



FAFSA UPDATE

DECEMBER 2021

Scholarship Strategies Webinar scheduled

When it comes to getting money for college, scholarships can be critical. Even a small scholarship could mean the difference between being able to continue postsecondary education or having to withdraw.

This "Strategies for making the most of scholarship applications" webinar will address tips and techniques for applying for scholarships. The webinar is intended for high school and college students and parents, but high school and college professionals are welcome to attend as well.

This webinar will be offered on January 25 and January 27:

- [Tuesday, January 25 at 6:00 p.m. Central](#)
- [Thursday, January 27 at 1:00 p.m. Central](#)

We will use GoToWebinar for this training, which can be accessed from any computer. Click on a link above to register or go to <https://bit.ly/ScholarshipWebinars2022>

If you have questions or need more information, contact the Mapping Your Future staff at feedback@mappingyourfuture.org or (800) 374-4072.

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2022-23 FAFSA COMPLETION IN SOUTH DAKOTA

As of December 10, 2021, 20.2 percent of South Dakota high school seniors (or 2,000 students) have completed a 2022-23 FAFSA. This completion rate is a slight decrease (1.6 percent) in FAFSA completions compared to the last academic year.*

National Statistics

Nationally, 26.2 percent of seniors have completed a FAFSA, which is a 1 percent increase when compared to last year. South Dakota currently ranks about 46th among all the states in FAFSA completion.

School Statistics

South Dakota schools with the top percentage increases in FAFSA completion as of December 10, 2021.

- 1 **Bennett County High School - 220%**
- 2 **Miller High School - 180%**
- 3 **Wall High School - 160%**
- 4 **Gregory High School - 100%**
- 5 **Parker High School - 100%**