The following is some information about financial aid and the Free Application for Federal Aid (FAFSA):

1. If you are planning to attend a 2-year, 4-year, or technical college, and would like to receive need-based loans, grants, or work study money, you must complete the FAFSA.

2. You should have applied for admission to school before you send in your financial aid form. Schools require you to be accepted before they offer you aid.

3. The earlier you apply, the greater your chances of being considered for all financial aid options.

Gather the following items before sitting down to complete the FAFSA:

   a. A PARENT – this is a joint effort, and you will be required to enter parent information
   b. YOUR COMPUTER
   c. Tax Return and W2’s for 2019 for your FAMILY and YOU if you worked
   d. Social Security Numbers for your PARENT and YOU
   e. A working email for your PARENT and YOU (not school email)
   f. Your Permanent Residency Card (green card) if YOU are not a citizen

4. It is strongly advised to complete your FAFSA online:

   A. Apply for a FSA ID @ https://fsaid.ed.gov One for you, one for a parent. See worksheet.
   B. Go to www.fafsa.gov to complete the FAFSA.
   C. You will receive the SAR (Student Aid Report) within three days.
   D. Check with your college’s financial aid office to see if they have additional financial aid forms for you to complete.
   E. Between November and January, you will receive an award letter from the school you have applied to that specifies the type of aid you are eligible for. Final letters will be available in late spring.

** The Financial Aid Office of the college you want to attend can also answer Your Financial Aid and FAFSA questions! **