



# Scholarship Applications

## [how to apply]

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Framingham High School



# Scholarships 101

The three types of scholarships:

1. Scholarships from colleges (financial aid packages)
  - when you apply to a college, you will get a portal login-  
MAKE SURE YOU CAN ACCESS THIS PORTAL
  - each college is required to give you a unique financial aid package
2. FAFSA
3. Scholarships you can apply for  
[FIND THOSE HERE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!](#)

# Applying to scholarships on Naviance

- **FHS Scholarships**

- These scholarships use the FHS Scholarship application and get handed into Mrs. Erikson (***most on or before 3/1/2024***)
- The essay is 1+ paragraph(s) about how you fit the scholarship's description listed below the name of the scholarship in the newsletter and on Naviance
- Only open to FHS students

- **Private, local scholarships**

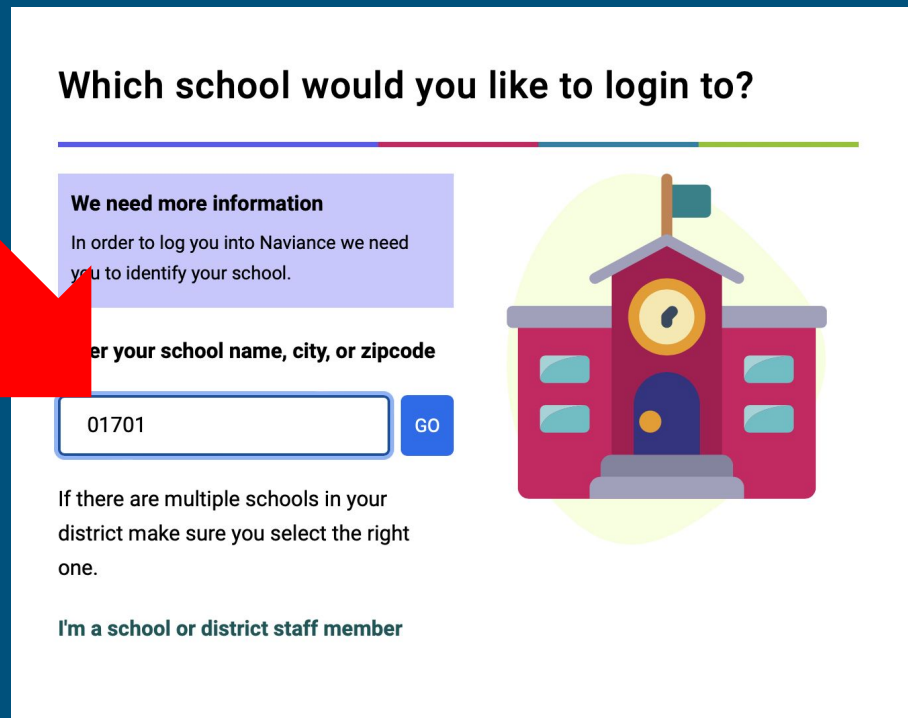
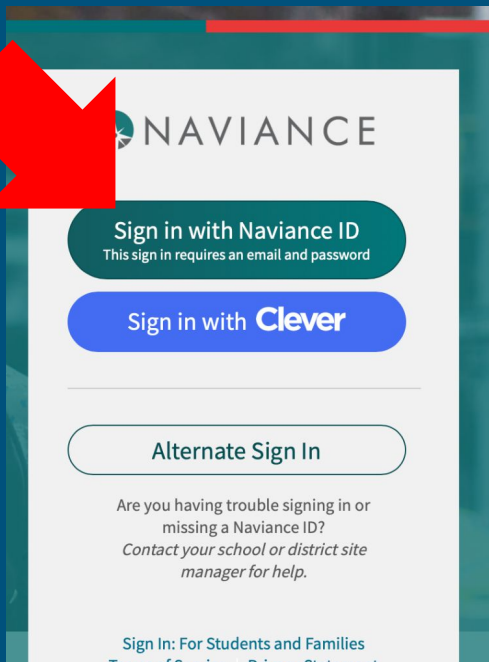
- Private, local scholarships have an application unique to each scholarship
- Where the scholarship gets handed into can be found on Naviance and in the description in the Scholarship Newsletter
- Only open to FHS or students in nearby districts

