

Financial Aid Checklist

Create your FSA ID to register for federal financial aid (required for student AND parent).
Create your FAFSA account to qualify for federal financial aid.
Complete FAFSA and go to Ocean Discovery for final approval.
Confirm your FAFSA includes all the schools you are applying to.
Create your CalGrant account to qualify for state financial aid.
Submit the FAFSA and CalGrant, by March 2.
Send Student Aid Report (SAR from FAFSA) to Isabel.
Send California Aid Report (CAR from CalGrant) to Isabel.
Create CSS Profile account to qualify for financial aid at a variety of private colleges.
Submit your CSS Profile application.
Create and submit San Diego Foundation Common Scholarship Application (make sure to select the Community Scholars Initiative).
Submit Stephen Effron scholarship application.
Submit 20+ additional scholarships.
Request to have a financial aid consultation.
Send financial aid offer(s) to Isabel prior to financial aid consultation.
Submit any required additional financial aid materials/paperwork to colleges.
Petition financial aid for a better financial aid offer.
Accept financial aid offer.