

Your Senior Year Information Booklet

Providing talented students with college and career opportunities, and assisting them in their path toward higher education.



Student Name:	
School Name:	
Date of High School Graduation:	
Name of TRIO Advisor:	
Room of TRIO Meetings:	
Time of TRIO Meetings:	
Email:	Phone #:

Individual meetings can be made with a TRIO Advisor at both your school and at our office, located at 510 Fulton Street West, Grand Rapids and we can be contacted at **(616) 331-7110**.

Dear Senior and Parent,

This is an exciting year! It's the end of one chapter and the beginning of a new one. As the year progresses in high school, please keep a few things in mind to stay on track for graduation and attending the college of your choice in the fall.

The most important thing to do now is to write in important deadlines in your calendar so you can be on task for completing the college-going process.

Here are a few dates to write in your calendars for the 2019-20 school year:

Deadline for many college applications to be received by: November 1, 2019

FAFSA completion date: March 1st, 2020 (Do NOT miss this deadline!) You may complete your FASFA as early as October 1, 2019.

Make plans to attend the Fall College Fair at Aquinas College on October 15, 2019.

High School Financial Aid Nights – Will vary by each school

It is <u>VERY important</u> that you keep in close communication with your TRIO Talent Search Advisor who can help you every step of the way! Please feel free to call us at 331-7110 to arrange a time to meet.

Wishing you the best of luck during this exciting adventure!

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TRIO Education Talent Search is proud to serve you as you prepare yourself for higher education. By staying active with ETS during your senior year, you will receive information related to college applications, financial aid & college application assistance, scholarship searches, and more. Best of luck this school year, and we look forward to serving you.

The TRIO ETS Senior Checklist

I have met, or will meet with my advisor multiple times during the school
year (remember the more you put into it, the more you'll get out of it!),
and keep him or her informed of where I have applied and been accepted,
and when I completed the FAFSA.
I have applied to at least three (3) different higher education institutions.
I have connected with a counselor, college advisor, or teacher about my
college plans.
I have prepared requests for my transcripts, letters of recommendation,
and test scores to be sent to the college(s) in which I am applying.

A TRIO advisor will be working with seniors in the following high schools:

Innovation Central HS Wyoming HS
Union HS University Prep Academy
Ottawa Hills HS

(All others, please call our office to make an appointment.)

TRIO Educational Talent Search at Grand Valley State University The Depot, 510 Fulton St. W, Grand Rapids, MI 49504-6432 (616) 331-7110, gvsuets@gvsu.edu Monday-Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm

TRIO ETS is Social Website: www.gvsu.edu/ets Facebook: www.facebook.com/gvsuets

Senior Checklist Breakdown

All Year:

- Maintain a high GPA in your college prep classes.
- Work hard all year; second-semester grades can affect scholarship eligibility.
- Stay involved and seek leadership roles in your activities.

Fall:

- Meet with your school counselor to make sure you are on track to graduate and fulfill college admission requirements. Consider a monthly breakdown of "tasks with counselor" or "tasks to complete alone."
- o If you haven't done so already, register to retake tests such as the SAT if you were not satisfied with your score. Check with the colleges you are interested in to see what tests they require, or reference our guide in this booklet. Apply to the colleges you have chosen. Prepare your application carefully. Follow the instructions, and PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO DEADLINES!
- Well before your application deadlines, ask your counselor and teachers to submit required documents (e.g. transcript, letters of recommendation) to the colleges to which you are applying.
- To prepare to apply for federal student aid, be sure to get a FSAID at www.fsaid.ed.gov/ so that you can complete your application and access your information online. One of your parents must also get a FSAID. FSAID takes 24 hours to become active before anyone can sign their FAFSA.
- Apply for FAFSA, financial aid. Go to: <u>www.fafsa.gov</u>. You may submit your application as early as Oct. 1st.

Winter:

- o If you are considering applying to GVSU please do so before Dec. 31st and submit grades, test scores and application fees to be considered for Early Awareness Scholarship, if you are eligible.
- o If you have questions about the federal student aid programs or need assistance with the application process call 1-800-433-3243.
- After you submit the FAFSA, you should receive your Student Aid Report (SAR) within one to three weeks. Quickly make any necessary corrections and submit them to the FAFSA processor.
- Once you have applied for FAFSA complete your MISSG Portal at www.michigan.gov/missg
- Complete scholarship applications.

Spring:

- Apply for scholarships from foundations at the colleges you have selected and through other scholarship resources.
- Visit colleges that have invited you to enroll.
- o Review your college acceptances and compare financial aid packages.
- Accept the one you have chosen and notify the other colleges you will not be attending.
- Contact a school's financial aid office if you have questions about the aid that school has offered you.
- When you decide which school you want to attend, notify that school of your commitment and submit any required financial deposit. <u>Many schools require this notification and deposit by May 1.</u>

*Remember: Register for all tests in advance and be sure to give yourself time to prepare appropriately! If you have difficulty paying a college application fee, see your school counselor about getting a fee waiver.

Why go to college?



The opportunity to make more money per year increases with higher levels of education.

Less than a high school diploma	\$26,208	
		+\$9,000 level up!
High school graduate, no college	\$35,984	#0.000 Laster Laster
Some college, no degree	\$39,312	+\$3,000 level up!
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Associate degree	\$42,588	•
_		+17,000 level up!
Bachelor's degree	\$60,112	
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Master's degree	\$71,760	+14,000 level up!
Doctorate	\$86,528	,000 lovel ap.

And graduates are less likely to be unemployed.

7%

5%

4%

4%

3%

Diploma

High school graduate

Some college Associate degree

Bachelor's degree

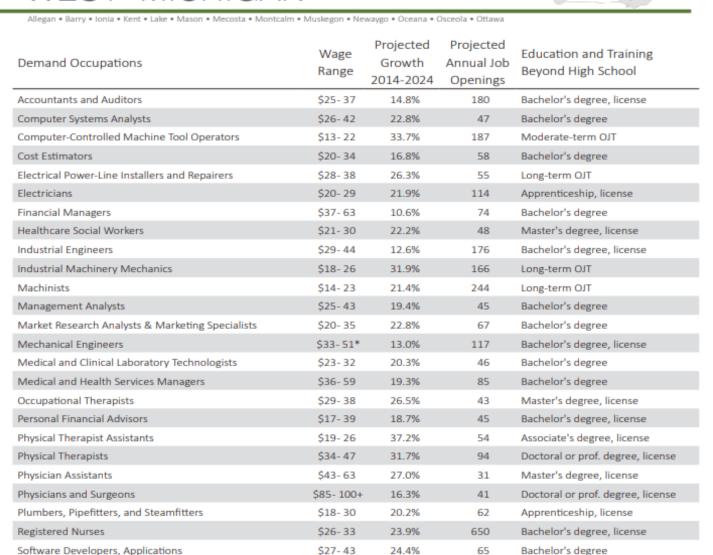
Master's degree

degree

Doctorate Professional

HOT JOBS

WEST MICHIGAN



How we make this list

This list includes occupations that show a favorable mix of projected long-term job growth, projected annual job openings, and median wages. It does not necessarily reflect current hiring demand.

All occupations require education or training beyond high school and have a median hourly wage above the regional median wage. Hourly wage range represents the 25th to 75th percentiles. OJT = On-the-Job Training.

Source: Michigan DTMB, Bureau of Labor Market Information and Strategic Initiatives

^{*}Regional wages unavilable; Statewide wage data shown.