- **Nationwide scholarships**

- These scholarships each have a unique scholarship application (often times online)
- Where the scholarship gets handed into can be found on Naviance and in the description

# How to Apply to FHS Scholarships

1. Log-in to [www.naviance.com](http://www.naviance.com) [zip code is 01701]



If you can't find your login info please email [rerikson@framingham.k12.ma.us](mailto:rerikson@framingham.k12.ma.us)

# How to Apply to FHS Scholarships

## 2. Click Framingham High School

Which school would you like to login to?

**We need more information**

In order to log you into Naviance we need you to identify your school.

Enter your school name, city, or zipcode

01701

GO

Results for 01701

[Framingham High School](#)

If there are multiple schools in your district make sure you select the right one.

[I'm a school or district staff member](#)

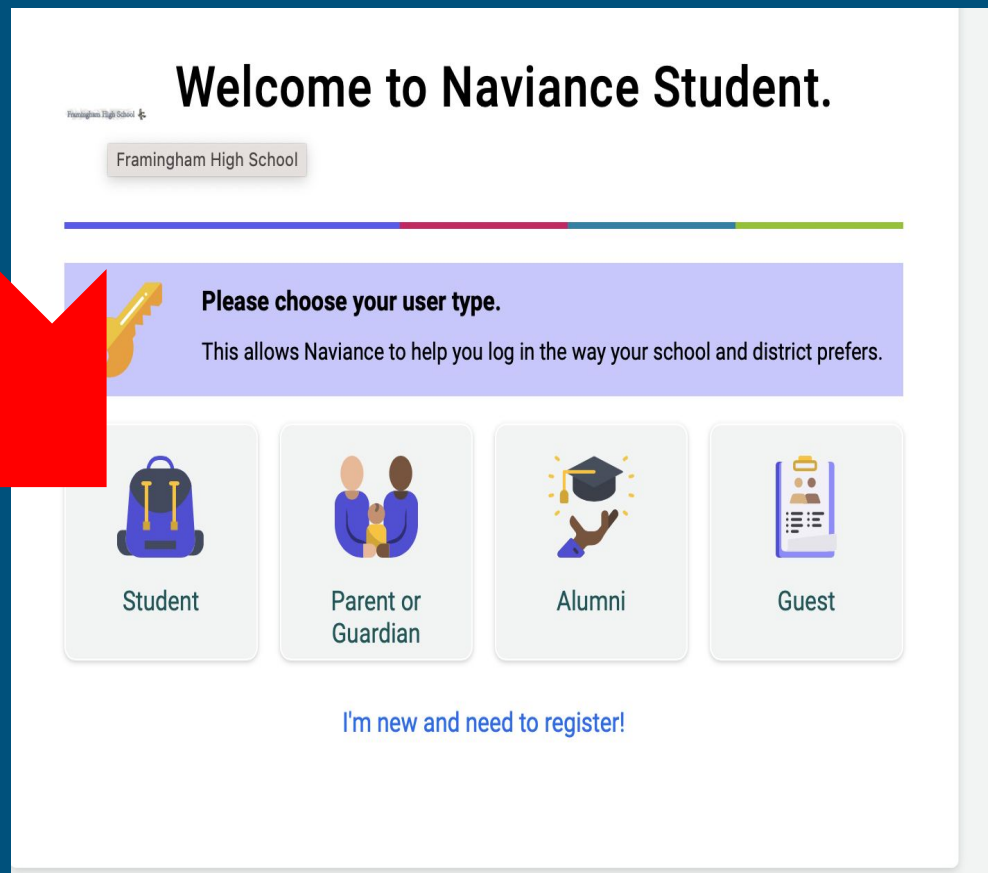


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## 3. Click "Student"



