



2026-2027 APPLICATION

Get the most aid available.

Millions of dollars of financial aid go unused every year because students don't think they will qualify, which in many cases isn't true. The California College Promise Grant (CCPG) **waives community college enrollment fees** if you're eligible.

Fill out the **FAFSA** or the **California Dream Act** application for additional financial aid to help with other costs of attendance (books, food, rent, etc.).

YOU SHOULD APPLY IF:

- ☒ You've lived in California for at least one year, or
- ☒ You've been determined a California resident homeless youth by the Financial Aid Office, or
- ☒ You're eligible for non-resident tuition as an AB 540 or AB 1899 student, or with a "T" or "U" visa.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- ☒ Your or your parent's/guardian's 2024 tax information. We'll walk you through which one you'll need.



START HERE ▶ This should take about 10 minutes. Answer all questions to determine your eligibility.



Full Name _____

Email _____

Student ID _____

Phone Number _____

Date of Birth (Format 00/00/0000) _____

Are you independent or dependent?

Answer all questions to determine who's income you'll provide.

Q1. Were you claimed on one of your parent's/guardian's 2024 tax return?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A (My parent(s)/guardian(s) did not file for 2024.)

Q2. Do you live with one or both of your parent(s)/guardian(s)?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Q3. Were you born before January 1, 2003?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Q4. Are you married or in a Registered Domestic Partnership (RDP)?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Q5. Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces or currently serving on active duty for purposes other than training?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Q6. Do you have children or dependents who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027?
☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answer yes to the above question, please provide a count of the number of dependents by entering a number from 1 to 9 in the age ranges below:

Number of dependents under the age of 18 years _____

Number of dependents 18 years old or older _____

Q7. Does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Q8. At any time since you turned age 13, were both of your parents deceased, were you in foster care, a dependent or ward of the court, or an emancipated minor?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Q9. Since July 1, 2025, were you determined an unaccompanied youth who was homeless by a high school, district, or college homeless liaison, or a director of an emergency shelter, or a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program or a financial aid administrator?
☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answered no or didn't file to both Q1 and Q2, or yes to any in Q3-Q9, you're considered **INDEPENDENT**. Use your income in the next section.

Otherwise, you're considered **DEPENDENT**: use your parent'(s)/guardian's income in the next section.

Income

Your income and household size may qualify you for the CCPG.

Q10. **Dependent Student:** How many people are in your parent(s)'/RDP household? _____

(Include yourself, your parent(s)/RDP, and anyone who lives with your parent(s)/RDP and receives more than 50% of their support from your parents/RDP, now and through June 30, 2027.)

Q11. **Independent Student:** How many people are in your household? _____

(Include yourself, your spouse/RDP, and anyone who lives with you and receives more than 50% of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2027.)

Q12. 2024 Adjusted Gross Income

If 2024 U.S. Income Tax Return was filed, enter the amount from Form 1040, line 11.

Q13. Other Income

All other income received in 2024 including disability, child support, military living allowance, workers' compensation, untaxed pensions.

Q14. Total 2024 Income

Sum of the two boxes above.

Q15. The information in the table above is:

- ☐ my (or my and my spouse's/RDP's) income
- ☐ parent(s)/guardian(s)' income