Your College Match

Application Request: Select schools to which you would like to apply. Using the chart included and your own GPA and SAT score select:

Two schools you will FOR SURE get in	nto:		
1			_
2			-
Two schools where you MEET their a	dmission average	2S:	
1			-
2			_
Two schools whose averages are slig	htly higher than y	your own:	
1			_
2			_
program you are interested in below			-
Are interested in the Military?	YES	NO	
If yes, which branch?			
Have you already applied to at least (ONE college? If so		-
			-

Michigan College Average Requirements

My GPA:	My	y SAT Score:	

Colleges in Michigan: Based on SAT and GPA averages

Circle colleges to consider based on your test scores and GPA

	Ave GPA: 2.5- 2.8	2.8-3.2	3.33.5	3.5-3.8	3.9-4.0
Open Admissions	Ave SAT: 860- 1010	940-1120	1060-1230	1130-1380	1350-1600
Community Colleges, no minimum GPA & SAT requirements: Baker College Glen Oaks CC Gogebic CC Grand Rapids CC Henry Ford CC Jackson CC Kalamazoo Valley CC Kellogg CC Kirtland CC Lake Michigan College Lansing CC Macomb CC Mid-Michigan CC Monroe County CC Mott CC Muskegon CC North Central Michigan College Northwestern Michigan College Schoolcraft College Southwestern Michigan College St. Clair County CC Wayne County CC Wayne County CC	Marygrove College Northern Michigan University WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY	CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY FINLANDIA UNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY FOUNDATE UNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY FOUNDATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATE UNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY FUNIVERSITY SENA HEIGHTS UNIVERSITY	ALMA COLLEGE Andrews University Seek Affordage COMU CENTRAL MICHEGAN UNIVERSITY LAWRENCE LAW	CALVIN COLLEGE GRANDWILLEY HOPE COLLEGE Michigan Tech	HILSDALE COLLEGE

Your Senior Year College Profile

What is your Ideal College?

Circle all the aspects you are considering in a college

Public	Private	2-year	4-Year	Tech Schools	Liberal Arts
Religious	Competitive	Rural	Urban	Science/Math	Diverse
					Campus
In-state	Out of State	Close to Home	Far Away	Co-ed housing	Separate
					Gender
					housing
Small college	Large College	Warm	Cold Weather	Commuter	Major/Area of
		Weather		Campus	Study
NCAA Sports	Intramural/Club	Clubs &	Residential	Campus	Other
	Sports	Organizations	Program	Resources	

					housing
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		Weather		Campus	Study
NCAA Sports	Intramural/Club	Clubs &	Residential	Campus	Other
	Sports	Organizations	Program	Resources	
What are your	top three consider	ations for college	es?		
1					
2	-				
3.					
	-				
Fill in the blanks	from page 31 and	compare to you S	SAT and GPA		
	College 1	College 2	Coll	ege 3	Your Scores
Average SAT					
Average GPA					
What you'll nee	ed				
to do to get in					
What do you wa	int to get out of col	lege?			
What is your ult	imate career goal?				
What have you	done so far in the c	ollege process?			

Information for Student Athletes

For those interested in playing NCAA Division I collegiate sports: (*NCAA* Clearinghouse, now National Scholastic Athletics Foundation (NSAF) STUDENT-ATHLETES go to https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/.

For those interested in playing NAIA Division II collegiate sports: (*NAIA* – National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) STUDENT-ATHLETES go to https://www.playnaia.org/eligibility-center.

For those interested in playing NAIA Division III collegiate sports: (*NJCAA* – National Junior College Athletic Association) STUDENT-ATHLETES go to http://www.njcaa.org/eligibility/index.

CHECKLIST:

- ☐ Do I have the correct web address to log onto?
- □ Did I read all the requirements and click on the right "<u>Student-Athlete Registration</u>" link to register?
- ☐ If fees or money apply, do I have the money available to CREATE my "STUDENT-ATHLETE ACCOUNT"? If not, have I talked to my coach(es) to see if I can get a fee waiver?



High School vs. COLLEGE

While college can be an exciting next step, it's always a big step that is different than the high school. Make sure you prepare for the differences in college!

High School	College
The school year is 36 weeks long, some classes extend over both semesters and some don't.	The academic year and classes are divided in semesters or quarters.
Classes generally have no more than 35 students	Classes may number 100 students or more.
You are expected to read short assignments that are then discussed and often re-taught in class.	You are assigned substantial amounts of reading and writing that may not be directly addressed in class.
You will usually be told in class what you need to learn from assigned readings.	It's up to you to read and understand the assigned material, lectures and assignments proceed from the assumption that you've already done so.
Grades are given for most assigned work.	Grades may not be provided for all assigned work but still be expected to be completed.
Consistently good homework grades may raise your overall grade when test grades are low.	Grades on tests and major papers usually provide most of the course grade.
Initial test grades, especially when low, may not have adverse effect on your grade.	Watch out for your first tests. These are usually "wake- up calls" to let you know what is expected, but they also may account for a substantial part of your course grade. You may be shocked when you get your grades.
You may graduate as long as you have passed all required courses with a grade of a "D" or higher.	You may graduate only if your average in classes meets the department standard, typically a 2.0/C.
In high school "effort counts." Courses are usually structured to reward a "good faith effort."	"Results Count." Though good faith effort is important in regard to the professor's willingness to help you achieve good results, it will not substitute for results in the grading process.

Senior College Application Checklist

Below is a list of information you will likely need in order to complete college applications. Not all college applications require the same information because each Michigan College has its own application process. This checklist is comprehensive and can be used to help seniors on any question that may be asked. Filling this out will be helpful to pull out whenever you apply and have all of your information together already!

Background and Residency Information	
1. Current mailing address and county of	
residency	
If your mailing address is a PO box	
you will also need a street address	
2. Social Security Number	
3. Place of Birth	
City	
State	
Country	
4. Are you a U.S. citizen?	
5. If you are not please enter your INS	
SEVIS, if you have one, as well the	
following information (if applicable)	
Permanent residency number	
Visa Type	
Non-immigrant Number and	
Expiration	
If you are an international student	
have you taken the TOEFL date?	
Score?	
6. Date you moved to Michigan	
This may be your birth date	
7. Driver's License and date issued	
8. Dates and Locations of places you	
have lived in Michigan in the past 5	
years	
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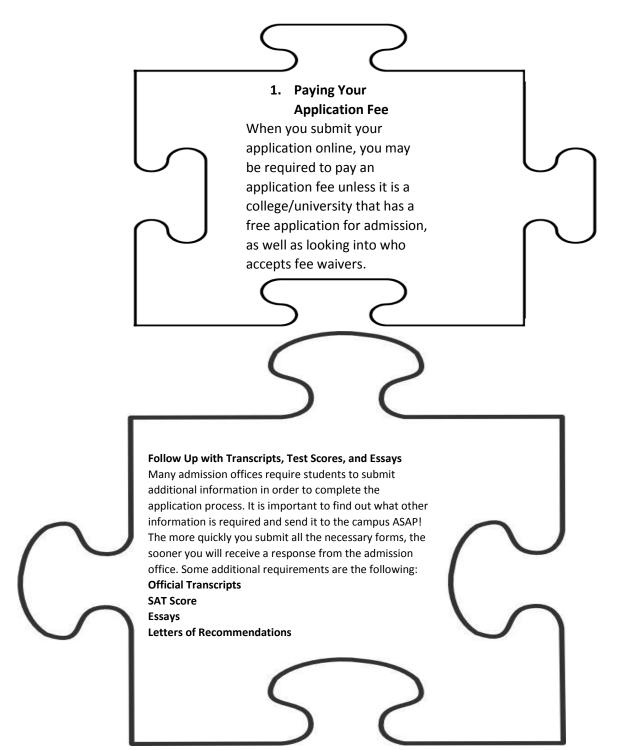
9. Family information		
10. Are you an active duty military or		
military dependent?		
If yes, duty station and home of record		
11. Are you a military dependent?		
If yes, expiration date of military ID and		
sponsor's duty station		
If you have a legal guardian, answer the		
questions in #12 for that person and fill in the		
following information		
12. Place and date of guardian		
appointment		
City and county		
State and county		
First designated next of		
kin/relationship		
Second designated kin/relationship		
13. Are your parents living?		
14. Parents first, middle and last names		
15. Are you parents US citizens?		
16. Home address of parents if different		
than yours		
17. Parent 1's education background if		
applicable		
18. Parent 2's education background if		
applicable		
19. Parents Martial Status		
20. Parent for whom you live 51% of the		
time with		
21. List any siblings by name and age and		
college attendance dates		
22. Name Age	College	Dates
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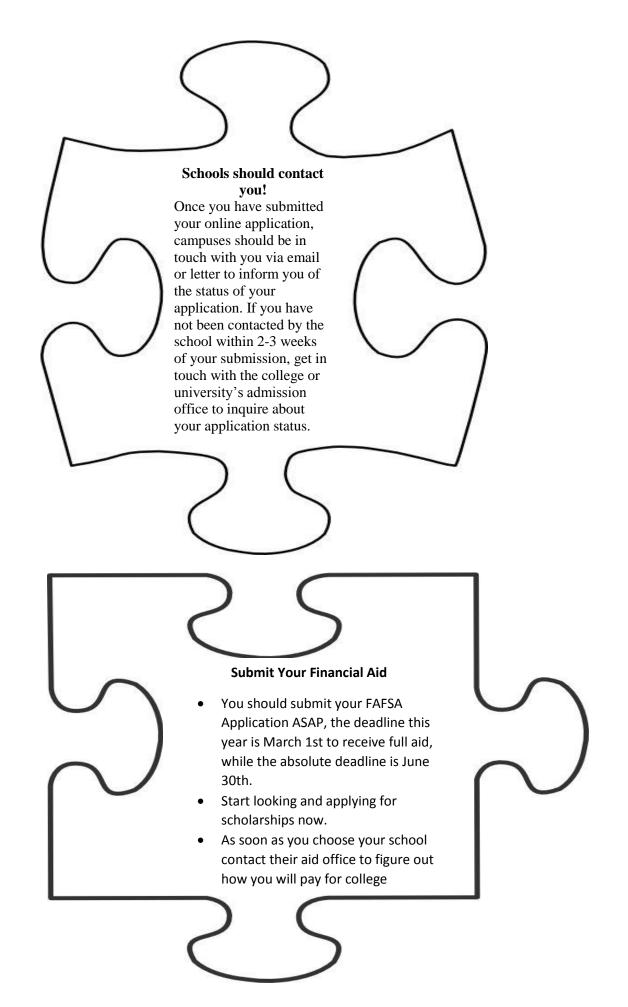
Academic information	
Fall Semester High School classes	Spring semester classes
Other School (summer school, online)	
List any college you have attended with address and dates, or courses for which you received college credit	
2. College entrance exam test dates and scores	
Test Date	Score
PSAT	
ACT	
SAT	
SAT Subject Test	
Compass	
Accuplacer	
ASSEST	