**Welcome to Naviance Student.**

Framingham High School

**Please choose your user type.**  
This allows Naviance to help you log in the way your school and district prefers.

**Student**

**Parent or Guardian**

**Alumni**

**Guest**


[I'm new and need to register!](#)

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## 4. Log In with FHS Student Email

**Welcome Student!**



**Login to Naviance**

**Email**

**Password**

Remember me [Forgot your password?](#)

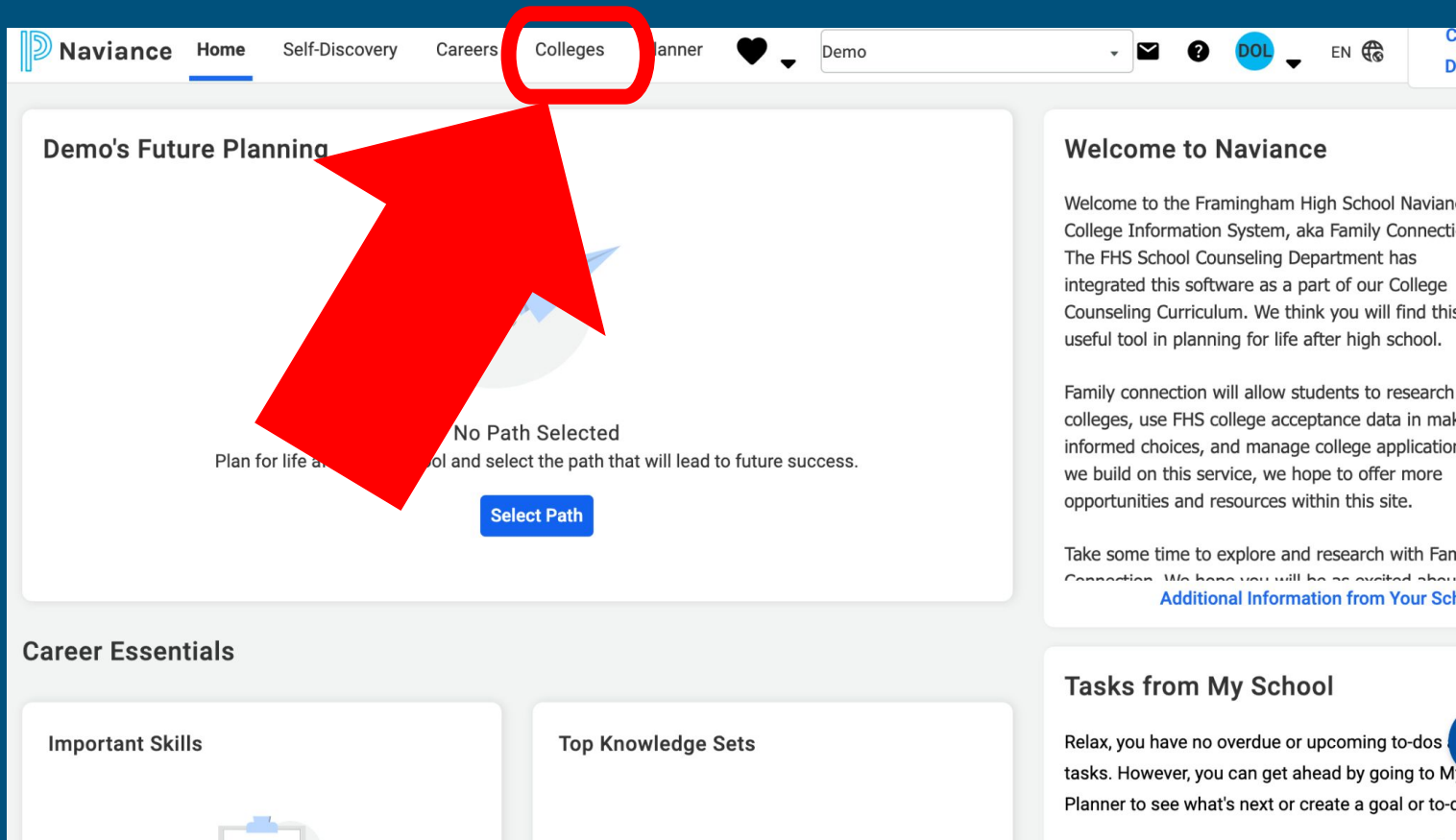
**CONTINUE**

[Need additional help?](#)  
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5. Once logged in Click 'Colleges' in the top right corner of your home page



