



# Counselor Connection

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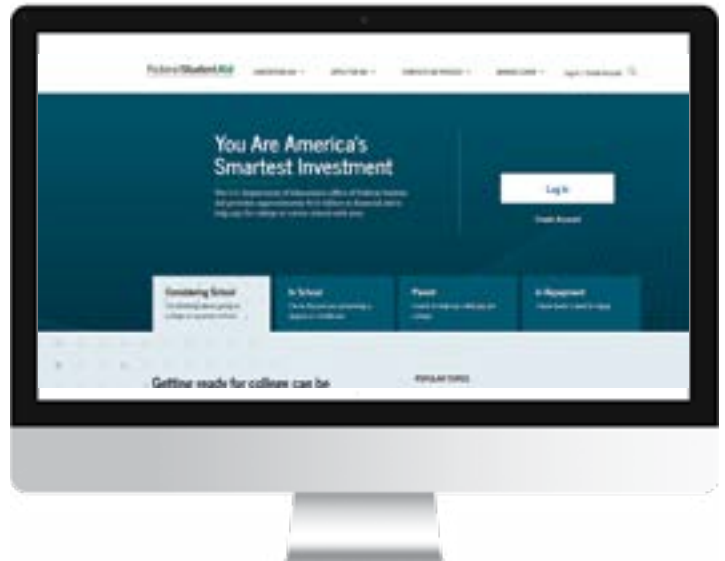
## Students can file FAFSA beginning October 1

High school seniors and returning college and technical school students who need student aid for fall 2023 can file the 2023–24 Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, beginning Oct. 1.

“In the first five months of 2022, the Beshear-Coleman administration helped bring more than \$3.9 billion in new investment and more than 6,700 jobs for Kentuckians,” said Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman. “To take full advantage of those opportunities and to fill those, we need more students to get the post-high school education they need, whether that means technical training or traditional college degrees.”

Even students who don’t think they will qualify for financial aid should submit the FAFSA. Rules governing student aid programs sometimes change, and students who don’t file the FAFSA may miss out on free money that could help pay for their education.

The parents or guardians of students considered dependents under federal guidelines must also provide financial information on the FAFSA. This affects most students going directly to college from high school, who are typically considered dependent students.



The FAFSA asks for information about income, assets and expenses. The data provided on the FAFSA determines whether students qualify for federal grants, work-study and loans, as well as several state grants and scholarships. Many colleges also use the FAFSA to award their own grants and scholarships.

Some student aid programs have limited funds and provide awards on a first-come, first-served basis, so students and families should submit the FAFSA as soon as possible.



KHEAA publishes the Counselor Connection to share information about student financial aid, college preparation and college planning. Comments and suggestions are always welcome. Please send them to [publications@kheaa.com](mailto:publications@kheaa.com).



## KHEAA Outreach schedules Facebook, Twitter sessions

KHEAA Outreach will provide live help this fall semester via Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

The schedule is:

**Oct. 3:** No Tricks ... Just Treats: Completing the FAFSA, **Facebook**

**Oct. 10:** [FAFSA Completion Walk Through](#), **Webinar**

**Oct. 17:** No Tricks ... Just Treats: FAFSA Tips, **Twitter**

**Nov. 7:** Gifts That Keep on Giving: Financial Aid Opportunities, **Facebook**

**Nov. 14:** Gifts That Keep on Giving: KY Saves 529, **Twitter**

**Dec. 5:** Santa's Nice List: Advantage Loans, **Facebook**

**Dec. 12:** Santa's Nice List: Loan Borrowing Tips, **Twitter**

All sessions begin at 7 p.m. Eastern, 6 p.m. Central.

The links are:

[www.facebook.com/KHEAA/](https://www.facebook.com/KHEAA/)

[www.twitter.com/KHEAA/](https://www.twitter.com/KHEAA/)

## Applications now open for U.S. Senate Youth Program

Two Kentucky high school students will be selected this fall as delegates to the United States Senate Youth Program, which takes high school students from around the country to Washington, D.C., for a weeklong study of the federal government.



Students will attend Washington Week, scheduled for March 4–11, 2023, and attend meetings and briefings with President Biden, senators, a Supreme Court justice, leaders of cabinet agencies and members of the media.

Program organizers will decide this fall whether the program will be online or in person.

High school teachers and principals can nominate high school juniors and seniors to apply. [Applications](#) can be found online and are due Oct. 31. Students must also submit a transcript, a letter of recommendation and a résumé.

Applicants should be interested in pursuing careers in public service and have shown leadership, scholarship and volunteer service.

Semifinalists will interview in Frankfort on Saturday, Nov. 19.

Selected students also will each receive a \$10,000 college scholarship and will be encouraged to continue coursework in history, government and public affairs. For more information, email [GlyptusAnn Grider Jones](mailto:GlyptusAnn.Grider@kentucky.gov) or call her at (502) 564-2000, ext. 4616.

