



Senior Manual 2021-2022

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Information Road Map

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT...	JUST ASK...
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LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION PROCESS	Mrs. Gholam or FHS Counselor's Corner Canvas
ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPTS (FHS)	Mrs. Ruud or FHS Counselor's Corner Canvas
SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH	Career Center
WORK/CAREER SEARCH	Career Center
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COUNSELING – ACADEMIC/CAREER/PERSONAL	Mr. Jones (A-Go) Mr. Moench (Gr-N) Mrs. Davis (O-Z) Ms. Hills (9 th grade)

And if they can't answer your questions, they'll refer you to someone who can!



Start Strong!

- ☐ **Senior Interview:** Seniors are encouraged to schedule an appointment with their counselor in the fall semester to discuss their post-graduation plans. Students should check credits to be sure they are meeting their high school graduation requirements and educational goals.
- ☐ **SBA:** All seniors must take the Smarter Balanced ELA and Math test. Students that do not meet standard may complete an alternative Graduation Pathway. Seniors who have not yet met standard on one of these assessments or Graduation Pathways will **take the appropriate assessment Fall 2021**. See your counselor for other alternative Graduation Pathway opportunities. These guidelines are subject to change due to state legislation.
- ☐ **SAT or ACT:** Four-year college-bound students may take the SAT or ACT. All Washington state colleges and universities are waiving the SAT/ACT test requirements for admission in the 2022-2023 school year. If testing, students are encouraged to take it one or two times. Check college websites to verify the admissions testing requirements.
SAT registration and dates can be found at <http://sat.org/register>
ACT registration and dates can be found at <http://www.actstudent.org/register/>.

SAT Prep Class: Register online at:
<http://www.whatcom.ctc.edu/academics/community-continuing-education>

- ☐ **Financial Aid:** FHS will present a Financial Aid night for parents and students on **Wednesday October 20th 5:30 – 7:30pm in Zoom**. The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is available on OCTOBER 1, AND you should go online now to set up your FAFSA ID. Students should complete the FAFSA as soon after OCTOBER 1st as possible. The application is available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The WASFA (Washington Application for State Financial Aid) is currently available. This is a state aid program for students who aren't eligible for federal financial aid because of immigration status.
<https://readysetgrad.wa.gov/wasfa-washington-application-state-financial-aid>

- ☐ **Scholarships:** Information is available in the Career Center web page.
<https://www.ferndalesd.org/ferndalehigh/career-center>

Begin researching scholarships early and create your *Academic Resume*.

- ☐ **Applying to Colleges:** Students applying to a 4-year college/university usually need the following information:

*each school is different- check the school's application to find out what you need.

- *An Official Transcript:* Students must request a transcript by signing the form located in Canvas FHS Counselor's Corner. Note: It takes 3 days to process requests, so if you need your transcript(s) **before** the winter break, submit your request at least one week prior to the start of the break.
- *A Personal Statement:* Tips for writing personal statements are available in the FHS Counseling Center.
- *Letters of Recommendation:* Students should complete a "Request for Letter of Recommendation" form, located in Canvas FHS Counselor's Corner. Provide a completed

form to each person you're asking and give them at least **three** weeks before your deadline.

- **SAT/ACT Scores:** Students must have scores sent directly to each college to which they are applying. The Scores must be sent from:
 - SAT - <http://sat.collegeboard.org/scores/send-sat-scores>
 - ACT - <http://www.actstudent.org/scores/send/index.html>

☐ **Running Start Students:** Running Start students must intentionally seek information regarding senior year planning. We want full time Running Start students to be in the loop. It is critical that they use their resources to stay connected and to know the important dates! They must ensure that their college courses meet FHS graduation requirements. In addition, all students should ALSO check the FHS Counselor's Corner in Canvas to be aware of FHS senior activities and other pertinent information.

Excellent Resource for all College Information

<https://compass.wsac.wa.gov/>



Interested in Attending 4 or 2-year College? Senior Year To Do List

June-September

- Continue your college search.
- Visit colleges – many schools have fall tours.
- Visit college websites.
- Narrow your list of potential colleges based on information gathered during visits and research. You should apply to 3-5 colleges.
- **Register for the SAT or ACT test. Ferndale High School code: 480400**
- Keep a calendar of test dates/fees/registration deadlines; college application deadlines; and financial aid application deadlines.
- Check your high school credits and graduation requirements on Skyward. See your counselor for any questions.
- **Tip:** Avoid the urge to ease up on your studies during senior year. Colleges look at how well you are able to balance your schoolwork and activities—and still maintain a strong GPA.