The screenshot shows the Naviance website interface. The top navigation bar includes the Naviance logo, a 'Home' link, and several menu items: 'Self-Discovery', 'Careers', 'Colleges', and 'Planner'. The 'Colleges' link is circled in red. To the right of the navigation bar, there is a user profile section with a heart icon, a dropdown arrow, and the name 'Demo'. Further right are icons for email, help, a 'DOL' button, and language settings ('EN').

The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Demo's Future Planning:** This section features a large red arrow pointing towards the 'Colleges' link. Below the arrow, it says 'No Path Selected' and 'Plan for life after high school and select the path that will lead to future success.' There is a blue 'Select Path' button.
- Welcome to Naviance:** This section contains a welcome message: 'Welcome to the Framingham High School Naviance College Information System, aka Family Connection. The FHS School Counseling Department has integrated this software as a part of our College Counseling Curriculum. We think you will find this useful tool in planning for life after high school.' It also mentions that family connection will allow students to research colleges, use FHS college acceptance data, and manage college applications. A link for 'Additional Information from Your School' is visible at the bottom.
- Career Essentials:** This section includes two sub-sections: 'Important Skills' and 'Top Knowledge Sets'.
- Tasks from My School:** This section states: 'Relax, you have no overdue or upcoming to-do tasks. However, you can get ahead by going to My Planner to see what's next or create a goal or to-do item.'



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6. On the 'Colleges' drop-down tab, click 'Scholarships'

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The 'Colleges' dropdown menu is open, displaying four main categories:

- College Home**
  - College Home
  - Find Your fit**
    - SuperMatch College Search
    - College Match
    - College Events
    - Scattergrams
    - Advanced College Search
    - College Lookup
- Research Colleges**
  - Colleges I'm Thinking About
  - College Visits
  - College Compare
  - College Resources
  - Acceptance History
  - Enrichment Programs
  - College Maps
- Apply to College**
  - Colleges I'm Applying To
  - Manage Transcripts
  - Letters of Recommendation
  - Test Scores
- Scholarships & Money**
  - College-Specific Scholarships
  - National Scholarship Search
  - Scholarship Search** (highlighted with a red box)
  - Favorite Scholarships

A large red arrow points from the bottom right towards the 'Scholarship Search' option in the dropdown menu.

Below the navigation bar, a 'Select Path' button is visible on a white background. Further down, there is a section titled 'Career Essentials'.









# How to Apply to FHS Scholarships

Have your parent/Guardian complete the last piece of the Application



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\_\_\_\_\_ Accepted? \_\_\_\_\_

10.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Accepted? \_\_\_\_\_

**TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN**

**Parent/Guardian 1 First/Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian 1 Job Title/Employer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian 2 First/Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian 2 Job Title/Employer:** \_\_\_\_\_

*List all other children/dependents and indicate if they are attending college during the 2024-2025 school year:*

\_\_\_\_\_

Attending college? (Y)\_\_\_\_ (N) \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Attending college? (Y)\_\_\_\_ (N) \_\_\_\_

# How to Apply to FHS Scholarships



Framingham High School  
Scholarship Application 23-24  
Due Wednesday, March 1, 2024



Put the name of the FHS Scholarship for which you are applying:

On a separate sheet of paper, write 1 or paragraphs that describe how you fit the eligibility criteria for the scholarship you listed above, and anything else that you would like the respective Scholarship Committee to consider.

Make sure to include your name on the separate sheet, which should be attached to this page.

