

SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

College Board

www.collegeboard.com

College Board offers information on understanding college costs, scholarships, financial aid applications, education loans, and college financing. It is also home to the CSS/Financial Aid application service used to determine eligibility for non-federal student aid funds.

College Foundation of North Carolina

www.cfnc.org

This site provides financial assistance information and various other college and career searches particularly geared toward North Carolina colleges and universities.

The FAFSA Online

www.fafsa.ed.gov

This is the federal financial aid website which, among other things, allows you to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. (See also p.83 in [College Match](#).)

FAFSA Forecaster

www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov

FAFSA Forecaster provides an estimate of your eligibility for federal student aid.

Federal Student Aid

www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov

This website offers a guide to federal student aid.

The Financial Aid Information Page

www.finaid.org

This NASFAA-sponsored financial aid information site is the “bible” for all financial aid information. It’s hard to imagine anything related to financial aid that’s not included here, with links ranging from institutions to government to scholarship and scam alerts. The **EFC estimator** (estimates the family contribution using either federal methodology or typical institutional methodology) and the access to **Fast Web** (see below) are highlights of this site.

Financial Aid Search Through the Web (FASTWeb)

www.studentservices.com/fastweb

www.fastweb.com

To use this site, a student completes a detailed profile. FastWeb responds with a list of matching award programs, saves a student’s profile, and emails new sources of merit aid to the student’s online “mailbox.” Students can generate a form letter for requesting applications and further information about an award program and then print the letter directly from their web browsers.

Free-4U.com

www.free-4U.com

A national data base of scholarships listed by major and special interests.

Get College Funding

www.getcollegefunding.org

This resource provides facts regarding the college funding process through free seminars in a variety of venues, assesses your family's financial aid eligibility and makes appropriate recommendations through a free personal assessment consultation, counsels your family in order to optimize the children's financial aid eligibility, and offloads the task of completing your FAFSA and CSS profile forms.

Making It Count

www.elearning.makingitcount.com

This site provides a comprehensive, interactive overview of the entire college financing process and access to important college financing tools.

MeritAid.com

www.meritaid.com

A comprehensive directory of merit and academic scholarships from colleges across the country.

My College Advisor

www.mycollegeadvisor.com

My College Advisor provides approximate costs of attending college.

NC Community Foundation

<http://nccommunityfoundation.org/Scholarships>

This resource provides a listing of local scholarships and grants available to students.

Raise.Me

www.raise.me

Most scholarships and grants today are awarded at the very end of high school. Raise.me empowers students to earn "Micro-Scholarships" all throughout high school for their individual achievements, creating a more transparent and motivational process while enabling the students to see the guaranteed minimum amount of aid they'll receive from an institution long before they apply. So far, over 60 institutions across the country have partnered with Raise.me to provide millions of dollars in grant aid to help students achieve their college ambitions with greater ease and clarity.

SallieMae

www.salliemae.com

The nation's largest provider of federal and private student loans offers information about saving, planning, and paying for college.

Scholarships

www.scholarships.com/success

This site helps students rank scholarships, grants, and financial aid information in order of unique fit and highest likelihood of success.

Student Scholarship Search

www.studentscholarshipsearch.com

With a free directory of scholarships, grants, and awards, this site offers tips, advice, tricks, and tools for line searches for scholarships and financial aid.

Supercollege

www.supercollege.com

Scholarships, grants, and contests.

UPromise

www.upromise.com

Sponsored by SallieMae, this free college savings program offers monetary rewards for everyday purchases from member merchants.

529 College Savings Plans

These sites offer details about various 529 tax-free savings plans for education financing.

www.collegesavings.org

www.savingforcollege.com

www.529.com

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

www.fastweb.com

www.finaid.org

www.guaranteed-scholarships.com

www.meritaid.com

www.moolahspot.com

www.mystudentedge.com

www.naviance.com

www.raise.me

www.scholarships.com

www.scholarshipsforstudents.com

www.scholarshipexperts.com

www.studentscholarshipsearch.com

www.supercollege.com