

Learn how to get money for college

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The first step to getting money for community college, university or private college is to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA.)

Students and parents can find this form daunting, but free help is available. Parents and students can attend College Goal Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday at West Valley locations. College Goal Sunday is coordinated by the Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education and pairs financial aid professional volunteers with students and families to complete the FAFSA. Bring your parents' and your 2008 tax returns or W-2s and other tax information.

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West Valley locations: Saturday only: Estrella Mountain Community College, Estrella Hall, 3000 N. Dysart Road, Avondale; and Maricopa Workforce Connection, West Valley Career Center, 1840 N. 95th Ave., Ste. 160, Phoenix. Sunday only: Glendale Community
College, Student Union, 6000 W. Olive Ave.,
Glendale; and DeVry University, 2149 W.
Dunlap Ave., Phoenix. COMMUNITY
COLLEGE STUDENTS Studies show that an alarming number of community college students fail to apply for financial assistance for their education, especially those with low to moderate incomes.

"I encourage community college students to complete the FAFSA so they can determine what financial aid is available to them. Too often relying solely on part-time employment delays a student's goal of achieving a degree and their education is interrupted by life circumstances," said April Osborn, executive director for the Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education. **ABOUT COLLEGE GOAL SUNDAY Students** who attend College Goal Sunday can enter for a chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship, laptop computer or special edition Arizona Cardinals Super Bowl XLIII Appearance Football containing Kurt Warner's picture and team information. ONLINE HELP Resources and information regarding the FAFSA and financial aid is also provided online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. This includes line by line FAFSA completion assistance.

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