School counselor name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cellphone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Avg: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Language(s) spoken at home: \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Other than English

## FINACNIAL NEED

Approximately, what can your family and/or you contribute to college costs? \_\_\_\_\_  
\*You may refer to FAFSA's SIA response for this question

Have you been offered or awarded merit/grant/scholarship money from a college or university? Yes: \_\_\_ No: \_\_\_

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Each Application should have an "Essay" with it

- The essay is 1+ paragraph(s) about how you fit the scholarship's description

*\*\* See an example of the scholarship description in the next slide*



# Scholarship “essay” - Eligibility

## Local Scholarships with FHS APPLICATION

### The Bennie Ottaviani Service Award (\$300) -- Due March 1, 2024

*Sponsored by the FHS Parent-Teacher Booster Organization, this is awarded in honor of Officer Ottaviani, a member of the Framingham Police Department. The recipient should be an FHS senior who has supported the FHS community in an unselfish manner, and who has made an “enthusiastic and outstanding contribution to FHS.”*

The application can be found on Naviance ([www.naviance.com](http://www.naviance.com)) or in K002.

- \*\*FHS scholarship application\*\*

### Charles W. Hickson Memorial Scholarship (\$5,000) -- Due by March 1, 2024

*This scholarship is presented in Memory of Charles W. Hickson, a lifelong resident of Framingham. Charlie held various positions at the Bank including that of President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors. Charlie retired in 2006 after 54 years of service to the Bank and to the community of Framingham. This scholarship is awarded to an FHS senior who will attend a 4-year college and who has demonstrated integrity and has diligently applied him/her to his/her studies and career goal. Preference is given to those seniors with financial need.*

The application can be found on Naviance ([www.naviance.com](http://www.naviance.com)) or in K002.

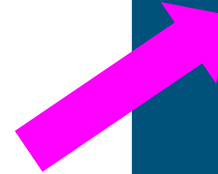
- \*\*FHS scholarship application\*\*

### Community Recycling Awards Scholarship (TBD) – Due March 1, 2024

*Awarded to 1 or more seniors with a passion for the environment who will major in Environmental Studies (or a related science) at a 4-year college or university.*

The application can be found on Naviance ([www.naviance.com](http://www.naviance.com)) or in K002.

- \*\*FHS scholarship application\*\*



Talk about how you have helped / benefited / volunteered at or outside of FHS



Talk about which four-year colleges you've applied to; how you've applied yourself to your intended major of studies (e.g. what classes you took at FHS or dual enrollment); talk about why you are interested in your future career; how you've supported the FHS / local community

Specific major:  
Environmental  
Science



This scholarship specifies an intended major in Environmental Science; it also wants to hear about how you've supported the environment (e.g. community service)



# How to write FHS Scholarship Essay

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## Essay Example

I have dreamed of pursuing a career in medicine since pre-school, and since then I have never stopped working towards that goal. I have been a dedicated and hardworking student, and I have always striven to do my work right, not fast, a challenging endeavor with a schedule as rigorous as mine but one that has been extremely rewarding. I have taken advantage of summer opportunities, such as the research experience-turned-virtual lecture series I was selected to attend with Dana Farber / Harvard Cancer Center last summer. As disappointed as I am that I was not able to gain experience in clinical research, I am so grateful that I had the opportunity to learn about the work of the many researchers who spoke and about their journeys to their current careers. The experience taught me so much about the process of becoming a doctor and opened my eyes to many careers within medicine and medical research that I was previously unaware of. This ended up being very important to me because it helped me decide on pursuing a more public health focused track within the field of medicine.

I applied to many universities where I am confident that I would have the environment, resources, and academic rigor necessary to succeed and prepare for medical school, and I have already heard back from two universities that I might be able to attend. The next step towards reaching my career goals at this point is finding a way to fund my education. I have worked part-time for the past two years to help add to what my family has saved for my college education, but many of my top choice colleges may still be difficult for me to afford without significant financial aid. I believe that I fit the criteria for the Charles W. Hickson Scholarship because I have worked diligently in my academics and in pursuing extracurricular opportunities, all towards pursuing my goal of a career in medicine, and this generous award could help bring my lifelong dream that much closer to becoming a reality.

