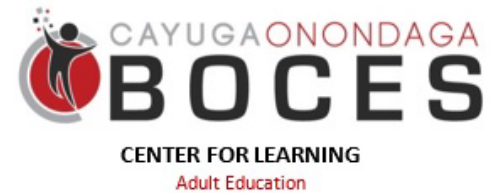


Financial Aid Information



Completing and submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form gives you access to federal student aid—the largest source of aid—to help you pay for the Practical Nursing Program. You need to complete the 2025-2026 FAFSA® form to apply for Federal Pell grants, Subsidized/Unsubsidized Direct loans, Parent Plus Loans, and Agency funding. Please go to the following website to complete your free application: www.studentaid.gov

Through the FUTURE Act, passed by Congress in December 2019, and the FAFSA Simplification Act, passed by Congress in December 2021, a new FAFSA form went into effect in the 2024-2025 academic year and has now been updated for the 2025-2026 year. Not only was the FAFSA updated but so was the eligibility for the Federal Pell Grant and access to Federal Financial Aid in general.

Gathering the Documents Needed to Apply:

You might need the following information or documents as you fill out the 2025–26 FAFSA form:

- Your parents' Name, DOB, SSNs, & email address if you're a [dependent student](#)
- Your spouse's Name, DOB, SSN, & email address If you're a married dependent student
- Tax returns from 2023
- Records of child support received
- Current balances of cash, savings, and checking accounts
- Net worth of investments, businesses, and farm

Keep these records! You may need them again. **Do not mail these supporting records to us at this point, you will need to bring them to your Financial Aid Appointment later.**

One thing you don't need for the FAFSA® form is money! The FAFSA form is FREE, so if a website asks you to pay to fill it out, you're not dealing with the official FAFSA site. Remember, this is a government application, so it's on a .gov website.

Getting Help:

If you need help filling out the FAFSA form, use these free tools:

- In the online FAFSA form, select the question mark icon next to a FAFSA question to view a "tool tip" that provides information about how to answer that question.
- Visit the ["FAFSA® Help"](#) for the 2025–26 FAFSA form
- In the online form, chat with Aidan®, our virtual assistant.
- Chat with, email, or find a phone number for the [Federal Student Aid Information Center](#).
- Contact the financial aid office at The Center for Learning, (315) 253-4899.

Important:

- ***Unless indicated, all questions are required and cannot be skipped.***
- ***Be sure to enter everything carefully.***
- ***For Practical Nursing Program at Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES***
 - ***All students are First Year (Freshman Students)***
 - ***Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES School Code: 014996***
- ***If a required contributor fails to provide their information, it will result in an incomplete FAFSA form and the student will become ineligible for federal student aid.***