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Financial Aid Application Requirement

Graduation Requirement (19 TAC §74.1023)

Each student enrolled in 12th grade must do one of the following in order to graduate:

> complete and submit a free application for federal student aid (FAFSA)

complete and submit a Texas application for state financial aid (TASFA) submit a signed opt-out form

Challenges with the FAFSA application should not impact a

Texas is ranked #12 in senior FAFSA completions and #45 in year-overear





In the coming weeks, additional specific resources and guidance will be communicated from TEA directly to high school counselors and campus administrators to help support eligible students who wish to complete and submit a FAFSA, given the impact of successful FAFSA completion on college enrollment.

A webinar targeting district administrators will be hosted April 30. Details will be provided through the TEA website and the counselor list serv.

USDE provides additional resources and assistance through the federal student aid help center at <u>https://studentaid.gov/help-center/contact</u>