1-800-433-3243 (1-800-4-FED-AID) - use this number for checking application status, ordering duplicate student aid reports (SAR), adding or changing colleges listed on SAR, provide change of address, help in filing application and general information on aid eligibility.

**Ohio College Opportunity Grant (OCOG):** Must file FAFSA, be Ohio resident and attend an Ohio public university main campus (not regional campuses or community colleges), Ohio private, non-profit colleges or universities, and Ohio private, for-profit institutions. The expected family contribution (EFC) is the index number for awarding OCOG, EFC eligibility range is from 0000-2190 and a maximum household income of $75,000. A part-time student will receive a pro-rated award and is available for continuous enrollment (includes summer).

**Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG):** One of the campus-based programs; grants to undergraduate students of exceptional financial need who have not completed their first baccalaureate degree and who are financially in need of this grant to enable them to pursue their education. Priority for FSEOG awards must be given to Federal Pell Grant recipients with the lowest EFCs. Award ranges from $100 to $4000, depending on when student applies, financial need, and the funding and policies of school attending.

**Federal Work-Study (FWS) Program:** One of the campus-based programs; a part-time employment program which provides jobs for undergraduate and graduate students who are in need of earnings to meet a portion of their educational expenses. FWS wages are excluded from EFC calculations.

**TEACH Grant:** A federal grant awarded to undergraduate and graduate students who want to pursue a teaching career in a high-need field and who agree to teach in a school serving low-income students (Title I schools) after graduating. If a recipient does not fulfill the service requirement, funds convert into a Unsubsidized Stafford Loan and must be re-paid.

**Federal Stafford/Federal Direct Subsidized & Direct Unsubsidized Loan:** Long term, low interest loans administered by the Department of Education and institutions. Subsidized is based on need & Unsubsidized is not based on financial need and can be used to replace EFC (Estimated Family Contribution).
Federal Perkins Loan: One of the campus-based programs; a long term, low interest loan program for both undergraduate & graduate students at a current interest rate of 5%. Must file FAFSA. At one time it was known as the Carl D. Perkins National Direct Student Loan Program (NDSL).

Direct Parent PLUS Loan: Long term loans made available to parents of dependent students and graduate/professional students. Interest rates are fixed at 7.21%. May be used to replace EFC; amount borrowed is limited to the cost of attendance minus estimated financial assistance. Repayment begins within 60 days of full disbursement (payments may be deferred while the student is in school). FAFSA required.

Ohio Educational & Training Voucher Program: Visit website www.statevoucher.org Eligibility requirements are one of the following situations: in foster care on their 18th birthday and aged out at that time, adopted from foster care with the adoption finalized after their 16th birthday or foster care case closed between the ages of 18 or 21.

Internal Revenue Service: (800) 829-1040 or www.irs.gov Use this site to request duplicate income tax returns.


Veteran Educational Benefits: www.veteranstoday.com Assistance programs for eligible veterans and/or their dependents for education or training.

Ohio Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators: (OASFAA) www.oasfaa.org State and federal student financial aid information and links, resource material for students & parents.

National Association of Financial Aid Administrators: (NASFAA) www.nasfaa.org
Financial Aid Information [www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org) Links and information about scholarships, loans, college savings plans, military aid, EFC calculator, loan calculator & more.

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**Ohio Tuition Trust Authority (OTTA):** College Advantage Savings Plan [www.collegeadvantage.com](http://www.collegeadvantage.com) 1-800-233-6734 or 1-800-AFFORD-IT.

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