

Maryland College Application Campaign (MCAC)

- A statewide effort to increase post-secondary education admission for high school seniors, providing access through the dissemination of ideas, development of practices, and technical assistance.
- Provides support to high school seniors, particularly first-generation students, students from low-income circumstances, unaccompanied homeless youth, foster care youth, students with disabilities, students enrolled in the Juvenile Services Education System, homeschool students, and undocumented students to pursue post-secondary opportunities.
- The MCAC provides guidance on State and federal financial aid programs.



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WHAT IS THE **MSFAA?**

- The Maryland State Financial Aid Application (MSFAA) is for Maryland resident students who are ineligible for federal aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) (i.e., undocumented students).
- The MSFAA allows qualified children of undocumented immigrants, who qualify for in-state tuition under [§15–106.8 of the MD Education Article](#), to apply and be considered for certain types of State need-based financial aid.
- The MSFAA is due March 1st annually.

WHAT IS THE **MDCAPS?**

- The Maryland College Aid Processing System (MDCAPS) is a comprehensive financial aid system that allows the State to process scholarship applications, and allocate funds more efficiently.
- **All seniors must create an MDCAPS account to receive State financial aid.**
- To create an MDCAPS account, visit www.mhec.maryland.gov and click on create a student login.

MARYLAND STATE **FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS**

NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

- Maryland Community College Promise Scholarship
- Guaranteed Access Grant
- Educational Assistance Grant
- Campus-Based Educational Assistance Grant
- 2+2 Transfer Scholarship
- Part-Time Grant

CAREER/OCCUPATIONAL-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

- Richard W. Collins III Leadership with Honor Scholarship (**NEW**)
- Workforce Shortage Assistance Grant
- Cybersecurity Public Services Scholarship

LEGISLATIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

- Senatorial Scholarship
- Delegate Scholarship

For more information about programs listed on this brochure, visit the MHEC website at www.mhec.maryland.gov or contact the MCAC State Coordinator.

FOCUSING ON **FAFSA** & PAYING FOR SCHOOL

- The MCAC provides resources and support for:
 - ◇ **FAFSA Completion and Submission**
 - ◇ **Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID**
 - ◇ **Community College Scholarships and other scholarship opportunities**
 - ◇ **Grants**
 - ◇ **FAFSA Completion Events**
 - ◇ **FAFSA Completion Initiative**
- High schools, school systems, and certain entities may participate in the **FAFSA Completion Initiative (FCI)**. For more information contact MHEC at fafsa.mhec@maryland.gov or the MCAC State Coordinator.
- Schools are encouraged to work with their community college and university partners such as college admission and financial aid representatives, business leaders, and the faith-based community.



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