

# How to Apply for Financial Aid

All students enrolling in an eligible degree, certificate or diploma program from Penn Highlands must complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)* to be eligible for Federal and State financial aid. The FAFSA is available online at [studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) and should be completed as soon as it is available on October 1st of each year. A new application is required each academic year and is based on the prior-prior year tax information. Students are encouraged to complete the FAFSA by the Penn Highlands priority deadline of April 1st of each year.

*ALL STUDENTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE THE FAFSA EACH YEAR.*