

# EducationQuest Foundation

# College Planning Bulletin

*A monthly college planning guide for Nebraska high school students*

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## Seniors...3 must-do tasks for this fall!

1. **Apply to your top college choices.** If your school participates in Nebraska's *Apply2College* campaign in October, you'll get help with your college applications during a school-day event. If not, [click here](#) to find a college application checklist and other helpful resources.
2. **Create an FSA ID.** You and a parent must each create a username and password at [fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov) that will serve as your Federal Student Aid (FSA) IDs for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You will each need your own email address to create an FSA ID.
3. **Complete the FAFSA at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) on or after October 1.** The FAFSA is your application for federal, state, and college-based financial aid.

## Get FREE help from EducationQuest

- Attend an EducationQuest [Financial Aid Program](#) to learn about types of financial aid and the FAFSA. While you're there, register to win a \$500 scholarship!
  - Find free [FAFSA Tools](#) at EducationQuest.org to help you prepare for and complete the FAFSA.
  - Call EducationQuest to set up an appointment for free FAFSA help: Omaha – 888.357.6300, Lincoln – 800.303.3745, Kearney – 800.666.3721, and Scottsbluff – 800.303.3745, ext. 6654.
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## Meet with college reps at College Fairs, Educational Planning Programs

Juniors and seniors: Attend a College Fair or Educational Planning Program this fall to meet with college representatives. Admission is free.

Before you attend, visit [NebraskaCollegeFairs.org](https://NebraskaCollegeFairs.org) to register for a barcode. Print the barcode, or download it to your smartphone, and take it to the fair so that college reps can scan it.

### **2019 Fall College Fairs**

[Lincoln Area College Fair](#), Sunday, September 22, 1:00-3:00 p.m. – Southeast Community College, 8800 O Street.

[Omaha Area College Fair](#), Sunday, September 29, 1:00-4:00 p.m. – University of Nebraska at Omaha Sapp Fieldhouse, 6001 Dodge St.

### **2019 Educational Planning Programs**

EPPs will be held across the state this fall. See the [Events Calendar](#) at EducationQuest.org to find the event in your area.

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## September “To Do” List

Juniors and seniors ... complete these college planning tasks during September:

- \_\_\_ Seniors, apply to your top college choices.
  - \_\_\_ Seniors, create an FSA ID for you and one for a parent at [fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov).
  - \_\_\_ Juniors and seniors, attend a [Financial Aid Program](#).
  - \_\_\_ Juniors and seniors, attend a [College Fair](#) or [Educational Planning Program](#) (EPP) in your area.
  - \_\_\_ Before you attend a College Fair or EPP, get a barcode at [NebraskaCollegeFairs.org](https://NebraskaCollegeFairs.org).
  - \_\_\_ Seniors, [register](#) by September 6 for the October 5 SAT.
  - \_\_\_ Seniors, [register](#) by September 20 for October 26 ACT.
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