

EducationQuest Foundation

College Planning Bulletin

A monthly college planning guide for Nebraska high school students

September 2018

Seniors...3 must-do tasks for this fall!

1. **Apply to your top college choices.** If your school participates in Nebraska's *Apply2College* campaign in October, you'll get help with your college applications during a school-day event. If not, [click here](#) to find a college application checklist and other helpful resources.
2. **Create an FSA ID.** You and a parent must each create a username and password at fsaid.ed.gov that will serve as your Federal Student Aid (FSA) IDs for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You will each need your own email address to create an FSA ID.
3. **Complete the FAFSA at fafsa.gov on or after October 1.** The FAFSA is your application for federal, state, and college-based financial aid. The colleges you list on the application will use that information to determine the types and amounts of financial aid they will award you.

Get FREE help from EducationQuest

- Attend an EducationQuest [Financial Aid Program](#) to learn about types of financial aid and the FAFSA. While you're there, register to win a \$500 scholarship!
 - Find free [FAFSA Tools](#) at EducationQuest.org to help you prepare for and complete the FAFSA.
 - Call EducationQuest to set up an appointment for free personal help: Omaha – 888.357.6300, Lincoln – 800.303.3745, Kearney – 800.666.3721, and Scottsbluff – 800.303.3745, ext. 6654.
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Meet with college reps at College Fairs, Educational Planning Programs

Juniors and seniors: Attend a College Fair or Educational Planning Program (EPP) this fall to meet with college representatives. Admission is free.

Before you attend, visit NebraskaCollegeFairs.org to register for a barcode. Print the barcode, or download it to your smartphone, and take it to the fair so that college reps can scan it.

2018 Fall College Fairs

[Lincoln Area College Fair](#), Sunday, September 16, 1:00-3:00 p.m. – Southeast Community College, 8800 O Street.

[Omaha Area College Fair](#), Sunday, September 23, 1:00-4:00 p.m. – University of Nebraska at Omaha Sapp Fieldhouse, 6001 Dodge St.

2018 Educational Planning Programs

EPPs will be held across the state this fall. See the [Events Calendar](#) at EducationQuest.org to find the event in your area.

September “To Do” List

Juniors and seniors ... complete these college planning tasks during September:

- ___ Seniors, apply to your top college choices.
 - ___ Seniors, create an FSA ID for you and one for a parent at fsaid.ed.gov.
 - ___ Juniors and seniors, attend a [Financial Aid Program](#).
 - ___ Juniors and seniors, attend a [College Fair](#) or [Educational Planning Program](#) (EPP) in your area.
 - ___ Before you attend a College Fair or EPP, get a barcode at NebraskaCollegeFairs.org.
 - ___ Seniors, [register](#) by September 7 for the October 6 SAT.
 - ___ Seniors, [register](#) by September 28 for October 27 ACT.
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