

FAFSA: The First Step to Unlock Financial Aid

Each year, the federal government provides more than \$150 billion in financial aid for college or career school! That money should not go unused; to apply for this aid, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Complete the FAFSA



Federal Financial Aid

Grants: Money that you do not need to pay back

Federal Pell Grant	Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant	Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grant	Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant
Avg. = \$5,920	Up to \$4,000	Up to \$4,000	Up to Max Pell \$

Loans: Money that you will pay back to the government

Direct Subsidized Loan	Direct Unsubsidized Loan	Direct PLUS Loan	Federal Perkins Loan
Up to \$5,500	Up to \$20,500	Avg. = \$15,880	Up to \$5,500

State Aid



College Grants and Scholarships



The amount you're earning on RaiseMe is the guaranteed minimum you'll earn in scholarships/grants from the college.

When you fill out a FAFSA form, you are applying not only for federal aid, but state and school financial aid as well. Schools and states often use FAFSA information to award non-federal aid, and their deadlines vary, so **applying as soon as the application is available** is a good idea. :)

FAFSA Micro-Scholarship on RaiseMe

Once you've completed the FAFSA your senior year, be sure to add this achievement to your RaiseMe portfolio. You can earn **up to \$4,000** from participating colleges for completing this crucial step in the financial aid process!

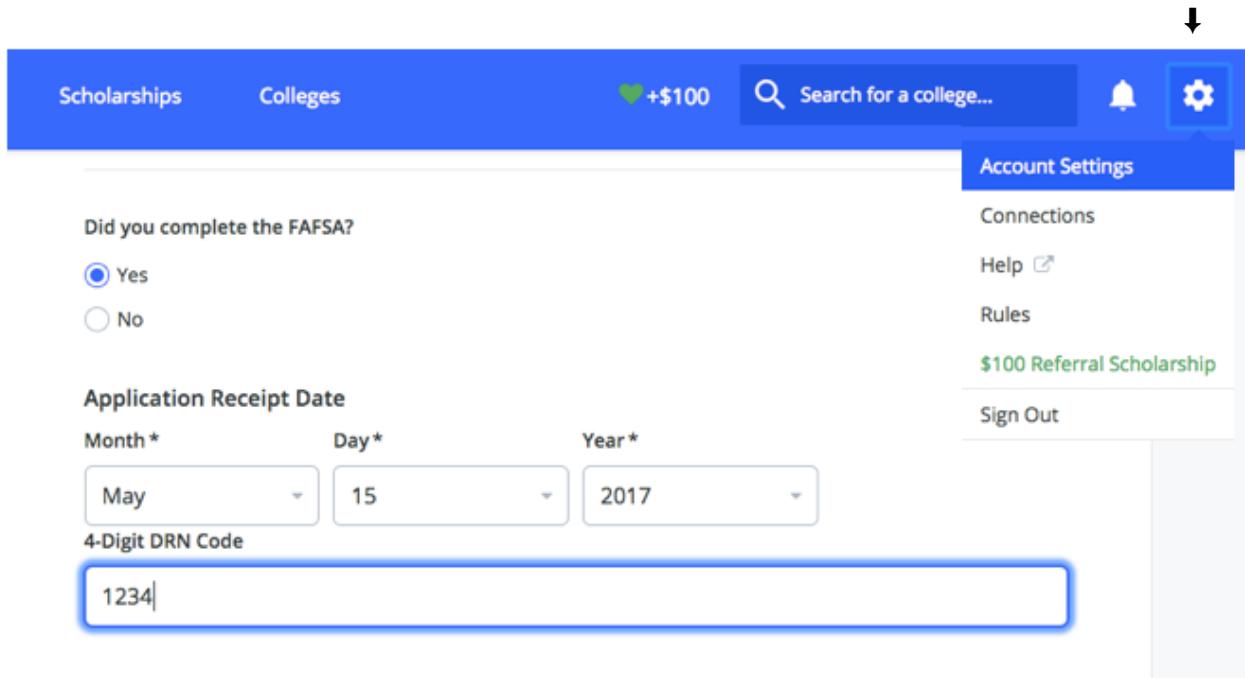
The easiest way to log your FAFSA completion is to click the gear wheel in the top right corner of the web page and select "Account Settings". Scroll all the way to the bottom to input your FAFSA submission date, as shown below.

Completing the FAFSA

Add

\$10-\$4,000 for completion

61 Colleges Offering



Did you complete the FAFSA?

Yes
 No

Application Receipt Date

Month * Day * Year *

May 15 2017

4-Digit DRN Code

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Note: This question about FAFSA completion will only appear in Account Settings if you are a senior.

Colleges that Award for FAFSA Completion

The following are colleges that will award you for completing the FAFSA. Be sure to login to your RaiseMe account to learn more about each college and the awarding amount!



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