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### Did You Know?

There are many ways of keeping college affordable. Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as early as possible. The FAFSA is used by the college to determine eligibility for federal and state aid. The exemption does not cover the cost of books, housing or food. FAFSA can help you determine other sources of aid to help with costs not covered by the exemption. View federal and state financial aid programs.



# Title IX, Part A

Students in Transition

## > What is the Homeless Fee Exemption?

According to Florida law, a student who is homeless may be exempted from paying tuition and fees at a Florida College System institution. For the purpose of the fee exemption, Florida law defines homelessness as, "A student who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence or whose primary nighttime residence is a public or private shelter designed to provide temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized, or a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for

HOMELESS STUDENTS ARE ...

2 TIMES AS LIKELY AS THEIR HOUSED PEERS TO SCORE POORLY ON STANDARDIZED TESTS IN MATH AND READING.

3 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE PLACED IN SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DROP OUT OF SCHOOL.

7 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DROP OUT OF SCHOOL.

8 TO REPEAT GRADES.

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If you have any questions, please contact the Title
IX Office
850-301-3008
www.okaloosaschools.com/district/titlel

As of 12/2/19 438 Homeless Students



#### **Mary Esther**

comfort Closet
started for students to
pick up hygiene items,
as well as a No Kid
Hungry Food Pantry
Thank you for seeing a
need in your school
community and filling it!

#### **Antioch**

4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade Aviators sponsoring a canned food drive for **Caring and Sharing f**ood bank in Crestview.

Community service stimulates personal growth, benefits schools and communities.