October

- FAFSA application is open October 1.
- **Attend Senior Night: October 6th - 6:30 to 7:30**
- **Attend Virtual College Fair: October and November:** <https://nacac-virtual-college-fairs.mailchimpsites.com/>
- **Attend the Virtual Financial Aid Night: October 20th 5:30 to 7:30pm**
- Complete and submit your FAFSA (online at www.fafsa.ed.gov) as soon as possible *after* October 1st- the earlier you apply, the better your chances for receiving aid.
 - **Be sure to keep a copy of your application.**
- Check college websites for any additional financial aid applications/deadlines they require.
- Continue your college search and arrange visits.
- Check priority application deadlines for all colleges on your list.
- Most colleges have online applications on their websites. Begin the application process now. Read the directions carefully and follow them exactly.
- Check housing availability at colleges you are applying to—residence hall space may be limited.
- Ask for letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, and employers. Fill out the “Request a Letter of Recommendation” form and give it to your recommenders at least three weeks prior to when you need it. Be sure to make multiple copies.
- **If you are completing the Common Application:** Please note that it requires one counselor and two teacher recommendations. The counselor and teachers must be “invited” using the School Forms tab on the application. It is critical to complete the School Forms tab first, so that your recommenders have enough time to write their letters.
- **Tip:** Common Application website: <https://www.commonapp.org>



November:

- If you are applying for early admissions to colleges, many deadlines are in November
- Prepare for Scholarships by creating your *Academic Resume*.
- University of Washington application due November 15th (application available NOW)
- Some college admissions deadlines are in November/December, so you may need to submit your application now. If your application requires a "School Report," be sure to allow at least two weeks for your teacher or counselor to complete their portion. Save copies of what you submit.
- Early Action/Early Decision application are due in Nov/early Dec.

The following events may occur in the spring of 2021. Check the Career Center for any updates.

- **Attend BTC Virtual Tour Field** – Tours begin Nov. 9th
- **Attend WCC Preview Day - TBD** Tour WCC campus, attend a mock class, meet teachers

December:

- Be aware of University application and Scholarship deadlines.
- Check the status of your FAFSA (www.fafsa.ed.gov). You can also print/view your **Student Aid Report (SAR)** -available within one week if you used an electronic signature, or 2-3 weeks if you mailed or printed a signature page).
- The SAR will tell you the amount of money your family is expected to contribute and your eligibility for federal grants and loans. Remember, the college will determine final eligibility for all aid.

January:

- Check to see if the schools to which you are applying require any other specific financial aid forms. Most Financial Aide deadlines are the end of January and early February.
- Start checking FHS Scholarship site weekly.
- Washington State College applications are due late January

February:

- Continue researching scholarships. Both local listings and free online scholarship search programs are available online from the Counseling Center Website (under Scholarships).
- Dollars for Scholars opens up: www.whatcom.dollarsforscholars.org
- Check your high school credits and graduation requirements on Skyward. See your counselor for any questions.
- **Tip:** Many Colleges have March deadlines for admissions applications. Make sure all college applications are complete with transcript and fees paid!

March

- Continue to complete scholarship applications.

April-June

- Acceptance letters should begin to arrive along with financial award packages! This is a big decision that requires careful review. Check with your counselor if you need assistance with this decision. **May 1 is deadline for 4-year college acceptance.**
- Continue to search for and complete scholarship applications.
- In May, complete the "Senior Survey" to notify the Counseling Center of future plans and awards or scholarships you have received so that you will be included in the *Senior Recognition Night*.
- **Sign Final Transcript Form.** Counseling office will send your final transcript to your school, we CANNOT send transcripts without your signature. This is a Must!!!
- June --GRADUATE! Woohoo!



Links to all of Washington State's Colleges/Universities

To visit individual college websites, choose one of the links below.
(Each website has details about the college's admission procedures)

4-Year Colleges/Universities

(both public and independent)

www.a2zcolleges.com/undergrad/washington.html

2-Year Community/Technical Colleges

www.sbctc.edu/our-colleges/



Washington State Members

Gonzaga University
Pacific Lutheran University
Saint Martin's University
Seattle Pacific University
Seattle University
University of Puget Sound
Whitman College
Whitworth College
Evergreen State College

Almost 400 colleges and universities nationwide are members.

<https://www.commonapp.org>

Minimum College Admission Standards

An Overview for Students and Parents

College Academic Distribution Requirement (CADR) Coursework:

CADRs are the requirements that students must complete during high school to meet college admission standards.

College admissions decisions are made by individual colleges, and vary depending on the type of institution and other factors. While high school graduation (or the equivalent) is typically required, **meeting high school graduation requirements is not the same as meeting college admissions standards.**

Check the following website to see what each Washington State College requires as the minimum entry course requirements:

Click on “**Baccalaureate Institutions**” (4-year schools) to see each State school’s standards.

