

**Apply for aid.**

Fill out scholarships and applications for financial aid. For each college on your list, make sure you complete all applications for scholarships and financial aid.

**Helpful websites:**  
GenTX Way to Pay ([gentx.org/financialaid](http://gentx.org/financialaid))

**Start the FAFSA process.**

Begin filling out your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov).

**Helpful websites:**  
FAFSA ([fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov))  
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**Submit your FAFSA.**

Complete and submit the FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1 (ideally, after your parents' tax information has been imported by the IRS). The sooner you submit the FAFSA, the better your chances are for getting a good financial aid package.

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**Apply for scholarships and grants.**

Fill out as many scholarship applications as possible, and submit them by their required deadlines.

**Helpful websites:**  
Find Scholarships ([findaid.org/scholarships](http://findaid.org/scholarships))  
Fastweb ([fastweb.com](http://fastweb.com))  
Cappex ([cappex.com](http://cappex.com))  
Scholarships.com ([scholarships.com](http://scholarships.com))

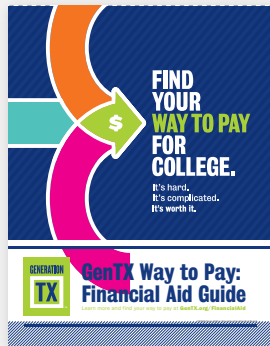
**Compare financial aid letters.**

Review and compare financial aid award letters with your counselor or college adviser.

**Talk to your financial aid office.**

Talk with a financial aid counselor at your school to learn how you can use your college savings and scholarships to reduce your college loan amounts.

**Helpful websites:**  
Understand Borrowing Money for College ([aie.org](http://aie.org))  
GenTX Way to Pay ([gentx.org/financialaid](http://gentx.org/financialaid))



## GenTX Way to Pay Financial Aid Guide

This helpful guide provides a wealth of information for students and parents beginning the financial aid process. From an explanation of

the challenges surrounding FAFSA to an in-depth look at the many types of financial aid, this is a great reference you can download and print in English or Spanish as you find your way to pay for college.

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