

Welcome to Financial Aid Night Class of 2024

We will begin shortly

Asistencia disponible en español

Financial Aid Night

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Welcome!



AGENDA

Scholarships - Wendy Scott

Financial Aid 101 – Cascadia College

www.cascadia.edu

Nina Jouval, Kira McBride, Martin Nuñez

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Create an Account (FSA ID) - optional

Empower Youth Network –

www.empoweryouthnetwork.org

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Scholarships

- **THEY ARE GIFTS. THEY DO NOT NEED TO BE REPAID**
- **STUDENTS SHOULD APPLY IN THEIR SENIOR YEAR (OR SOONER) WHILE APPLYING TO COLLEGES**
- **SOME SCHOLARSHIPS ARE A ONE-TIME GIFT, AND SOME ARE RENEWABLE**
- **MANY AVAILABLE FROM SCHOOLS, EMPLOYERS, BANKS, INDIVIDUALS, NON-PROFITS, AND RELIGIOUS GROUPS**
- **BASED ON MERIT, DIVERSITY, LEADERSHIP, COMMUNITY SERVICE, PERSONAL INTEREST, AND ATHLETICS**
- **USE AN APPROPRIATE EMAIL ADDRESS, NOT YOUR SCHOOL EMAIL**



**SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION**

Where to look for Scholarships?

- Look directly at college's financial aid page
- Scholarships search sites (DO NOT pay for a search!)

- ❖ CHS Career Center Web Site:
www.chs.rsd407.org/financialaidgrantsscholarships
- ❖ The Wash Board www.thewashboard.org
- ❖ Fast Web www.fastweb.com
- ❖ College Board <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org>
- ❖ Go Merry www.gomerry.com
- ❖ Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)
www.wiche.edu/tuition-savings/wue/



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Through **WUE**, eligible students can choose from hundreds of undergraduate programs outside their home state and pay no more than 150% of that institution's resident tuition rate.

Meet your school's **admissions criteria—both generally, and for WUE**. Along with that school's general admissions standards, some require WUE students to meet specified GPA and/or ACT/SAT scores.

How do I get started?

Check your eligibility by home state/territory, college and major through our online **WUE Savings Finder**. Visit wuesavingsfinder.wiche.edu or use the QR code.



Dollars for Scholars

In 2023 our chapter gave out 55 scholarships for a total of over \$57,000.

Our Snoqualmie Valley Dollars for Scholars chapter serves the communities of Carnation and Duvall in the state of Washington.

<https://snoqualmievalley.dollarsforscholars.org/>

Interest meeting for Seniors on February 15, 2024, in the library during advisory

Snoqualmie Valley
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NEXT UP, CASCADIA COLLEGE WITH FINANCIAL AID 101

Financial Aid Events

January 24th 2024	5:30- 6:30pm	Financial Aid 101 for Parents and Caregivers Hosted on Zoom in English and Spanish Ayuda Financiera 101 Para Padres y Cuidadores Alojado en Zoom en inglés y español This event is for parents and caregivers to help them understand and navigate the financial aid process with their student. Este evento es para padres y cuidadores para ayudarlos a comprender y navegar el proceso de ayuda financiera con sus estudiantes.	Register in Advance / Enlace para registrarse
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Federal Student Aid

FAFSA® Form ▾ Loans and Grants ▾ Loan Repayment ▾ Loan Forgiveness ▾ Log In | Create Account

How can we help?

Search

Browse Help Topics

- Getting Started**
Understand the aid process and who's eligible.
- Managing Your Account**
Review your aid amounts, manage payments, and update your personal information.
- Completing the FAFSA® Form**
Get tips on how to fill out the FAFSA® form and browse other common FAFSA topics.
- Repaying Loans**
Find the right repayment plan, learn about loan forgiveness, and find help if you can't afford your payments.
- Types of Aid**
Learn about types of aid including grants, work-study, loans, and scholarships.
- Glossary**
Understand terms and definitions related to student aid.

Most Common Questions

- [How do I apply for an income-driven repayment \(IDR\) plan?](#)
- [How do I apply for Public Service Loan Forgiveness \(PSLF\)?](#)
- [How do I create a StudentAid.gov account?](#)
- [How much money can I get from a Federal Pell Grant?](#)
- [How do I find scholarships?](#)
- [What is the IRS Data Retrieval Tool \(DRT\)?](#)
- [How do I complete entrance counseling?](#)
- [How do I apply for a PLUS loan?](#)

Financial Aid Resources

Reach out directly to the Financial Aid Office at the schools where you are applying

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APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Improvements are coming to financial aid applications this year. Due to these changes, the 2024-25 WASFA will become available in January 2024.

- Applications usually open October 1, and will again in future years.
- Can't wait to get started? Consider [setting up your FAFSA or WASFA account](#)—make sure to save your login and password.

How do I apply for financial aid?

Washington College Grant (WAG) gives more money to more people for more types of education and training beyond high school. Complete a financial aid application to find out how much money may be available to you.

In Washington, there are two different applications for financial aid, but you only need to complete one:

- Complete the **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) if you are a U.S. citizen or [eligible non-citizen](#).
- Complete the **WASFA** (Washington Application for State Financial Aid) if you are not eligible to complete the FAFSA due to immigration status, defaulted federal loans, or other issues with federal aid. Learn more and apply on the [WASFA page](#).

