Coming Together to Support Financial Aid Completion

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Sarah Weiss, Washington Student Achievement Council
Nearly Half of WA Seniors Didn’t Complete a FAFSA

WA Public HS Seniors FAFSA Completion 2018-19

- No FAFSA 43.5%
- Processed Successfully 54.6%
- Submitted with Errors 1.9%
## Equity across all of our work

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Launch statewide initiative to increase financial aid applications for class of 2020.
YOU CAN'T GET FINANCIAL AID IF YOU DON'T APPLY

Find cash for college
Get free on-site help filing a FAFSA, WASFA or submitting a college application

COLLEGE GOAL WASHINGTON
Oct. 3, 8, 16, 21 and 30
5 – 7 p.m. • WSU Vancouver campus

The FAFSA/WASFA is your ticket to financing your degree.
Sessions are open to all current and prospective students and families, no matter where a student plans to go to school.

LEARN MORE AT VANCOUVER.WSU.EDU/CGW
#CollegeGoalWA

FAFSA/WASFA Completion Strategies/Partnerships

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY VANCOUVER

ALL THINGS FINANCIAL AID FOR SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11
7:30 – 11 A.M.
WSU VANCOUVER CAMPUS
FISHERBURG STUDENT COMMONS
THREE CLOCK HOURS
- ESD 112 APPROVED

JOIN US FOR THIS CLOCK HOUR APPROVED WORKSHOP:
- Washington College Grant updates
- FAFSA portal demonstration
- Strategies to increase FAFSA/WASFA filing rates
- 2020/21 FAFSA/WASFA filing goals

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY:
vancouver.wsu.edu/all-things-financial-aid

Questions? Contact Colton Lindelof at colton.lindelof@wsu.edu.
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Answer the “why?”

- Data Matters – Motivates!
- WSAC IMPORTANT partner!
Washington State Public School Expected Graduates FAFSA Completion 2018-2019

Coming soon: Additional aggregated data views for all seniors and College Bound students!

FAFSA Completion Initiative - District Progress

Yakima School District

- Davis High School
- Eisenhower High School
- Ridgeview Group Home
- Stanton Academy
- Yakima Adult Jail
- Yakima Online
- Yakima Open Doors
- Yakima Satellite Alternative Programs
- Yakima Valley Technical Skills Center
- District Average
- State Average
### 19/20 WCG MFI Chart with Expanded MFI Ranges

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### Washington College Grant 19/20 Awards by Institutions

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Lessons Learned

• Trainings for non-financial aid helpers
  • Basic financial aid training — enough to get started but not so many details to overwhelm
    • Ex. Train on resources — paper FAFSA — resource only!, websites — FAFSA/WASFA, FSA ID process
  • “Financial Aid” includes FAFSA and WASFA outreach
    • Undocumented student training

• Partnerships change/evolve over time
  • Campus
  • Community
  • State

• Continue flexibility

• Relationship building/maintenance
  • Staff turnover

• Data matters — answers the “why?” — motivates!
How?

- Create sustainable programs
- Simplify
- Share resources/info — example, shared google docs/Fin Aid FAQ page
- Campus Admin buy in
- Share goals/outcomes with partners informed by data

- Limited resources/small teams
- Small campus
YES!

MY FAFSA IS DONE AND MY COFFEE IS STILL HOT!

FAFSA IN OCTOBER?

#PUGYEAH
12th Year Campaign: Materials and Trainings

- Free printed materials including workbooks, posters, stickers, and postcards
- Professional development webinars
- Assistance with connecting to potential volunteers
- Financial aid planning and implementation assistance
- FAFSA error repair
- Regional in-person training
Let’s discuss!

Sharing is caring
Get in touch!

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