3. Extracurricular Activities: List in order of importance with dates, positions help and awards.	
4. Academic Awards/Honors List with names and dates (such as National Honor Society 2018, Math Award 2018)	
5. Employment information: List any jobs and internship positions with dates, places, hours per week, and a brief description of responsibilities.	
You may be asked the following questions and provide an explanation for any to which you respond "Yes".	
Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Have you entered plea of guilty, a plea of no contest, a plea of nolo contendere; for a crime? Have you otherwise accepted responsibility for the commission of a crime? Do you have any criminal charges pending against you? Have you ever been expelled, dismissed, suspended, placed on probation, or otherwise subject to any disciplinary sanction by any school, college or university?	

I Applied! Now What?

The puzzle pieces of going to college are almost together! Read the following information to learn more about the "Now What?" pieces of paying your application fee, keeping your confirmation page, when to expect schools to contact you, and information on transcripts, test scores, essays, financial aid, and more!







DO YOU NEED MONEY FOR COLLEGE OR CAREER SCHOOL?

Apply for Federal Student Aid

What is federal student aid?

It's money from the federal government that helps you pay for college, career school, or graduate school expenses. Aid is available through grants, work-study, and loans. Every student who meets certain eligibility requirements can get some type of federal student aid, regardless of age or family income. Before you apply, get an estimate of how much aid you could get at **StudentAid.gov/fafsa/estimate**.

How do I apply for aid?

You need to complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form at **fafsa.gov**. Students and parents will need an FSA ID to sign the form online. You'll also use your FSA ID to access information about your financial aid on U.S. Department of Education websites. You can create an FSA ID in advance or while you fill out the FAFSA form. To find out more about the FSA ID, visit **StudentAid.gov/fsaid**.

When should I apply?

Each October, the FAFSA form is available for the next school year. You'll need to reapply for aid every year you are in school. Here's a summary of key dates for submitting the FAFSA form depending on when you plan to go to school:

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND COLLEGE FROM

JULY 1, 2018–JUNE 30, 2019 — OR —

JULY 1, 2019-JUNE 30, 2020

YOU WILL SUBMIT THIS FAFSA FORM

2018–19 FAFSA FORM
— OR —
2019–20 FAFSA FORM

YOU CAN SUBMIT THE FAFSA FORM FROM

OCT. 1, 2017–JUNE 30, 2019
— OR —
OCT. 1, 2018–JUNE 30, 2020

Who gets federal student aid?

Some of the most basic eligibility requirements for students are that you must

- demonstrate financial need (for most programs);
- be a U.S. citizen or an eligible noncitizen;
- have a valid Social Security number;
- be registered with Selective Service if you're a male between the ages of 18 and
- be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an eligible degree or certificate program;
- be enrolled at least half-time (for most programs); and
- maintain satisfactory academic progress in college, career school, or graduate school; show you're qualified to obtain a college or career school education by
 - » having a high school diploma or a state recognized equivalent (for example the General Educational Development [GED] certificate); or
 - » completing a high school education in a home-school setting approved under state law; or
 - » enrolling in an eligible career pathways program.



Are you considered a dependent or independent student when it comes to the FAFSA® form? Find out at **StudentAid.gov/dependency**.

THE FAFSA IS FREE!

Completing and submitting the FAFSA form is free and quick, and it gives you access to the largest sources of financial aid to pay for college or career school—federal, state, and school resources.

See the full list of eligibility requirements at **StudentAid.gov/eligibility**.

TYPES OF AID

Amounts shown are awarded annually and are subject to change

Federal Grants: Money that doesn't have to be paid back

FEDERAL PELL GRANT

Up to \$6,095 for the 2018-19 award year

For undergraduates with financial need who have not earned a bachelor's or professional degree. For details and updates, visit **StudentAid.gov/pell-grant**.

FEDERAL SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY GRANT (FSEOG)

Up to \$4,000

- For undergraduates with exceptional financial need.
- Federal Pell Grant recipients take priority.
- Funds depend on availability at school.
 - For details and updates, visit **StudentAid.gov/fseog**.

IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN Service Grant

Up to \$6,095 for the 2018–19 award year

For undergraduate students who are not Pell-eligible, and the parent or guardian must have died as a result of military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after the events of 9/11. For details and updates, visit

StudentAid.gov /iraq-afghanistan.

TEACH GRANT

Up to \$4,000

For undergraduate. postbaccalaureate, and graduate students who are completing or plan to complete course work needed to begin a career in teaching. To receive a TEACH Grant, a student must agree to teach for four years in a high-need field at an elementary school, secondary school, or educational service agency that serves low-income families. If a student doesn't complete the teaching service requirement, all TEACH Grants the student received will be converted to a Direct Unsubsidized Loan that must be repaid, with interest. For details and updates, visit StudentAid.gov/teach.

Federal Work-Study: Money is earned through a job and doesn't have to be repaid

Your total work-study award depends on

- when you apply,
- your level of financial need, and
- your school's funding level.



Federal Student Loans: These are loans, and must be repaid with interest

	Direct Subsidized Loan	Direct Unsubsidized Loan	Direct PLUS Loan
Who is it for?	For undergraduate students who have financial need. A student must be enrolled at least half-time.	For undergraduate and graduate or professional students . A student must be enrolled at least half-time. Financial need is not required.	For parents of dependent undergraduate students and for graduate or professional students . A student must be enrolled at least half-time. Financial need is not required.
What is the annual award amount?	Up to \$5,500, depending on grade level and dependency status.	Up to \$20,500 (less any subsidized amounts received for the same period), depending on grade level and dependency status.	Maximum amount is the cost of attendance minus any other financial aid received.
What is the interest rate?	Interest rates for new Direct Subsidized Loans can change every year. Loans made to undergraduate students during the 2018–19 award year have the rate fixed at 5.05% for the life of the loan.	For undergraduate students: Interest rates for new Direct Unsubsidized Loans can change every year. Loans made to undergraduate students during the 2018–19 award year have the rate fixed at 5.05% for the life of the loan. For graduate or professional students: Interest rates for new Direct Unsubsidized Loans can change every year. Loans made to graduate or professional students during the 2018–19 award year have the rate fixed at 6.6% for the life of the loan.	Interest rates for new Direct PLUS Loans can change every year. Loans made during the 2018–19 award year have the rate fixed at 7.6% for the life of the loan.
Where do I go for more details and updates on loans?	details and StudentAid.gov/sub-unsub StudentAid.gov/sub-ւ		StudentAid.gov/plus

READY TO FILL OUT THE FAFSA® FORM? GO TO FAFSA.GOV!

