



EMAIL TO PARENTS

YOUR HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR COULD GET A COLLEGE OR CAREER SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP! UNLOCK COLLEGE FUNDING FOR YOUR HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

With your child starting senior year, you might be helping them plan for life after high school. Will they go to college or career school? What will they study? And how will you afford it all? That's why I'm excited to tell you about the Michigan Achievement Scholarships!

YOUR SENIOR COULD QUALIFY FOR:

- A TUITION-FREE associate degree or skill certificate at a local community college with the <u>Community College Guarantee</u>. The scholarship also covers tuition for students attending community college before transferring to a four-year university. Plus, students receiving the Federal Pell Grant qualify for an extra \$1,000 to help pay for living expenses. All Michigan high school grads are eligible and there are no GPA or household income requirements.
- **Up to \$27,500 for a private or public university** through the <u>Michigan Achievement</u> <u>Scholarship</u>. 7 out of 10 students may qualify just by filling out the FAFSA, no matter their academic or athletic abilities.
- **Up to \$4,000 for a career training program** with the <u>Michigan Achievement Skills Scholarship</u>. Students simply choose an <u>eligible career training provider</u> and complete their application through the <u>MiSSG student portal</u>.

Filling out the <u>FAFSA</u> is the key to unlocking funding. The newly simplified FAFSA has only 36 questions. That's fewer than the form at your doctor's office! It costs nothing to complete, and your child could be eligible for more than you think.

FILLING OUT THE FAFSA IS AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3.

1. Create your <u>FSA ID</u>. You'll need:

- » Your Social Security number
- » Your email address
- 2. Help your child create their FSA ID.

It takes three to five days for FSA IDs to become active, and you both must have active FSA IDs to complete the FAFSA.

3. Fill out the FAFSA together.

Take the first step in helping your child take control of their future, whatever their path! If you need any help completing the FAFSA or planning for college, I'm here! Feel free to set up an appointment. You can also visit <u>michigan.gov/achievement</u> for program information, frequently asked questions and more.