FAFSA WORKSHOPS
How to present a successful Financial Aid and FAFSA Workshop

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PowerPoint

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Set Dates
  • Prepare your dates according to semesters or deadline dates

Reserve Room
  • If you schedule multiple workshops for the year, reserve the room for all your dates

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  - Electronic Marquees
  - General Staff and Student E-mails
  - Signs, Sign Boards
  - Financial Aid Website
  - High School Contacts
  - Flyers

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Piecing the Puzzle Together
- Prepare PowerPoint
- Prepare Handouts
  - Folders
  - FAFSA Worksheets
  - Fund your Future Workbooks
  - PowerPoint Presentation
  - College Brochures
  - Checklist
  - Workshop Evaluation

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- Provide Pens
- Give Away Items
  - Bookstore Gift Certificate
  - Calculators
  - Mints
- Parking Permits
  - Provide temporary parking pass if attendees are not yet students

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What is Financial Aid?

- Definitions of Aid
  - Grants
  - Work Study
  - Loans
  - Scholarships

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What kind of Financial Aid is available?

- State Aid
  - Cal Grants
  - Fee Waivers
- Federal Aid
  - Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG)
  - Pell Grant
  - Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
  - Federal Work Study
  - Federal Student Loans
- Institutional Aid
  - Scholarships

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What are the qualifications?

- Eligibility Criteria
  - US Citizen or Eligible Non-citizen
  - Social Security Number
  - Selective Service Registration (males)
  - Enrolled in eligible program
  - Pursuing certificate or degree
  - Not in default of Student Loan or overpayment
  - Satisfactory Academic Progress
  - Not convicted of a Drug-related offense

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What are the qualifications?

- Determining Eligibility
  - Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
  - Cost of Attendance (COA)
  - Financial Need
- Data used on FAFSA
  - Income
  - Number in Household and College
  - Age of parents working
  - State of employment
  - Assets, investments
  - Others not limited to the above

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What is a FAFSA and PIN?
- FAFSA on the Web
  - www.fafsa.ed.gov
- Personal Identification Number
  - www.pin.ed.gov

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How to fill out a FAFSA
- FAFSA Application Sections
  - Student Demographics
  - School Selection
  - Dependency Status
  - Parent Demographics
  - Financial Information
  - Sign and Submit
  - Confirmation

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Cal Grant Information
- Application Period
- Overall Requirements
- General Eligibility Requirements
- Income and Asset Ceilings
- GPA Requirements

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BOGW Information
- BOGW Requirements
- BOGW Application
- BOGW Methods
  - Method A
  - Method B
  - Method C
  - Special Classifications

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How does Financial Aid work at your institution?
- FAFSA Acknowledgement
- Verification Documents
- Awarding
- Activate Student E-mail Account
- Communication sent through Student E-mail

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○ Contact Information
  • E-mail Address for Financial Aid
  • Phone Number
  • Financial Aid Website

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