

NEWS TO KNOW



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Information for ITT Students

Your college or university may be receiving inquiries from ITT students about continuing their education. The US Department of Education has created a website to assist students in continuing their education, apply for closed school loan discharges, retrieve student records and more. For additional information, please visit their [website](#).

2017-18 FAFSA Changes

The Outreach Team has noted that many of Florida's students and families are not aware of the 2017/18 FAFSA changes. Are you experiencing the same? If so, the US Department of Education has created a "College Students and Families: What You Need to Know About the 2017-18 FAFSA® for you to share. This is a great [resource](#) and we encourage you to help us spread the word!

Mapping Your Future (MYF)

Through OSFA's sponsorship, Florida colleges and universities can utilize many of MYF's products and services at NO cost.

- Online counseling
 - Including customized options
 - Including entrance and exit options
- Exit Express
- School Express
- Default prevention tools
- Educational games
- Loan forgiveness charts
- Printable exit counseling materials
- Servicer information sheet
- Student loan interest rate chart
- Verification worksheets
- Access to member-only services at a lower cost:
 - MappingXpress (document collection service)
 - EX\$EL (a financial literacy and default prevention program)

To learn more about Mapping Your Future's membership benefits, please visit their website [here](#).



NyFF audio presentations are available online at:

www.NavigatingYourFuture.org

Topics include:

- Career Planning
- Financial Aid Overview
- Financial Literacy
- Managing Your Budget
- Managing Your Credit
- Mapping Your Future: FAFSA
- Money Management ID Theft
- Repayment of Your Student Loan Debt:
 - * Chapter 1
 - * Chapter 2
 - * Chapter 3
- Searching for Scholarships
- Show Me the Money! Financial Planning for College
- Stay, Stop, or Drop?

NyFF
NAVIGATING YOUR
FINANCIAL FUTURE

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS



2016-17 FASFAA Training

- ⇒ Region III Workshop October 14 (Kissimmee)
- ⇒ Region IV Workshop October 21 (Tampa)
- ⇒ Clock Hour Workshop October 25-27 (Sarasota)

For more information, visit www.fasfaa.org.

2016-17 SASFAA Training

- ⇒ Leadership Symposium October 26-28 (Orlando)

For more information, visit www.sasfaa.org.

NASFAA Compliance Engine

NASFAA Members can now access the beta version of the NEW [Compliance Engine](#). This unique tool can assist you in efficiently managing compliance tasks across campus. It also includes an online template to assist you in creating a policies & procedure manual. If you are not a current NASFAA member, you can learn more about becoming a NASFAA member [here](#).

OSFA Training

Do you have new staff members working with OSFA's state grants and scholarship programs? If so, contact our Training Unit at osfatraining@fldoe.org to schedule training. Training sessions can be conducted online or onsite and can be customized to your needs.



OSFA INFO

October 1

The *Florida Financial Aid Application* is available to students for next academic year funding.

November/December

Term 1 refunds/reconciliations due to OSFA within 60 days after the last day of drop/add.

Online Resources

State Scholarship & Grant Programs [Policy Manual](#)

Bright Futures Student Handbook

- ⇒ [Chapter 1](#)—Initial Eligibility Requirements
- ⇒ [Chapter 2](#)—Information to Know Now That You Are Eligible
- ⇒ [Chapter 3](#)—Renewing Your Award
- ⇒ Renewal Requirement Interactive [Tool](#)



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THE OSFA PHILOSOPHY



The Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) has the ability to offer its partners and customers something few public agencies can, the ability to shape OSFA programs and services based on their specific needs and concerns. OSFA provides financial aid workshops, publications, prompt services for participants, and helps fund scholarship and grant programs. If a participant has a problem or suggestion, the OSFA management team listens and makes every effort to implement a solution that meets their needs. Public dollars deserve the kind of accountability OSFA provides in financing education.

The News to Know is now available on the [Policy, Regulations, and Guidance](#) page of our website. Previous editions may be viewed on our [Archives](#) page.

Contact OSFA

Tallahassee, FL

State Programs: 1-888-827-2004

Email: OSFA@fldoe.org

Federal Loans: 1-800-366-3475

Locally: 1-850-410-5200

Email: OSFAStudentLoans@fldoe.org

Visit our website at

www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org

**[Click here](#) to contact
an OSFA Outreach
Representative about
your institution's needs.**