

Use Your College Bound SCHOLARSHIP at the Seattle Community Colleges



Are you a College Bound Scholarship senior planning to attend one of the Seattle Community Colleges next fall? If so, here is a list of steps you should complete by the end of June. **If you wait until the end of summer, you may not get the classes you want or the financial aid you need.** Also, placement test results will be more accurate if you take them during or just after high school. Plan ahead so you can enjoy your summer knowing you are all set to begin college in the fall.



Steps to Go to College:

Step 1: Complete the College Application (fall, senior year). Use the online Web Admissions Center at <https://www.public.ctc.edu/ApplicantWebClient/Applicant/ApplyWelcome.aspx> or apply in person by going to the Admissions office at the Seattle Community College you wish to attend.

Step 2: Fill Out the FAFSA (January, senior year). It is very important to complete the FAFSA in January or you risk not receiving a full financial aid award. You cannot complete the FAFSA before January 1 for fall admission. Go to <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>. You will need your parent/guardian's most recent tax return to complete the FAFSA. Indicate that you want your FAFSA sent to a Seattle Community College (use these school codes: North Seattle, 009704; Seattle Central, 003787; South Seattle, 009706; and Seattle Vocational Institute, 030521).

Step 3: Complete the Financial Aid Process (March, senior year). You should have received a Student Aid Report (SAR) when you completed the FAFSA. Make any needed changes or corrections on the FAFSA website and use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to upload the previous year's tax information into your FAFSA if you are eligible to do so. All students must submit additional information to the college; contact the

financial aid office if you are unsure of what additional information is needed.

If your financial aid process is not complete by the fall quarter completion deadline, you may have to pay for fall quarter tuition out of pocket and receive reimbursement when your aid eligibility is determined and finalized. If the deadline below has passed, continue completing your file and periodically check the financial aid portal and the financial aid office on your status. Financial aid is awarded year-round, so if you miss the fall deadline, make sure to meet the next quarterly deadline.

Priority and Fall Quarter Financial Aid Completion Deadlines

Priority Funding Deadline

All Colleges March 14, 2014

Fall Funding Deadline

North Seattle Community College June 30, 2014
Seattle Central Community College July 10, 2014
Seattle Vocational Institute July 10, 2014

South Seattle Community College (check [website](#) for exact date)

Step 4: Take COMPASS Prep and the COMPASS Test (May/June, senior year). Students must take the COMPASS placement test. All College Bound Scholarship students are **STRONGLY** advised to take the COMPASS prep workshop prior to taking the COMPASS test to ensure a more accurate placement. Go to <http://beforeyoutest.org> for information about the workshop and the COMPASS test. Students who have taken the ACT test may not need to take the COMPASS at South Seattle. Contact the college testing center for more information. Seattle Vocational Institute students do not take the COMPASS, assessment testing is conducted during the educational planning course (see step five).

Step 5: Attend Orientation (June, senior year). All new students are **required** to participate in orientation. In-person orientation is encouraged, but an online option is also available.

Step 6: Meet with an Academic Advisor (June, senior year). Go to the college website to find out how to meet with an advisor to plan your first quarter schedule. Students should bring their COMPASS test results and high school/AP transcript with them when meeting with an advisor. Some colleges give you a chance to meet with an advisor as part of their orientation process (step five).

Step 7: Register for Classes (June, senior year). Your advisor will help you develop an academic plan and register for fall classes.

Step 8: Finalize the Financial Aid Process (August). You will receive a financial aid award letter from the college once you have completed steps one, two, and three. Contact the financial aid office if you have any questions. You may not see “College Bound Scholarship” on your award letter until September. *Note: If you have met all College Bound Scholarship criteria, the award will cover the tuition and fees (based on public college rates) that are not covered by other state financial aid awards, plus a small book allowance.*

Step 9: See a College Counselor (June/July). See a college counselor to address any issues or barriers that may affect your college success. The counselor can also refer you to college and community resources to help support yourself while you are attending college.

Resource Links and Phone Numbers

NORTH Seattle Community College



Financial Aid: <http://northseattle.edu/financial-aid> (206) 934-3688

Testing: <http://northseattle.edu/testing> (206) 934-3674

Orientation: Register at <http://northseattle.edu/advising/new-student-orientation-signup> or call (206) 934-3658

Advisor: <http://northseattle.edu/advising/who-my-advisor>

Registration: <http://sccdweb.sccd.ctc.edu/nscckiosk/register.htm>

Counseling: <http://northseattle.edu/counseling>

Seattle CENTRAL Community College



Financial Aid: <http://www.seattlecentral/finaid> (206) 934-3844

Testing: <http://www.seattlecentral.edu/testing/> (206) 934-6344

Orientation: Call (206) 934-5450 regarding S.T.A.R.T. orientation, or go to <http://www.seattlecentral.edu/start/>

Advisor: <http://www.seattlecentral.edu/advising/>

Registration: <http://www.seattlecentral.edu/registration/index.php>

Counseling: <http://seattlecentral.edu/academic-assistance>

SOUTH Seattle Community College



Financial Aid: <http://www.southseattle.edu/financial-aid/> (206) 934-5317

Testing: <http://www.southseattle.edu/student-assessment-services/> (206) 934-5349

Student Orientation: <http://www.southseattle.edu/start/> (206) 934-5387

Advisor: <http://southseattle.edu/advising/> (206) 934-5387

Registration: <http://www.southseattle.edu/registration/> (206) 934-7938

Counseling: <http://www.southseattle.edu/counseling/> (206) 934-5387

Seattle Vocational Institute (SVI)

Financial Aid: <http://sviweb.sccd.ctc.edu/fin-aid.htm> (206) 934-4977

Student Orientation: Call (206) 934-4950 regarding educational planning course.

Registration: Your advisor will assist with your course registration.

Counseling/Advising: http://sviweb.sccd.ctc.edu/sr_counsel.htm

