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Counselors, Teachers,

It's a new year! As we all know it's a different type of school year. I realize the beginning of a "normal" year is very busy time for Counselors, and this one seems a little more challenging for everyone. I hope I can help a little. Most of you know me, but there are a few of you that may not be familiar with what I do. I work for East Central University, but I am located at Seminole State. I work for a TRIO program called Educational Opportunity Center. Our services include filing FAFSA online for seniors, linking taxes from IRS to the FAFSA, and if need filing for a Tax Return Transcript from the IRS. There is no charge for any of our services. We file FAFSA, regardless of which college or career tech the students may choose to attend.

If you are planning a senior week or parent night and would like for me to come visit with the students and/or parents I will be glad to. It is helpful if they know in advance what they need to bring when we file the FAFSA, and parents often have many questions. I may not have all the answers, but I let them know together we will find the answer. If you're planning one of these events, and would like for me to come, let me know the date it is planned for, then we can schedule a day or evening for me to come file FAFSA for the students. If you're not planning one of these events, please call or email and we will schedule a date for me to come to the school. I realize this year may present a challenge for doing this, but I am willing to work with each schools guidelines.

The next 3 sheets in this packet will be helpful for parents, students, and myself to complete FAFSA. I have sent directions in this packet, or at least the website, for the students and parents to create their FSA ID. Parents are expected to create their own.

On the day or evening I come to file FAFSA. I prefer working one on one with parents and/or students. It is easier and actually quicker than doing it all in a group. It usually takes approximately 20 minutes to do a FAFSA, especially if the students and parent have created their FSA ID. I come prepared to stay as long as needed, unless there is a big gap in time. If I need to come more than one day, I can do that also.

The requirement sheet, confidential income sheet, and FSA ID sheet should be given to the seniors ahead of time to complete. A lot of the information will need to come from the parents, especially if they can't make it when we file the FAFSA. The next sheet is a brochure you can put up with the date I will be at the school. Fill free to make as many as you need. If needed there is a signup sheet.

I am looking forward to hearing from you and hope to get to work with you and the seniors.

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## REQUIREMENT SHEET

Wanda Pierce/ EOC Counselor

Filing FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid

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**FAFSA is required** if a student qualifies for free money, is receiving scholarships, or needs a loan.

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETING 2021/2022 FAFSA**

1. **2019 Signed Tax Returns** for Parents and Student, if student filed taxes
2. **Verification of Income** ( if not filing taxes )  
Example: Copy of Social Security Benefit Statement, copy of VA Benefit Statement, or income proof.
3. **Guardianship Papers or Foster Care Verification** – Check with school office for a copy

**Remember:** Students will need the parent's income information, even if they live on their own, until the student is 24, married, or has a child of their own, and can prove they provide at least 50% for that child.

**Every question below is crucial to FAFSA, especially if parents can't attend when filing the student's FAFSA. We can't complete the process without these questions being answered. If a copy of your taxes is not available, please make sure we have the correct address that's on the taxes, and fill out and sign the next page.**

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_ Female  
Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ SS# \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ (par or stu)

**College attending:** (Put more on back, if need)

\_\_\_\_\_ On Campus \_\_\_\_ Off Campus

Father or Step-Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ (as appears on your SS Card)  
SS# \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Mother or Step-Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ (as appears on your SS Card)  
SS# \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

**If Parents filed taxes as "married filing jointly" FAFSA will ask the amount of each parent's income, which is found on the W2's. Father's income \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's income \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date** when parents, or parent & step parent, were married \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** of parent's divorce if neither parent has remarried \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** of deceased parent, if living parent hasn't remarried \_\_\_\_\_

How many in household \_\_\_\_\_ Number going to college \_\_\_\_\_

IS either parent receiving unemployment? \_\_\_\_ Is either parent receiving SS Benefits? \_\_\_\_  
Is either parent receiving VA Benefits? \_\_\_\_ Any other Source of income? \_\_\_\_\_ Amount? \_\_\_\_  
Food Stamps \_\_\_\_\_

**Please write the names and address at it appears on the 2019 taxes for the parents and for the student, if they filed and the address is different.**

Parents: \_\_\_\_\_ Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**Statement of Income Sheet**

I \_\_\_\_\_ do affirm that my family taxable income for 2019  
(Print Full Name) (Year)

Was \$ \_\_\_\_\_. There are \_\_\_\_\_ member in my family.

Father's income \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Income \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent's Signature) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Statement of Income Sheet for Student  
if student filed taxes**

I \_\_\_\_\_ do affirm that my taxable income for  
(Student print full name)

2019 was \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's signature) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A FSA ID is **REQUIRED** for **Students & one Parent** to file FAFSA.

**“ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS BELOW WILL NOT CREATE A FSA ID. YOU MUST GO ONLINE TO CREATE IT.”**

Go to [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov) then [create FSA ID](#)

**Student name** \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL or telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ **Required to recover ID**

**RECOMMENDED QUESTIONS**

Name of elementary school or the city it's located in \_\_\_\_\_

City born in \_\_\_\_\_

High School mascot \_\_\_\_\_

Choose a question from the suggested list \_\_\_\_\_

**USERNAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PASSWORD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's name** \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Father ☐ Mother

EMAIL or TELEPHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ **Required to recover ID**

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# DON'T MISS THE DEADLINE!

An EOC Counselor will be  
available to help you file  
FAFSA  
No matter which College you  
choose!



*In State or out of state*



**Counselor:**  
**Wanda Pierce**

Academic Counselor for FAFSA  
Educational Opportunity Center

**Date for Filing FAFSA:**

**Allow 30 minutes per student.**

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