I completed the FAFSA® form. Now what?

After you submit your FAFSA form, you'll receive a *Student Aid Report* (SAR) that summarizes the data you submitted. If you provided a valid email address in your application, you'll receive an email with instructions on how to access an online copy of your SAR within three days (if you apply at **fafsa.gov**) or three weeks (if you mail in a paper FAFSA form).

When you receive your SAR, review it to make sure you didn't make any mistakes on your FAFSA form.

- If you don't need to make any changes to the information listed on your SAR, just keep it for your records.
- To find out how to correct mistakes, or to update your tax data or other information in your FAFSA form, visit **StudentAid.gov/fafsa/next-steps/accept-aid** or contact the school to which you are applying.

The information in your SAR will be provided to the schools you listed on your FAFSA form. You will receive an aid offer from the schools at which you were accepted for admission.

What's an aid offer and how much aid will I get?

If you applied for admission to a college or career school you listed on your FAFSA form, that school will get your FAFSA information. The school will calculate your aid and send you an aid offer (often electronically).

Most schools will wait to send you an aid offer only after they accept you for admission. The aid offer will tell you how much aid you're eligible to receive at that school and will include the types and amounts of financial aid you may receive from federal, state, private, and school sources. This combination of help from different sources is your financial aid package. How much aid you receive depends on some factors, including

- cost of attendance (for each school);
- Expected Family Contribution (EFC)—the EFC does not represent a dollar amount but, instead, it's a number used to calculate how much financial aid you're eligible to receive based on your FAFSA information;
- year in school; and
- enrollment status (e.g., full-time, half-time, etc.).

You can compare school aid offers and see which school is most affordable once financial aid is taken into account. Contact the school's financial aid office if you have any questions about the aid being offered to you. For more information on how aid is calculated, visit **StudentAid.gov/how-calculated**.

HOW WILL I RECEIVE MY AID?

Your college or career school—not the U.S. Department of Education—will distribute your aid. In most cases, your federal student aid will be applied directly to your school account. The financial aid staff at your school will explain exactly how and when your aid will be disbursed (paid out).

DO I HAVE TO REPAY MY LOANS?

Yes. Student loans, unlike grants and work-study, are borrowed money that must be repaid, with interest, just like car loans and home mortgages. You cannot have these loans canceled because you didn't like the education you received, didn't get a job in your field of study, or are having financial difficulty. So think about the amount you'll have to repay before you take out a loan and only borrow the amount you need. Learn more about loan repayment at **StudentAid.gov/repay**.



DON'T LET YOUR INTEREST CAPITALIZE!

If you have unsubsidized or PLUS loans, then interest accumulates on these loans before you begin repayment (e.g., while you are in school). Consider paying interest on your federal student loans while you're in school, and during grace, deferment, and forbearance periods to avoid capitalization (the addition of unpaid interest to the principal balance of your loan). Capitalization increases your loan balance, and interest will then accrue on that higher principal amount.

What else do I need to remember when

APPLYING FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID?



Your FAFSA information has to be correct to ensure that you receive your aid promptly and in the right amount. Always respond to (or act upon) any correspondence your school sends you—and meet all deadlines.

Contact the school if you're interested in institutional or state grants.

FREE HELP IS AVAILABLE

Free help is available any time during the application process. Online help is available while you complete your application at **fafsa.gov**. You can also get free information and help from your school counselor, the financial aid office at the school you plan to attend, or the U.S. Department of Education at **StudentAid.gov** or 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243). You should never have to pay for help!

Stay Connected







Access your federal student loan information at **StudentAid.gov/login**.

CONTACT US 1-800-4-FED-AID

(1-800-433-3243); TTY for the hard of hearing: 1-800-730-8913

U.S. Department of Education Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC) Box 84 Washington, DC 20044-0084





Do you need money for college?

Overview of State Aid Programs for 2018-19



All State of Michigan programs require:

- · High school diploma or its recognized equivalent.
- · A FAFSA.
- · Michigan residency.
- . U.S. citizenship, permanent residency, or approved refugee status.
- · At least half-time enrollment at a participating Michigan institution.
- The Talent for Tomorrow Scholarship requires full-time enrollment
- · The student not be in default status on a State or Federal student loan.
- · The student meets Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards.

Contact Us:

Email: mistudentaid@michigan.gov Phone: 1-888-447-2687

Connect With Us: @mistudentaid









There is money available to help you pay for college.

Michigan provides more than \$130 million to Michigan college students in addition to Federal and institutional aid

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Complete the FAFSA at fafsa.gov as early as October 1 of your senior year in high school and every year you remain in college. For priority consideration of State aid programs, complete the FAFSA before March 1.

MiSSG Student Portal

A few days after you complete the FAFSA, MI Student Aid receives a copy of it. Log into the Student Portal at www.michigan.gov/missg to see what State aid programs you may qualify for. While logged in, you can also change your college choice and complete additional applications.

Make Sure MI Student Aid Knows Where You Are Attending

If you qualify for an award, we will send your aid to the college listed in the MiSSG Student Portal. Make sure you have the correct one selected!

Attend College

Attending an eligible Michigan college at least half-time is required to receive State aid funds. The State aid you qualified for should be listed on the award letter from your college.

All State aid funds are sent directly to the college.



MI Student Aid — Programs at a Glance			
Program	Details	Deadline	Award
Children of Veterans Tuition Grant (CVTG) Provides tuition assistance to the children of Michigan Veterans who are totally and permanently disabled, missing in action, or deceased.	A FAFSA must be submitted. A one-time program-specific application must be completed. Available in the MiSSG Student Portal. Can award students at community colleges, public universities, and private or independent, non-profit colleges and universities.	N/A	\$2,800
Fostering Futures Scholarship (FFS) Provides assistance for college expenses to Michigan students who had formerly been in foster care.	A FAFSA must be completed. A yearly program-specific application must be completed yearly. Available in the MiSSG Student Portal. Must demonstrate financial need. Can award students at community colleges, public universities, and private or independent, non-profit colleges and universities.	June 30 program application	\$3,000
Michigan Competitive Scholarship (MCS) Provides tuition assistance to students who scored at least 1200 on the SAT. Award amount is the same as MTG when attending a private or independent, non-profit college or university.	A FAFSA must be completed. Must demonstrate financial need. Available in the MiSSG Student Portal. Can award students at community colleges, public universities, and private or independent, non-profit colleges and universities.	March 1 FAFSA	\$1,000
Michigan Tuition Grant (MTG) Provides tuition assistance to students attending a Michigan private or independent non-profit college or university.	A FAFSA must be completed. Must demonstrate financial need. Available in the MiSSG Student Portal. Can award students at private or independent, non-profit colleges and universities.	March 1 FAFSA	\$2,400
Police Officer's and Fire Fighter's Survivor Tuition Grant (STG) Provides a waiver of tuition for children and surviving spouses of Michigan police officers and fire fighters killed in the line of duty.	A FAFSA must be submitted. A yearly program-specific application must be completed. Must demonstrate financial need. Available in the MiSSG Student Portal. Can award students at community colleges and public universities.	N/A	Varies
Talent for Tomorrow Scholarship (TTS) Provides scholarships to assist low-income students, who meet the income requirement for the Healthy Michigan Plan, with the cost of obtaining a qualifying degree or credential in a high-demand field.	A FAFSA must be submitted. Can award students at community colleges, public universities, private or independent, non-profit colleges and universities, and private training programs that offer a minimum one-year certificate or degree. Must enroll full-time.	N/A	Varies
Tuition Incentive Program (TIP) Provides assistance to Michigan students who have received Medicaid. Students must certify no later than August 31 of their senior year in high school.	A FAFSA must be submitted. A one-time program-specific application must be completed. Available in the MiSSG Student Portal. Can award students at community colleges, public universities, and private or independent, non-profit colleges and universities.	August 31	Varies

Detailed information about our programs and services are available at www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid. MiSSG Student Portal is available at www.michigan.gov/missg. Awards are subject to approved and available funding.

