Financial Aid Application Guide

Please be sure to use a personal email to complete your financial aid application - **DO NOT** use your school email.

FAFSA or DREAM ACT Application – which application will I be completing?

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (<u>FAFSA</u>): Student is a US Citizen or Permanent Resident
 - This helpful <u>video</u> will guide you through the steps of completing this application (first 35 minutes)
- California Dream Act Application (CADAA): Undocumented or DACA-status students
 - This helpful <u>video</u> will guide you through the steps of completing this application

What documents will I need?

- Create student *and* parent <u>FSA ID</u>, if applicable (see instructions below)
- Parent(s) 2019 Income Tax Forms
- Parent(s) W2s
- Student's 2019 Income Tax Forms, if applicable
- Student W2(s), if applicable
- Student Social Security Number, if you have one
- Parent's Social Security Number, if you have one
- Student Permanent Residency Registration Number, if applicable

What is an FSA ID?

- The FSA ID will serve as your **FAFSA** electronic signature.
- Student and at least one parent/guardian should create an FSA ID
- If parents do not have a social security number, please do not create an FSA ID the signature page will need to be printed, signed, and mailed to FAFSA
- When creating your FSA ID, please submit your personal information *EXACTLY* as it shows on your Social Security card. This will avoid any delay to processing your application