

# New Student Financial Aid Checklist



- Complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be considered for any form of financial aid. You can complete your FAFSA at [FAFSA.GOV](https://fafsa.gov).
- Submit your application to Villa Maria College, and any other school you may be considering. You can apply to Villa online for free at [VILLA.EDU/APPLY](https://villa.edu/apply).
- After you submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the Department of Education will send you a Student Aid Report (SAR). If they have a valid e-mail address on file for you, they will send you an e-mail, within 3 to 5 days, with instructions on how to access an online copy of your SAR.
- Determine the cost of attending your top choice schools. Don't forget to consider living expenses, the cost of text books, and any student activity, registration or other fees. You can find a comprehensive list of Villa's costs [here](#). These numbers can be overwhelming, but don't rule anything out based on cost alone. Remember, there are a ton of scholarship and financial aid options available to you!
- Contact financial aid offices to determine what options are available to you. If you're given any grant or scholarship options, act immediately! A list of some of the scholarships offered to Villa students can be found [here](#). Don't forget to accept or decline financial aid awards as you receive them!
- Apply for student loans. Complete your Entrance Counseling, and the Master Promissory Note (MPN). You can do both of these things at [STUDENTLOANS.GOV](https://studentloans.gov).
- Apply for work study jobs on your college campus. More information about work study at Villa can be found [here](#).
- Speak with your college about payment plans. You can learn more about Villa's payment plans here, or contact our Business Office at **716-961-1811**.
- Contact your college's financial aid office with any questions. You can learn more about financial aid at Villa online at [VILLA.EDU/ADMISSIONS/FINANCIAL-AID](https://villa.edu/admissions/financial-aid) or by calling the College's Office of Financial Aid at **716-961-1850**.