Foster Care Financial Aid Champions

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ALBION COLLEGE	Skip Zabel	szabel@albion.edu	517-629-0440
ALMA COLLEGE	Michelle McNier	mcnierml@alma.edu	989-463-7423
ALPENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	Amanda Belusar	belusara@alpenacc.edu	989-358-7205
AQUINAS COLLEGE	Darcy Kampfsculte	kampfdar@aquinas.edu	616-632-2894
BAKER COLLEGE OF ALLEN PARK	Gary Neslon	gary.nelson@baker.edu	313-425-3838
BAKER COLLEGE - AUBIRN HILLS	Juanita Martiniz	juanita.martinez@baker.e du	248-276-8215
BAKER COLLEGE - CLINTON TOWNSHIP	Lori Larimer	lori.larimer@baker.edu	586-790-2810
BAKER COLLEGE - FLINT	Maria Hersetin	mhersto1@baker.edu	810-766-4365
BAKER COLLEGE - OWOSSO	Crystal Crowe	crystal.crowe@baker.edu	989-729-3368
CALVIN COLLEGE	Paula Elenbaas	pke2@calvin.edu	616-526-7936
CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	Julie Wilson	wilso1jl@cmich.edu	989-774-7426
CLEARY UNIVERSITY - HOWELL	Vesta Smith Campbell	vscampbell@cleary.edu	517-338-3042 ext. 1101
COMPASS COLLEGE OF CINEMATIC ARTS	Carla Bender	carla.b@compass.edu	616-988-1000
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY	Katie Wonderly	katie.wonderly@cuaa.edu	734-995-7237
CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY	Carol Carpenter	carol.carpenter@cornersto ne.edu	
DAVENPORT UNIVERSITY	Lori Russell Island Ellerby	lrussell25@davenport.edu iellerby@davenport.edu	616-808-3728 517-367-8218
DELTA COLLEGE	Elsa Olvera	elsaolvera@delta.edu	989-686-9294
DORSEY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS	Caren Stewart	cstewart@dorsey.edu	248-585-9200 ext. 11309
DOUGLAS J AVEDA INSTITUTE - EAST LANSING	Courtney Hooper	courtney.hooper@douglasj .com	616-808-3082
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	Stephanie Petsch	spetsch@emich.edu	734-487-1056
ELEVATE SALON INSTITUTE	Lindsay Kopasz	lkopasz@esiroyaloak.com	586-783-7358
FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY	Krissy Workman	kristineworkman@ferris.e du	231-591-2034
GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE	Kristine Welling	kwelling@grcc.edu	616-234-3598

Institution	Foster Care Champion	Email	Phone
GREAT LAKES CHRISTIAN COLLEGE	Ryan Apple	financial aid@glcc.edu	517-321-0242 ext. 227
HENRY FORD COLLEGE	Beverly Walters	bawalters@hfcc.edu	313-317-1538
HILLSDALE COLLEGE	Richard Moeggenberg	rmoeggenberg@hillsdale .edu	517-607-2350
IRENE'S MYOMASSOLOGY INSTITUTE	Susan Vert	susan@irenes.edu	248-350-1400
ITT TECHNICAL INSTITUTE - DEARBORN	Leigh Anne Coughlin	lcoughlin@itt-tech.edu	313-278-5208
JACKSON COLLEGE	Brett Kiesel	kieselbrettc@jccmi.edu	517-796-8410
KALAMAZOO COLLEGE	Becca Murphy	rmurphy@kzoo.edu	269-337-7193
KETTERING UNIVERSITY	Diane Bice	dbice@kettering.edu	810-762-7491
KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE	Audrey Larkin	audrey.larkin@kirtland. edu	989-275-5000 ext. 260
KUYPER COLLEGE	Agnes Russell	arussell@kuyper.edu	616-988-3656
LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE	Elizabeth Stallard	spitzll@lcc.edu	517-483-1945
LAWRENCE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY	Sherry Holt- Campbell	sholtcamp@ltu.edu	248-204-2125
MARYGROVE COLLEGE	Yolanda Moore	ymoore0257@marygrov e.edu	313-927-1881
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY	Jennifer Shappell	shappel2@msu.edu	517-353-5940
MICHIGAN TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY	Joe Cooper	jjcooper@mtu.edu	906-487-2622
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MUSKEGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE	Carolyn Kamerad	carolyn.kamerad@musk egoncc.edu	231-777-0402
NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	JoDee Larsh	jlarsh@nmu.edu	906-227-1560
NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE	Katie Malone	kmalone@nmc.edu	231-995-2140
NORTHWOOD UNIVERSITY	Nick Messing	nmessing@northwood.e du	989-837-4230
ROCHESTER COLLEGE	Cindy Brissette	cbrissette@rc.edu	248-218-2028
SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY	Cherie Reynolds	careynol@svsu.edu	989-964-4104
SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE	Rachel Burtka	rburtka@schoolcraft.edu	734-462-4720
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ST CLAIR COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	Jo Cassar	jcassar@sc4.edu	810-989-5539
TAYLORTOWN SCHOOL OF BEAUTY	Caren Stewart	cstewart@dorsey.edu	248-585-9200 ext. 11309

UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY	Jenny McAlonan	mcalonjl@udmercy.edu	313-993-3354
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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - DEARBORN	Sally Foster	sfoster@umich.edu	313-593-5300
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - FLINT	Lori Vedder Tynesia Davis	lvedder@umflint.edu tsivad@umflint.edu	810-762-3238 810-424-5677
WASHTENAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE	Shan Hunter	shunte17@wccnet.edu	734-973-3571
WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY	Joilyn Stephenson	joistep@wayne.edu	313-577-9232

As well Grand Valley has a program called Fostering Laker Success

Our Mission

To recruit, retain, and graduate youth that have experience with the foster care system with the goal of post-secondary completion at GVSU.

Our Coach

Jessica R Campbell, MSW

Independent Living Skills Coach campbej1@gvsu.edu

616-331-2748



If you have experienced the Foster Care system and wish to attend one of these schools, make sure to get in contact with one of these Foster Care Champions, who will aid you in navigating financial aid, scholarships, student life and academic success. Research the school you wish to attend Foster Care Program for its support and benefits.

Example: WMU offers a renewable scholarship for students who have experienced the foster care system.



What is TIP?

The Tuition Incentive Program encourages students to complete high school by providing college tuition assistance after araduation.

How does TIP work?

TIP helps the student pursue a certificate or associate degree by providing tuition and mandatory fee assistance at participating Michigan institutions.

After earning a certificate, associate degree, or even 56 transferable credits, the student can then be eligible to receive up to \$500 per semester while pursuing a bachelor's degree, not to exceed \$2000 total



@mistudentaid

Student Scholarships and Grants

P.O. Box 30462 Lansing, MI 48909-7962 1-888-447-2687

www.michigan.gov/ssg

Have you ever been Medicaid eligible?

If so, then you might be TIP eligible! If you qualified for Medicaid for at least two years between age nine and high school graduation, you are encouraged to contact MI Student Aid to learn more and complete your TIP application, if eligible.

How Do I Complete My Application or Check My Eligibility?

There are two ways to check eligibility or complete an application:

- Create a MISSG Student Portal account, log in, and complete the online application.
- 2. Call our Customer Care Center at 888-447-2687.
 - · Only eligible students may complete an application.
 - Eligible students must complete the application before August 31st of their graduating year from high school. Students must graduate from high school before their 20th birthday.
 - Beginning with the class of 2017, students who attend an Early/ Middle College Program have until age 21 to graduate and complete the TIP application. Students who meet this criteria must contact us to complete the application.

Where is the MiSSG Student Portal?

Go to www.michigan.gov/missg and click the Student button.

What Happens After I Complete My Application?

Only the institution you list first on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be notified of your TIP eligibility. If you decide to attend another institution, you can update it in the MiSSG Student Portal or by contacting the Customer Care Center.

How Does TIP Pay?