# Sept. proclaimed College Savings Month

Gov. Andy Beshear has declared September “College Savings Month” as he was joined by students, parents, legislators, education advocates and leaders of the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority. College Savings Month is a nationwide effort by the College Savings Plan Network encouraging families to save for educational expenses.



**Frankfort fourth-grader Brayleigh Nolan sits at Gov. Andy Beshear's desk for the signing that proclaimed September as College Savings Month. Standing, from left, are Eric Kennedy, Brayleigh's father; Erin Klarer, KHEAA's vice president of government relations and communications; Diana Barber, KHEAA's interim executive director; Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman; Gov. Andy Beshear; and Ronnie Nolan, Brayleigh's father.**

“As governor, I will always put education first, and that includes helping families learn about opportunities to save more for college,” Gov. Beshear said. “KY Saves 529 accounts make sure parents can put more of their hard-earned paychecks toward higher education for their kids, providing special tax benefits for those expenses.”

Kentucky offers its citizens a 529 college savings program, KY Saves 529, formally known as the Kentucky Educational Savings Plan Trust. The 529 designation refers to Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code, which exempts earnings from federal taxes. Earnings are also exempt from Kentucky income taxes.

“When it comes to our children, the days may be long, but the years are short,” KHEAA Interim Executive

Director Diana Barber said. “We encourage all Kentuckians to take advantage of the state-sponsored 529 plan now to make their dreams a reality.”

“I’m glad my parents are helping me save for college,” said Brayleigh Nolan, a fourth-grader from Frankfort whose parents are KY Saves 529 account owners, “so no matter what I decide to do when I grow up, I know I’ll be able to do it.”

KY Saves 529 is administered by KHEAA.

For more information about KY Saves 529, call 877-598-7878, or visit [kysaves.com](https://kysaves.com).





## Scholarship Spotlight

### Kentucky National Guard Tuition Award Program

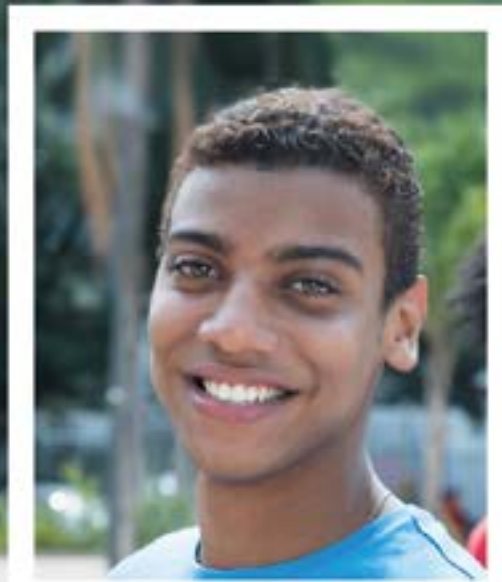
**Eligibility:** Must be an active member of the Kentucky National Guard, maintain all minimum standards, be eligible for all positive personnel actions and complete basic training or equivalent.

**Award:** Up to or equal to the in-state, in-class tuition at any Kentucky public university, college or technical school. Approved private schools are limited to 12 hours per term and an annual cap. Based on availability of funds. May be used through first bachelor's degree or lifetime cap, whichever comes first.

**Number:** Varies

**Deadline:** October 1 spring and winter term; April 1 fall and summer terms

**Contact:** <https://ky.ngb.army.mil/tuitionstudent/firmLogin.aspx> or Bryan Combs, 502.607.1916, [bryan.c.combs.civ@army.mil](mailto:bryan.c.combs.civ@army.mil)



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## ACT National Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
<b>Dec. 10, 2022</b>	<b>Nov. 4, 2022</b>	<b>Nov. 11, 2022</b>
<b>Feb. 11, 2023</b>	<b>Jan. 6, 2023</b>	<b>Jan. 20, 2023</b>
<b>April 15, 2023</b>	<b>March 10, 2023</b>	<b>March 24, 2023</b>
<b>June 10, 2023</b>	<b>May 5, 2023</b>	<b>May 19, 2023</b>
<b>July 15, 2023</b>	<b>June 16, 2023</b>	<b>June 23, 2023</b>

## SAT National Test Dates

<b>Nov. 5, 2022</b>	<b>Oct. 7, 2022</b>	<b>Oct. 10, 2022</b>
<b>Dec. 3, 2022</b>	<b>Nov. 3, 2022</b>	<b>Nov. 22, 2022</b>
<b>March 11, 2023</b>	<b>Feb. 10, 2023</b>	<b>Feb. 28, 2023</b>
<b>May 6, 2023</b>	<b>April 7, 2023</b>	<b>April 25, 2023</b>
<b>June 3, 2023</b>	<b>May 4, 2023</b>	<b>May 23, 2023</b>



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