# How to write a FHS Scholarship Essay

## Example Scholarship Essay Format Template

### 1. Introductory Sentence

- a. State your full-name
- b. State the name of the scholarship you are applying for.

### 2. Educational Objectives & Goals

- a. State your intended major & why you selected it
- b. State future goals (e.g. career interests / plans)

### 3. Brief Background

- a. Tell about yourself
- b. Give specific examples of your character
- c. Highlight your interests including volunteer work & experience

### 4. Need

- a. State why you need this scholarship
- b. State how this scholarship will help you.

### 5. Conclusion

- a. Highlight an item or two from your essay.
- b. Thank the judges (optional)



**Important**

Make sure you answer ALL parts of the scholarship eligibility and don't put in extraneous information (you want the “essay” to be specific to each scholarship’s unique eligibility criteria).

# How to write a FHS Scholarship Essay

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**DON'T KNOW  
WHERE TO START?**

Try this Essay Starter...

“Thank you for considering me for the *(name scholarship)* scholarship. I feel I meet the criteria for this scholarship because *(list why you qualify for this scholarship)*”

# How to hand-in FHS Scholarships

FHS Scholarships need to be directly handed into Mrs. Erikson (K002) **on or before 3/1/2024** (unless stated otherwise)

→ be sure to check dates for each scholarship you apply to –

**HARD COPIES ONLY WITH ESSAY STAPLED**



# How to hand-in Local Scholarships

Local Scholarships will have the directions of where / when they need to be handed in below the scholarship description in the scholarship newsletter (see example below).

Specific major:  
Environmental/  
Civil Studies &  
related fields

## Framingham Garden Club Scholarship (\$1,000 - \$1,500) -- Due April 11, 2024

*The Framingham Garden Club, Inc. is pleased to offer scholarships to graduating seniors who will be attending a post high school program that includes either a four-year degree, a two-year degree or a certificate program. One \$1500.00 and a minimum of two \$1000.00 scholarships will be awarded in May 2024. These scholarships are open to residents of Framingham who will graduate from high school in June of 2024. The Framingham Garden Club, Inc. is looking for students who will be studying Environmental Sciences, Horticulture or related fields. Hand in to Ms. Erikson (K002) on or before 4/11/24*  
The application can be found on Naviance ([www.naviance.com](http://www.naviance.com)) or in K002.

- **\*\*Private, paper application\*\***

## Christa McAuliffe Regional Charter Public School Scholarship (\$500) -- Due April 12, 2024

*Awarded to a senior who graduated from the McAuliffe Charter School who plans to pursue a degree beyond a high school diploma. The recipient will be selected based on academic performance, extracurricular involvement, community service, recommendations, and the application essay.*

Completed applications and documents must be delivered no later than April 12th:

Christa McAuliffe Charter School Attn: Jennifer Langmeyer PTG Scholarship Committee  
139 Newbury Street, Framingham, MA 01701

The application can be found on Naviance ([www.naviance.com](http://www.naviance.com)) or K002.

- **\*\*Private application\*\***

McAuliffe  
Middle School  
alum

For example , this scholarship specifies it gets handed into Ms. Erikson in K002

This scholarship specifies that it gets mailed to a specific address

# Other Important Financial Aid Reminders

## FAFSA

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid
- Government assistance for paying for college
- Combination of loans (must be paid back) and grants (monies that do not need to be paid back)
- Make ID at <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/sign-in/landing>
- Find assistance for filling out the FAFSA [here](#)

## CSS

- Accessed through your College Board account
- Only required by certain private (e.g. non-state) universities
  - Find the list of schools that require the CSS Profile [here](#)
- Helps more expensive schools understand what your family is able to pay toward college
- Find assistance for filling out the CSS [here](#)