After your institution verifies your enrollment of at least six credit hours, the TIP payment will be sent directly to your institution to be applied towards your bill.

What Institutions Participate in TIP?

See the reverse side of this flyer to learn which institutions participate, how much TIP covers, and more!



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES BUREAU

Institution Name	Accepts Phase I A	ccepts Phase	e II Institution Type
Adrian College	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Albion College	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Alma College	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Alpena Community College	YES	YES	Community College
Andrews University	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Aquinas College	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Baker College	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Bay de Noc Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Bay Mills Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Calvin College	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Central Michigan University	NO	YES	Public University
Cleary University	YES	YES	Independent or Private
College for Creative Studies	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Compass College of Cinematic Arts	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Concordia University	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Cornerstone University	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Davenport University	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Delta College	YES	NO	Community College
Eastern Michigan University	NO	YES	Public University
Ferris State University	YES	YES	Public University
Finlandia University	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Focus: HOPE	YES	NO	Independent or Private
Glen Oaks Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Gogebic Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Grace Bible College	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Grand Rapids Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Grand Valley State University	NO NO	YES	Public University
Great Lakes Christian College	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Henry Ford College	YES	YES	Community College
Hope College	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Jackson College	YES	YES	Community College
Kalamazoo College	NO VEG	YES	Independent or Private
Kalamazoo Valley Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Kellogg Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Kettering University	NO VEC	YES	Independent or Private
Kirtland Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Kuyper College	YES YES	YES	Independent or Private
Lake Michigan College		NO	Community College
Lake Superior State University	YES	YES	Public University
Lansing Community College	YES YES	NO YES	Community College
Lawrence Technological University	YES	NO 1E3	Independent or Private
Macomb Community College Madonna University	YES		Community College
Marygrove College	YES	YES YES	Independent or Private
Michigan State University	YES	YES	Independent or Private Public University
Michigan Technological University	YES	YES	Public University
Mid Michigan Community College	YES	NO NO	Community College
Monroe County Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Montcalm Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Mott Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Muskegon Community College	YES	NO	Community College
North Central Michigan College	YES	NO	Community College
Northern Michigan University	YES	YES	Public University
Northwestern Michigan College	YES	YES	Community College
Northwood University	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Oakland Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Oakland University	NO NO	YES	Public University
Olivet College	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Rochester College	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Sacred Heart Major Seminary	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College	YES	NO	Community College
Saginaw Valley State University	NO	YES	Public University
Saint Clair County Community College	YES	NO	Community College
Schoolcraft College	YES	NO	Community College
Siena Heights University	YES	YES	Independent or Private
Southwestern Michigan College	YES	NO	Community College
Spring Arbor University	NO NO	YES	Independent or Private
University of Detroit Mercy	NO	YES	Independent or Private
University of Michigan - Ann Arbor	NO	YES	Public University
University of Michigan - Dearborn	NO	YES	Public University
University of Michigan - Flint	NO	YES	Public University
Walsh College	NO	YES	Independent or Private
Washtenaw Community College	YES	NO	Community College
	YES	NO	Community College
Wayne County Community College		1.00	
Wayne County Community College Wayne State University		YES	
Wayne County Community College Wayne State University West Shore Community College	NO YES	YES NO	Public University Community College

Phase I Summary:

Must be certificate or associate degree program taking classes within that degree program. Assistance for 24 credit hours of tuition per academic year with rate determined by school type and up to \$250 per semester of mandatory fees. Does not cover contact hours or tiered tuition rates.

Phase II Summary:

Must have certificate, associate degree, or 56 transferable semester credits. Assistance of up to \$500 per semester; maximum \$2,000 over program.

Community College:

Phase I uses applicable in-district or out-of-district tuition rate. Some community colleges are authorized to offer bachelor's degrees. Contact your college to see how this may impact TIP eligibility.

Public Universities:

Phase I uses lower-resident tuition rate. Colleges and universities are limited to \$8.5 million in TIP reimbursements per academic year and are responsible for identifying who of their eligible students may be awarded TIP.

Independent or Private Colleges and Universities:

Phase I uses average community college tuition rate (determined yearly). Contact SSG for the current academic year's rate.

Detailed program information can be found at www.michigan.gov/ssg under the Programs tab.

All programs are subject to approved and available funding.

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Participating Institutions²

Adrian College
Albion College
Alma College
Alma College
Andrews University

Kuyper College

Aquinas College Lawrence Technological University

Baker College Madonna University
Calvin College Marygrove College
Cleary University Northwood University

College for Creative Studies Olivet College
Compass College of Cinematic Arts Rochester College

Concordia University

Cornerstone University

Siena Heights University

Davenport University

Spring Arbor University

Finlandia University

University of Detroit Mercy

Grace Bible College Walsh College

Great Lakes Christian College

² SSG will make your initial award based on the first Michigan college listed on your FAFSA. You may change your college choice via the MiSSG Student Portal (www.michigan.gov/missg) or by phone at 888-447-2687.

³ Only students enrolled in the bachelor's degree program in philosophy are eligible for MTG consideration.

In-state College Admission/Scholarship Deadlines

<u>College</u>	Early Admission Deadlines	Applications for Scholarship
Grand Valley State University	February 1	December 31
Michigan State University	November 1	November 1
Central Michigan University	November 15	November 15
Eastern Michigan University	January 15	January 15
University of Michigan	November 1	November 1
Wayne State University	February 1	November 1
Western Michigan University	February 1	November 1
Ferris State University	October 1	October 1
Oakland University	March 1	March 1
Grand Rapids Community College (GRCC)	December 1	March 1
Davenport University	February 1	December 1
Calvin College	February 1	February 1
Michigan Technological University	January 15	January 15
Baker (Muskegon)	February 1	December 1

Side Notes:

- To receive federal financial aid, most colleges require students to complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
- If you are applying for a scholarship, you must meet both the admission and scholarship deadlines for application.
- Some schools have multiple scholarship deadlines, depending on the scholarship. Check with the school to make sure you are meeting all deadlines.
- Remember that FASFA opens October 1st and we recommend doing it as soon as possible, while the deadline to receive the most aid is March 1st and the absolute deadline to complete it is June 30th.

These are average scores from last year, but the best way to confirm accuracy is to call the school's admissions office.

School	Code	Admissions Score	GPA
GVSU	1258	1050-1230	3.3-3.8
CMU	1106	1140	3.3
WMU	1902	1090	3.4
EMU	1201	1100	3.28
U of M (AA)	1839	1380-1540	3.8
MSU	1465	11201290	3.5-3.9
Ferris	1222	1250	3.25
Mercy	1835	1140	3.5
MI Tech	1464	1280	3.7
AQ	1018	1040	3.5
Wayne	1898	1060-1320	3.2
GRCC	1254	940+	2.2

Sample Request for Letter of Recommendation

123 Orange Street Detroit, MI 48224 (313) 736-0384

October 18, 2018

Ms. Danielle Davis, English Teacher North High School 536 North Drive Detroit, MI 48224

Dear Ms. Davis:

As you know, I am in the 12th grade and I am hoping to attend the University of Michigan next year. I am applying for the LMNOP Scholarship. This scholarship is very competitive, and I need your assistance as someone who is aware of my academic abilities and community service activities.

I would appreciate it if you could write a letter of recommendation for me for this scholarship. I have enclosed a resume and an information sheet to assist you in writing my letter of recommendation. The LMNOP Scholarship has very strict rules (1) about how to write the recommendation so I have listed the rules below:

- Each letter must be addressed "Dear LMNOP Judges"
- State how you know me and for how long
- Include your signature, address, telephone, title, and date
- Make sure it is no longer than one page
- (2) I hope to complete the application process by the end of November. If possible, could you complete my recommendation by November 16? The scholarship deadline is November 28, 2010. Whether you know it or not, Ms. Davis, you have had a significant impact on my academic success. (3) Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely, Jason Jones

Tips:

- 1) Be specific about what you need from your recommender.
- 2) Give your recommender lots of advance notice.
- 3) Thank your recommender

Resources & Scholarship Websites

Scholarships are so important! When you apply for a scholarship you apply for FREE money in college that you don't have to pay back. Scholarships help remove some of the burden of paying for college and lower the amount you may have to take out in student loans. Some of the scholarships listed below are national scholarships, while others are local scholarships. While you should definitely apply to as many scholarships as possible, usually you have a better chance of receiving rewards from local scholarships.

http://www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid - Michigan Student Aid, includes Michigan Tuition Incentive Program

https://www.salliemae.com/ - The simple and smart school loan option for undergraduate students.