Free Application for Federal Student Aid
FAFSA
Visit fafsa.gov

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Info about loan debt relief

I want my loan and grant info

Help with the FAFSA® form

I have a different question...



FAFSA 800-433-3243 (800-4-FED-AID)
studentaid.gov

WASFA Washington State Achievement Council
wsac.wa.gov/apply

➤ [What's Changed for the 2024–25 FAFSA® Form?](#)

Create Account | Federal Student Aid

➤ [How to Create an Account and Username \(FSA ID\) for StudentAid.gov](#)

• [Studentaid.gov](#)

• You'll need your Social Security number, full name, and date of birth. You'll also need to create a memorable username and password, and complete challenge questions and answers so you can retrieve your account information if you forget it.



Create an Account

Whether you're a student, parent, or borrower, you'll need to create your own account to apply for, receive, and manage your federal student aid.

[Get Started](#)

Already have an account? [Log In](#)

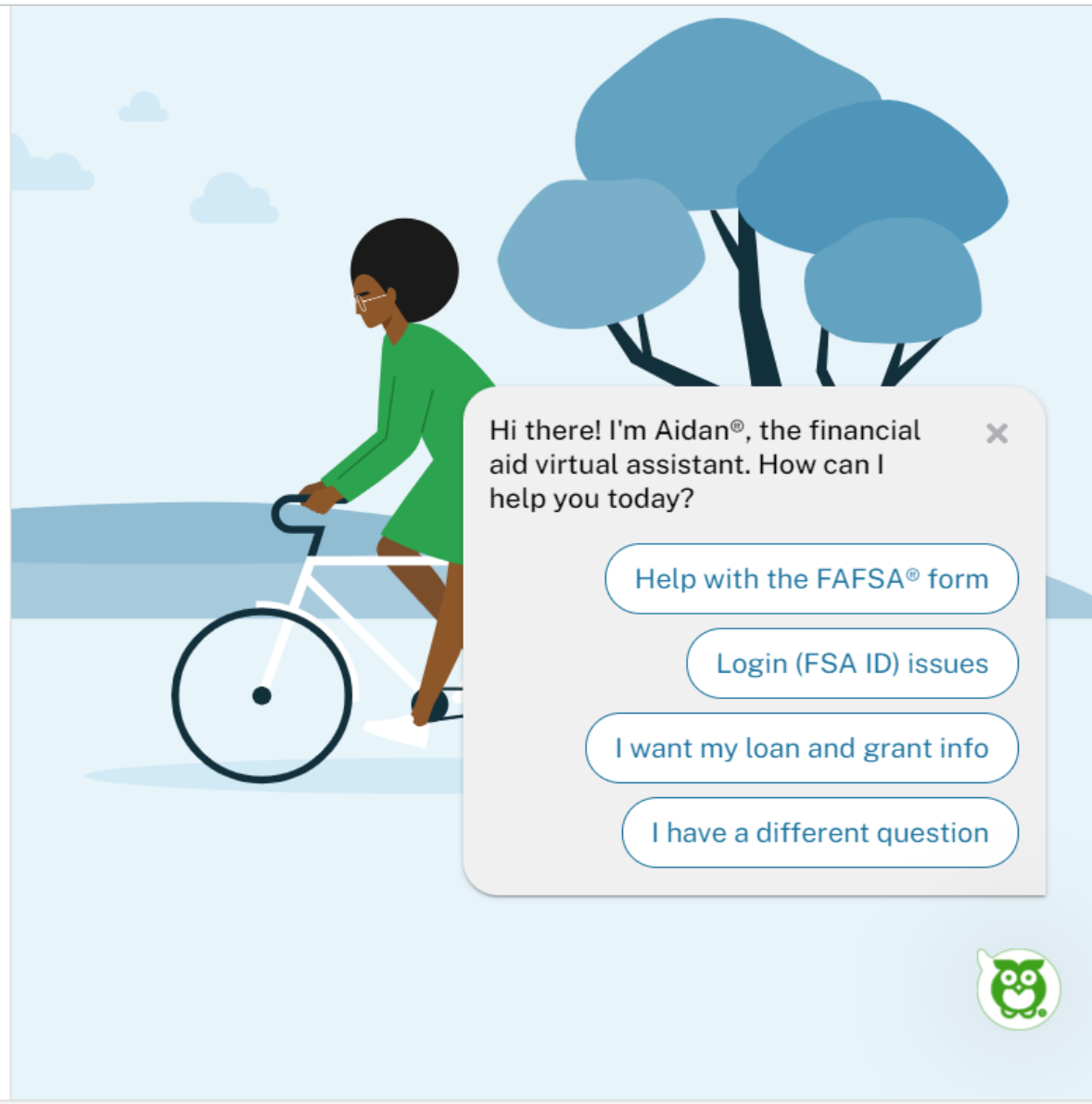
What You Can Do With Your Account

You must have an account to do the following:

- Fill out the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form online
- Complete other online forms (such as the *Master Promissory Note*) required to receive aid
- Review the federal student aid you've received

What You'll Need

- Your Social Security number (if applicable)
- Your own email address



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