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Financial Aid Tip for Students, March 2022

Students and parents should take FAFSA verification seriously

FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 4, 2022) — The federal government requires many students who submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to verify the information they reported. The U.S. Department of Education chooses the students whose FAFSA information is verified. Their parents may also be required to provide information.

“Verification ensures that the students who really need financial aid to pay for college or technical training receive it,” Gov. Andy Beshear said. “Students chosen for verification must complete the process before they can receive financial aid, so families should prepare to provide the requested information as quickly as possible.”

As soon as students are notified their FAFSA is being verified, they should begin the process. Putting it off will only lead to frustration if the process isn’t finished when classes are ready to start, according to the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA).

Many colleges do the verification themselves. Others have an agency handle the process. KHEAA provides verification services to over 30 schools, about half of them in Kentucky.

KHEAA is the state agency that administers Kentucky’s student financial aid programs, including the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). Its sister agency, the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation (KHESLC), offers low-cost Advantage Loans to help students and parents pay for college or refinance student loans. For more information about Advantage Loans, visit AdvantageEducationLoan.com.

Many of KHEAA’s student aid programs are funded by Kentucky Lottery revenue.

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