Make college happen with the Smart Option Student Loan. As your undergraduate school loan solution, it offers competitive interest rates and various financial and educational benefits, including a choice of repayment options. Plus, you can borrow up to 100% of the school-certified cost of attendance.

http://www.gmsp.org/ - The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) program, established in 1999, is a 1.6 billion dollar initiative funded by a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The goal of the GMS program is to promote academic excellence and to provide an opportunity for outstanding minority students with significant financial need to reach their highest potential by:

- Reducing financial barriers for African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American and Hispanic American students with high academic and leadership promise who have significant financial need.
- Increasing the representation of these target groups in the disciplines of computer science, education, engineering, library science, mathematics, public health and the sciences, where these groups are severely underrepresented.
- Developing a diversified cadre of future leaders for America by facilitating successful completion of bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees.
- Providing seamless support from undergraduate through doctoral programs for students selected as Gates Millennium Scholars entering target disciplines.

www.fastweb.com - General scholarship database and "Michigan Scholarships Online."

https://treas-secure.state.mi.us/osg/welcome.asp - Michigan Scholarships Online, your delivery system for helping students attend Michigan colleges through the state's Competitive Scholarship, Tuition Grant and Post-Secondary Access Student Scholarship (PASS) programs. This is a secure site providing students online access to their records with the Office of Scholarship and Grants. Only students who have taken the SAT Assessment test and/or completed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) (https://fafsa.ed.gov/) have records on this site.

osg@michigan.gov - Forgot your login and password? Contact the Office of Scholarships and Grants at 1-888-447-2687

http://www.blackexcel.org/100minority.htm - 100 Minority Scholarships Gateway List

• Rosa L. Parks Foundation

\$2,000 non-renewable scholarships for \$1,000 yearly

- Be a senior attending a public or private Michigan school
- Graduate by August of application year
- Have GPA of 2.5 or above
- Complete an application from and essay
- Copy of SAT scores
- http://www.rosaparksscholarshipfoundation.org/
- CGTrader Scholarship CGTrader is the largest 3D model marketplace backed by the strong designer community of
 more than 500k members. Each semester CGTrader challenges students to dig into the field of technology by
 writing an essay on how innovative technologies are transforming our lives. Enter the CGTrader Scholarship 2017
 challenge to win \$3,000 for your education bills. The best submission will be awarded \$2,000 while the two
 runners-up will receive \$500 each. Minimum GPA requirement is a 2.5
 - o https://www.cgtrader.com/scholarships
- Fostering Futures Scholarship Program The Fostering Futures Scholarship is available on a first-come, first-served basis to students who have been placed by the Department of Health and Human Services in the Michigan foster care system on or after their 13th birthday. There is no maximum age restriction for the student. The student must be enrolled at least half-time as an undergraduate at a Michigan public or private degree-granting four-year college/university or a community college. You can apply for this scholarship every year
 - o https://www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid/
- **Prospective Educator Scholarship** The PDK Educational Foundation awards more than 30 scholarships each year to prospective educators who have a connection to PDK by having a family member or teacher who is a PDK member, or through membership in the Future Educators Association
 - https://pdkintl.org/programs-resources/scholarships-awards/prospective-educator-scholarships/
- The Michigan Oil & Gas Producers Education Foundation James R. Bigard Scholarship Fund was established in 2012 to provide Michigan high school senior students having a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (computed on a 4.0 scale) and have been accepted for enrollment at a Michigan university of community college. There will be a \$500 scholarship awarded to the top 5 applicants, to be paid directly to the university or college where the applicant is enrolled. Qualified applicants must be pursuing a degree in teaching with the specialty in science and have the need for financial assistance.
 - o http://www.mogpef.org/

The Alsame Scholarship

This scholarship is intended to recognize and support students who, through their past activities or educational aspirations, have indicated an interest in the advancement of underrepresented groups in the United States.

- Deadline is March 39th.
- o Be a high school senior
- Have a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.50
- o Graduate from a high school in Michigan
- Latino/a or Hispanic ancestry
- o https://alsame.org/scholarships/
- The Lake Michigan Credit Union Hutt Scholarship

Established in 1990, this scholarship program honors the legacy of Lloyd F. Hutt – teacher and founder of LMCU. Each year, we establish a question for high school seniors to answer in the form of an essay and award (15) \$2,000 scholarships

https://www.lmcu.org/about/communityrelations/huttscholarship/

• The University Club, GR Scholarship

The University Club of Grand Rapids Scholarship Foundation has been established with the purpose of assisting students who express a strong desire to remain in or return to West Michigan upon completion of their studies. Applicants may attend any college or accredited vocational school: in-state, out-of-state, 2-year or 4-year program.

https://universityclubgr.com/membership/scholarship-foundation/

The University of Michigan Club, Grand Rapids Scholarship

The U of M Club of Grand Rapids currently provides financial aid to over 60 students from West Michigan who are attending the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. The scholarships are awarded for four years and currently \$3,750 per year per student. In addition to meeting academic qualifications, students must demonstrate financial need and outstanding citizenship. To qualify for the scholarship, students must be a senior preparing to graduate from an eligible West Michigan area high school.

https://community.alumni.umich.edu/grandrapids/scholarships/scholarship-information

• Grand Rapids Trans Foundation Scholarship

This scholarship fund is to help transgender students with education-related expenses while pursuing a degree or certificate from an accredited college, university, or technical / vocational program with a satellite campus or permanent presence in Kent County, MI. This award is open to people of any age who identify as transgender (including non-binary, two-spirit, third gender, transsexual, and/or any other non-cis gender identity) and who demonstrate financial need.

https://grtransfoundation.org/scholarship/

• Grand Rapids Rotary Club: Boyden-Shearer Scholarship

The Scholarship is awarded annually to a qualified area high school seniors who have met four standards: scholastic achievement, athletic accomplishment, community service and financial need.

Applicants for the Boyden-Shearer Scholarship must have a minimum of a 3.5 grade point average and limited to seniors at the following schools:

- Catholic Central High School
- City High
- East Grand Rapids High School
- Grand Rapids Christian High School
- Grand River Preparatory High School
- Innovation Central High School
- Ottawa Hills High School
- Union High School
- West Catholic High School

http://grrotary.org/students-youth/boyden-shearer-scholarship/

Polish Heritage Society Scholarship

The purpose of this scholarship fund is to provide financial assistance to students from West Michigan who are of Polish descent. Scholarships will be awarded based on the following criteria:

Must be a full-time student with a minimum 2.75 GPA.

All recipients must be of Polish descent, and must provide a brief statement (signed and dated) delineating their heritage.

Scholarships will be awarded to the following schools:

Aquinas College

Grand Valley State University

Grand Rapids Community College

Davenport University

http://www.polishheritagesociety.com/scholarship.html

• Mary Free Bed Disability Scholarship

- Must possess a diagnosed physical disability related to a brain injury, spinal cord injury, stroke, limb difference, or overcoming any other serious acquired or congenital neurological condition treatable through rehabilitation
- Cumulative high school or college GPA of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale (overall and in the chosen area of study)
- Must be able to competitively apply oneself in the desired

field of study, potentially with reasonable accommodations

- Student currently enrolled in, or accepted into an accredited college or university as at least a half-time status (Half time as determined by the school)
- Demonstrates leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular, or other volunteer activities
- Citizen of the United States
- Demonstrates a commitment to serving diverse populations
- Must be a permanent resident in one of the following counties: Allegan, Barry, Calhoun, Eaton, Ionia, Kalamazoo, Kent, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Ottawa or Van Buren http://www.michigancolleges.org/current-scholarships

• Mary Free Bed Minority Scholarship

- Currently enrolled in, or accepted in, an accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking student in a nursing program, or graduate-level physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech language pathology, therapeutic recreation, orthotics or prosthetics, or neuropsychology program
- Cumulative college GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale (overall and in the chosen area of study)
- Demonstrated leadership ability through participation in community service, extracurricular or other volunteer
- Black or African American, Asian, Hispanic or Latino,

