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Need Cash for College and Missed the FAFSA Deadline for State Aid?

It's not too late—you can still apply for financial aid

So you missed Indiana's March 10 FAFSA deadline and think you are out of luck for getting your hands on some cash for college this fall, right? Think again! You can still apply for Federal Aid. Submit your FAFSA as soon as possible—and try for no later than June 30—for the best chance of knowing your financial aid before classes start.

Filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov is the easiest and fastest way of completing the form accurately. Individuals that do not have Internet access can call the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243) to request a paper application.

Need help filling out the FAFSA? This year, Learn More Indiana launched a new publication, *Indiana's Guide to Paying for College: Step-by-Step Tips to Help High School Seniors Apply for Financial Aid*. This free, Indiana-specific guide walks students through the financial aid process and is available by calling 1-800-992-2076 or visiting www.learnmoreindiana.org.

Some colleges may have their own FAFSA deadlines and other time-sensitive paperwork that needs to be completed, so check with the financial aid office. Also, look for scholarship opportunities and save whatever money you can. College is a great investment in your future.

Already filed the FAFSA? Be aware of the following: In April, the State Student Assistance Commission of Indiana (SSACI) notifies students who have problems with their FAFSAs. These "edit notifications" explain any problems and how to fix them. All problems must be resolved, and corrections must be received by the U.S. Department of Education on or before June 10, 2008 to stay in the applicant pool for state grants.

Some students also may need to correct the original data submitted on their FAFSA (such as submitting actual tax information if it was initially estimated). These corrections, for state aid, must be received by the U.S. Department of Education no later than June 10, 2008.

Learn More Indiana has additional information on paying and preparing for college at www.learnmoreindiana.org or by calling 1-800-992-2076.

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