



Financial Aid FAQ's

Should I apply for Financial Aid before applying to T.E.A.C.H.?

Yes, you must apply for financial aid before applying to T.E.A.C.H. It can be applied for at **www.fafsa.ed.gov** You never have to pay for a FAFSA to be processed! We need a copy of the FAFSA on the web submission confirmation page (which must include your name) to prove that you have applied.

Do I have to be awarded a PELL grant to be eligible for T.E.A.C.H.?

No. You do not have to awarded PELL, you only need to apply to be eligible. However, you are required to accept PELL grant awards when they are awarded to you. PELL grants are not loans, and never need to be paid back. PELL grant awards reduce the amount of tuition that you, your sponsor, and T.E.A.C.H. must pay. Also, when you are denied a PELL grant, we require you to appeal the decision if it was based on exceeding a credit hour limit at your college. Contact your Counselor and they will explain the situations where an appeal is required.

If you are awarded student loans, we discourage you from taking them. Keep in mind that we cannot help pay back your student loans when they come due. Before the end of your first term on contract with T.E.A.C.H., you need to send us a copy of the award from your college

Receiving PELL funding benefits you, your Sponsor and T.E.A.C.H. by reducing the amount of Tuition we all must pay.

What Fiscal Year do I need to apply for Financial Aid for?

There are typically more than one year on the FAFSA site you could choose to apply for. If you want to start school in the Summer or Fall term (see list below) you want to apply for the latest year available.

<u>Schools we work with</u>	<u>First term of Financial Aid fiscal year.</u>
Central Ohio Technical College	Summer
Cincinnati State Community and Technical College	Summer
Cleveland State University	Summer
Columbus State Community College	Summer
Cuyahoga Community College	Summer
Eastern Gateway Community College	Summer
Edison State Community College	Summer
Kent State University: Salem	Summer
Kent State University: Tuscarawas	Summer
Kent State University: Ashtabula	Summer
Lakeland Community College	Summer
Lorain County Community College	Summer
North Central State College	Summer
Northwest State Community College	Summer
Ohio University: Athens	Summer
Ohio University: Lancaster	Summer
Ohio University: Southern	Summer
Owens Community College	Fall
Rhodes State College	Summer
Rio Grande Community College	Fall
Sinclair Community College	Summer
Stark State College	Summer
Terra Community College	Fall
University of Cincinnati	Fall
Washington State Community College	Fall
Youngstown State University	Summer
Zane State College	Summer

If I have been denied Financial Aid in the past, do I still have to apply now?

Yes, your financial situation may have changed, and you may now be eligible. We will accept documentation of a disqualifying factor such as a drug conviction.