

# *Horseheads High School Counseling Office*

## **Fall Financial Aid Presentation**

We are thankful for our partnership with Corning Community College's Financial Aid Office. They have graciously come to Horseheads each fall to discuss current financial aid practices. [Click here](#) to see the presentation.

## **Helpful Financial Aid Websites**

[www.hesc.ny.gov/](http://www.hesc.ny.gov/) – New York's guide to financial aid and scholarships

[www.fasfa.ed.gov/](http://www.fasfa.ed.gov/) – Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA)

<https://blog.ed.gov/2018/09/7-things-you-need-2019-20-fafsa/> – Seven things to know before filling out the 2019-20 FASFA

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/estimate> – FASFA aid estimator

<https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/> – CSS/ Financial Aid Profile

[www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov) – US Department of Education

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org) – the smart student guide to financial aid

[www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov) – Federal Student Aid

[www.findtuition.com](http://www.findtuition.com) – five steps to find tuition

[www.nysaves.org](http://www.nysaves.org) – New York's 529 College Savings Program

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) – financial aid / scholarship search

## **Senior Year Timeline for Financial Aid and Scholarships**

### ***Fall***

- Apply for PIN # for FAFSA at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out/fsaid>
- **October 1st – Fill out FAFSA** form with 2017 tax information
- Attend **Financial Aid Night** at school
- Register for the CSS Profile if your prospective colleges require this form
- Begin searching out scholarships at school and online
- Parents should explore scholarships at their place of employment and affiliations such as unions, banks/credit unions, professional/club/membership affiliations, places of worship, Greek life affiliations, etc
- Review Scholarships and Financial Aid information online for schools where you are applying
- Receive Student Aid Report (SAR) from FAFSA and review for accuracy. Update if needed. Follow directions on form

### ***Winter and Spring***

- Begin comparing financial aid award letters from colleges
- Investigate payment options with each college
- Accept all or part of the financial aid offered; sign and return acceptance letter
- Notify the college you plan to attend
- Send your deposit into college
- Make loan arrangements