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, American Indian or Alaskan Native

- Citizen of the United States
- Demonstrates a commitment to serving diverse populations
- Applicant must be a permanent resident of one of the following Michigan counties: Allegan, Barry, Calhoun, Eaton, Ionia, Kalamazoo, Kent, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Ottawa or Van Buren http://www.michigancolleges.org/current-scholarships

Grand Rapids Federation of Music Scholarships

https://www.livemusicgr.org/scholarships

• Kraft Business Scholarships

• Kraft Business Systems will be awarding one high school student and two college students in West Michigan with a \$1,000 scholarship each.

https://kraftbusiness.com/scholarships/

• The Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarship

is a \$2,500 one-time scholarship awarded to a graduating high school senior with a documented learning disability and/or ADHD who will be enrolled in a two-year community college, a vocational or technical training program, or a specialized program for students with learning and attention issues in the fall of 2018. http://ldaofmichigan.org/news/scholarship-opportunities-high-school-seniors/

The Anne Ford Scholarship

A \$10,000 scholarship (\$2,500/year over four years) granted to a graduating high school senior with a documented learning disability and/or ADHD who will be enrolled in a full-time bachelor's degree program in the fall of 2018. http://ldaofmichigan.org/news/scholarship-opportunities-high-school-seniors/

• Hispanic Scholarship Fund

Scholarships are based on Merit and Need from \$500-\$5,000

- Must be of Hispanic Heritage
- Minimum of 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) for High School Students
- Minimum of 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) for College and Graduate Students
- Plan to enroll Full-Time in an accredited, not-for-profit, 4-year university, or graduate school, during the FALL of a scholarship cycle (year)
- U.S. Citizen, Permanent Legal Resident, DACA or Eligible Non-Citizen (as defined by FAFSA)
- Complete FAFSA or state based financial aid application (if applicable) https://www.hsf.net/

Burger King Scholars

- The requirements to become a BURGER KINGSM Scholar are simple. You must apply within the application period, and fit the prerequisites below:
- Have a strong academic record with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5,
- Be passionate about serving the community, and
- Be a high school senior, BURGER KING® employee, spouse/domestic partner or child of an employee.
- https://bkmclamorefoundation.org/who-we-are/programs/burger-king-scholars-program/application-information/

• Coca-Cola Scholarship Program

- Scholarship Deadline: October 31st of senior year
- www.coca-colascholars.org

The Gates Millennium Scholar Program

www.gmsp.org

Grand Rapids Community Foundation

- Scholarship Deadline: April 1st
- www.grfoundation.org/scholarships

Grand Valley State University Scholarships

Many of the Grand Valley Scholarships are online and deadlines are March 1st https://www.gvsu.edu/financialaid/myscholarships-163.htm

• Urban Schools Scholarship

- Scholarship Deadline: December 31
 - *Must apply to Grand Valley State University by December 31 to be eligible
- www.gvsu.edu/financialaid/scholarships-102-urban-schools-scholarship.htm

Grand Valley Grant Assistance

www.gvsu.edu/financialaid/grants-21.htm

• Hispanic College Fund- Scholarship Program

http://scholarships.hispanicfund.org/applications/

Scholarships.com

- Free online scholarship search website
- https://www.scholarships.com/

The College Board

www.collegeboard.org

• Niche

- www.niche.com
- Collegenet.com

• Scholarship Monkey

www.scholarshipmonkey.com

Chegg

www.chegg.com

Cappex

www.cappex.com

• Latino Youth Conference

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Dell Scholars

https://www.dellscholars.org/scholarship/

Comcast Scholarship

https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/leadersandachievers/

Western Michigan University Foundation Scholarship

https://wmich.edu/admissions/foundation

EOA Scholarship

http://www.eoa.org/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=254413&module_id=286222

• **Go Blue Guarantee Scholarship** (Free Tuition at University of Michigan) https://finaid.umich.edu/go-blue-guarantee-eligibility/

Jack Cooke Kent Foundation

https://www.jkcf.org/our-scholarships/college-scholarship-program/

The Google Scholarship Program

The <u>Google Scholarship Program</u> encompasses a variety of financial aid offerings that further higher education among under-represented groups. To recruit top talent to business and technology careers, Google steers student aid to low-income students and other minority groups.

Some current Google awards and the groups they serve:

- Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship This focused scholarship targets women pursuing degrees in computer science disciplines. Applicants from The United States and Canada compete for funds that are awarded based on academic achievement and leadership potential. Winners are also invited to a retreat at Google, where they engage with their peers in networking environments and participate in career development activities sponsored by the company.
- American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) partners with Google to administer a scholarship worth \$10,000 to American Indians aspiring to enter computer related fields. Applicants must be full-time students pursuing degrees in computer science or computer engineering. A 3.0 GPA is required, as well as sophomore status. Candidates are drawn from AISES membership, and must also be members of Indian tribes.

• YWCA Helen Claytor Achievement Scholarship

https://www.ywcawcmi.org/upcoming-events/tribute-awards/nominations/

Colleges Offering Free Tuition for Low Income Families:

https://www.collegeraptor.com/find-colleges/articles/affordability-college-cost/these-10-expensive-colleges-have-free-tuition-or-full-ride-scholarships-for-middle-class-families/

Check out more local Grand Rapids Scholarships at:

http://marketgrandrapids.com/blog/grand-rapids-scholarship-opportunities

http://grteens.com/scholarships/local-scholarships/

http://www.michigancolleges.org/current-scholarships

http://www.thetechcenter.org/students/scholarshipopportunities/

TRIO Based Scholarships

GVSU

Early Awareness Scholarship (Michigan and Non-Michigan Resident)

Award amount: \$3,000 (renewable up to a total of four years) Recipients of this scholarship will have at least two years of participation in one of the following programs:

- The Detroit Compact
- Wade H. McCree, Jr. Incentive Scholarship
- Introspect Youth Services, Inc.
- Ada S. McKinley Community Services, Inc.
- TRIO Upward Bound
- TRIO Talent Search
- GEAR UP
- Must have a 3.3 high school grade point average and a 21 ACT composite score
- Non-residents of Michigan may also qualify with a 990 on the SAT on the critical math and combined science score
- Cannot be combined with the Urban Schools Scholarship or a Native American Tuition Grant
- Must maintain 2.5 grade point average and Satisfactory Academic Progress at Grand Valley
- Requires full-time enrollment
- Students receiving this scholarship are also encouraged to participate in one of the structured student success programs on campus
- Total award value: \$12,000

Transfer Student Early Awareness Scholarship

Award amount: \$3,000 (renewable up to a total of two years). Recipients of this scholarship will have at least two years of participation in one of the following programs:

- The Detroit Compact
- Wade H. McCree, Jr. Incentive Scholarship
- Introspect Youth Services, Inc.
- Ada S. McKinley Community Services, Inc.
- TRIO Upward Bound
- TRIO Talent Search
- GEAR UP
- Must have a 3.0 cumulative community college grade point average and completed 30 college credit hours at the time of review
- Cannot be combined with the Transfer Student Urban Schools Scholarship or a Native American Tuition Grant
- Must maintain 2.5 grade point average and <u>Satisfactory Academic Progress</u> at Grand Valley
- Requires full-time enrollment
- Students receiving this scholarship are also encouraged to participate in one of the structured student success programs on campus
- Total award value: \$6,000

WMU

M.L.K. GOLD Scholarship

Award Amount: \$8,000 a year, renewable for up to four years. The requirements of the scholarship are:

- Have at least two years of participation in one of the following programs: TRIO Programs: Education Opportunity Center, GEAR UP, Talent Search, or Upward Bound
- Have participated in a Migrant Education Program
- Must have a 3.2 high school grade point average and be admitted to the University by the deadline
- Must complete the scholarship application in its entirety as well as:
 - O Write an essay (500 words max.)
 - Submit a letter from one of the above TRIO Program Directors OR Certificate of Eligibility (COE) from a Migrant Education Program

The MI-CAPP Endowment Fund

Talk to your advisor to learn more about these scholarship opportunities: http://micapp.org/scholarships.htm





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