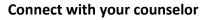


Northwestern High School

Counseling Department Newsletter October 2022—*Paying for College*





REMINDER FAFSA available October 1



<u>4 TIPS TO PAY FOR COLLEGE</u>

 Fill out the FAFSA Receive federal grants, work-study opportunities, student loans and some state and school based aid

Search for Scholarships

Find free money related to your hobbies and interests, civic involvement, immediate family member's military status, race or ethnicity, location, and your work history

Choose an affordable school

Ask colleges about their scholarships and aid given to students. Also, transferring from a 2 Year to 4 Year schools can be very cost effective if you stay in-state

Federal Loans

Given through the FAFSA, federal loans come with benefits like Income based repayment plans and loan forgiveness

FAFSA-Free Application for Federal Student Aid **Application opens 10/1/2022**

- ✓ SENIORS!!! Complete the FAFSA application to qualify for grants and scholarships from the government
- Students who don't complete the FAFSA leave behind billions of dollars in unclaimed federal Pell Grant Money
- ✓ Parents—You will use your prior-prior tax year information to fill out your part of the FAFSA
- ✓ It's <u>free to apply</u> and the earlier you apply the more money available. Submit your FAFSA application by 03/01/2023 for greatest consideration
- ✓ Need help? Call the FAFSA help hotline at 800-433-3243
- <u>https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa</u>

Check out these scholarship search engines:

<u>www.fastweb.com</u> www.scholarships.com www.hsf.net Remember: Never pay to join a scholarship site

www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org

www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-scholarships.aspx

	South Carolina IN-STATE SCHOLARSHIPS All are renewable if you keep a 3.0 College GPA and take 30 credit hours each year				
Merit Based Scholarships	Life (4 Yr)	Life (2 YR)	Hope (4 YR)	Palmetto Fellows	Lottery Tuition Assistance
 excellence, athletic, or artistic achievements Apply to colleges early deadlines as most schools will also review each application to award school scholarships Check out more: <u>https://www.unigo.com/scholarships/mer</u> 	\$5,000 per year	Up to \$5000 + \$300 for books	\$2,500 + \$300 for books	\$6,700 for the first year, \$7,500	Portion of tuition
	Two out of Three: -3.0 Final GPA -1100 SAT or 24 ACT -Final Rank in top 30%	3.0 Final GPA	3.0 Final GPA—can graduate into the Life for following year	1200 SAT or 25 ACT <u>PLUS</u> 3.5 GPA, <u>PLUS</u> Top 6% rank in 10, 11, or 12 th <u>OR</u> 1400 SAT or 31 ACT plus 4.0	SC Resident and enrolled in at least 6 credit hours