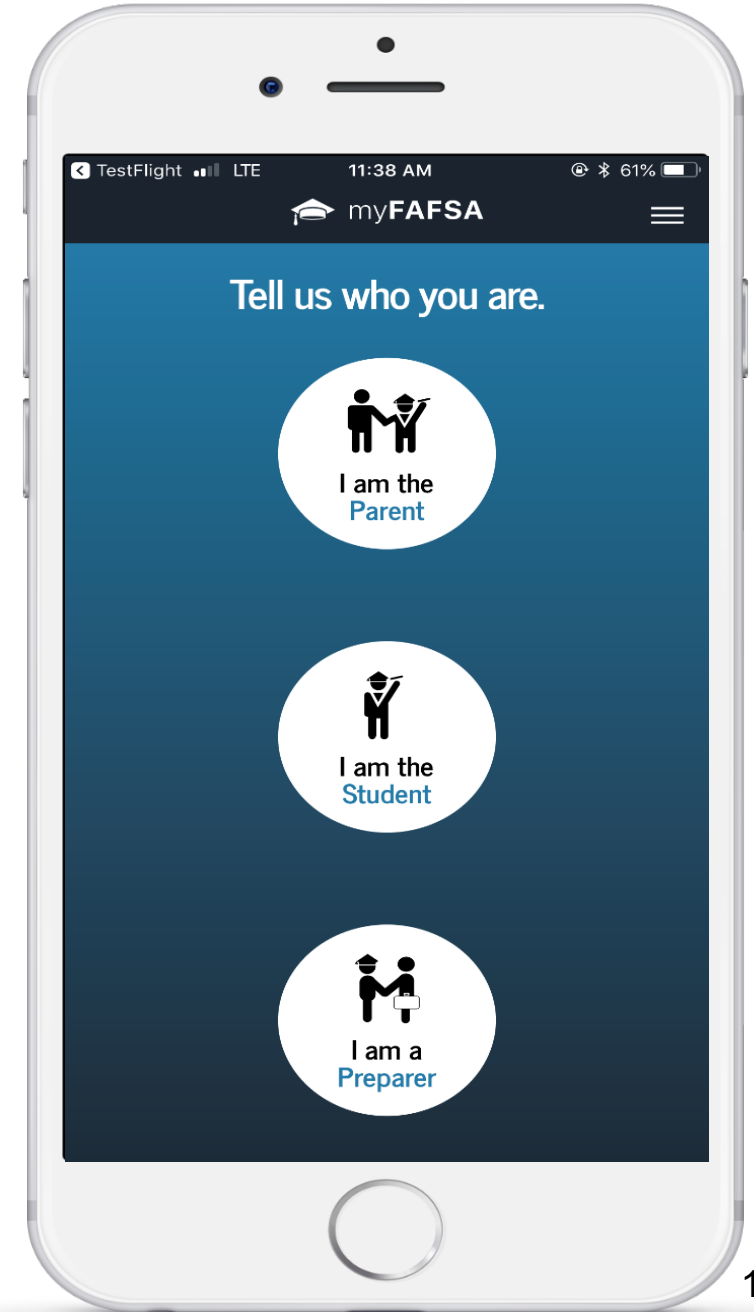
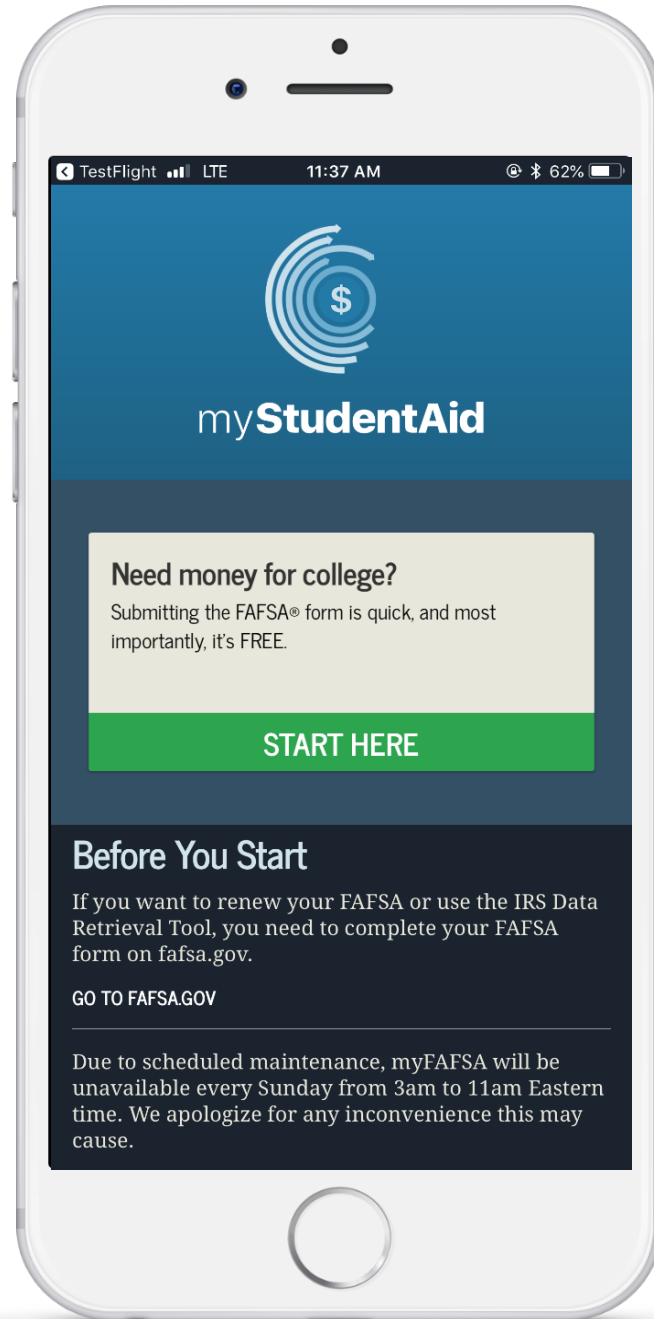
# Responsive Web Application – fafsa.gov

**Responsive Web Applications (RWA)** are applications that provide an optimal viewing experience (easy reading, navigation, good spacing, etc.) across a wide range of devices.





## Landing View & Roles





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# NCAN FAFSA Resources

TRAINING • PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT • ADMISSIONS • FINANCIAL AID  
TARGET STUDENT POPULATIONS • CULTURAL COMPETENCY • BADGES

**e-learning**

College Access & Success Professional Development for Counselors

The graphic is a blue banner with white text and icons. At the top, it lists six categories: TRAINING, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, ADMISSIONS, FINANCIAL AID, TARGET STUDENT POPULATIONS, CULTURAL COMPETENCY, and BADGES. Below this is a row of six diamond-shaped icons: a graduation cap, a head with a gear, two people, a document, a dollar sign, and a shield with a star. The word 'e-learning' is written in large, white, lowercase letters across the middle. At the bottom, it says 'College Access & Success Professional Development for Counselors'.



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*Building Connections. Advancing Equity. Promoting Success.*

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