<https://www.wsac.wa.gov/college-admissions>

SAT and ACT Test Dates

There are no SAT or ACT tests offered in Whatcom County this year

2021-2022 SAT DATES

Register: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register>

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
November 6, 2021	October 8, 2021
December 4, 2021	November 4, 2021
March 12, 2022	February 11, 2022
May 7, 2022	April 8, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 25, 2022

2021-2022 ACT DATES

Register: <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration.html>

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Deadline</u>
December 11 , 2021	November 5, 2021
February 12, 2022	January 7, 2022
April 2, 2022	February 25, 2022
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022
July 16, 2022	June 17, 2022

What Do Colleges Look For?

A Holistic Review

Academic Preparation & Performance

Colleges look at many factors in reviewing applications for admission. It should be understood that academic preparation and performance are primary. Indicators of preparation and performance include:

- An overall strong level of academic achievement as demonstrated by rigor of curriculum, GPA, standardized test scores and academic distinctions.
- Enrollment in core subjects beyond the minimum required for college entrance. (Core subjects are English, math, science, social studies and foreign language.)
- Taking advantage of college preparatory courses during high school, such as Advanced Placement (AP), Running Start and other meaningful academic choices.
- Taking a rigorous course load during senior year
- Demonstrating a pattern of academic improvement and growth
- Demonstrating habits associated with independent intellectual growth such as self-guided reading, engagement with other cultures or research activities
- Demonstrating exceptional talent and achievement in a specific area(s)

Personal Achievements and Characteristics

In addition to academic preparation and performance, personal achievements and characteristics are also carefully reviewed by college admission counselors. These include:

- Demonstrating a commitment to community service and leadership
- Exercising significant responsibility in a family, community, employment or through activities
- Attaining a college-preparatory education in the face of significant personal adversity, economic disadvantage or disability
- Demonstrating cultural awareness or unique perspectives/experiences
- Demonstrating notable tenacity, insight, originality or creativity

The entire application, including the personal statement, is important in the individual application review. A high degree of care should be evident in both the content and mechanical/grammatical accuracy of all materials.

Note: Colleges are seeing a trend of personal statements written by parents. This is easily recognizable and must be avoided at all costs!

Source: Adapted from University of Washington High School Counselors Meeting

Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

What is WUE?

WUE is the Western Undergraduate Exchange, a program coordinated by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE). Through WUE, students in Western states may enroll in participating 2-year and 4-year public college programs at a reduced tuition level: up to 150 percent of the institution's regular resident tuition. In all cases, WUE tuition is considerably less than nonresident tuition.

Which States Participate?

Alaska	Hawaii	New Mexico	Utah
Arizona	Idaho	North Dakota	Washington
California	Montana	Oregon	Wyoming
Colorado	Nevada	South Dakota	
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands			

WUE Online

To learn about the wide variety of programs available, consult WUE Online, at www.wiche.edu/wue. For additional details, follow the links to the receiving institution websites.

Application and Admission

Apply directly to the institution of your choice for admission and WUE tuition status. Mark prominently on the institution's application form that you seek admission as a WUE student.

www.wiche.edu/wue



Work/Apprenticeship/Job Corps/Military

Senior Year To-Do List

September

- Continue your career search.
- Continue to identify and develop the skills necessary to work in your field of interest.
- Take classes at FHS to help acquire necessary skills. Be sure that you are doing everything you can to take advantage of free education/training available within the public schools.

October

- Begin updating your resume. Ask teachers/counselors permission before putting their name as a reference on your resume.
- Meet with your counselor to make sure you are taking AND passing all the classes you need to graduate. Continue to develop your employment skills.
- If you need a letter of recommendation, ask for letters from teachers, counselors, and employers. Complete the "*Request a Letter of Recommendation*" form. Forms are in the FHS Counselor's Corner Canvas page. Provide a copy of the form to at least three recommenders and give them at least three weeks to complete the letter.

November-December

- Attend any local military recruiting/apprenticeship/career fairs.
- Meet with representatives from the military and/or apprenticeship programs.
- Students interested in a military career should take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery, or ASVAB.
- Complete your resume. Templates and guidance available through Word and Google.

January/February

- Continue to update your resume and to develop your employment skills. Meet with your counselor to make sure you are taking AND passing all the classes you need to graduate.

March-June

- **BTC Try-A-Trade**
- **WCC Spring Preview**
- For the Military pathway: Take the ASVAB, it is offered in the spring at FHS or see your recruiter.
- Familiarize yourself with local job placement services, internet sites for assistance, and job search strategies (applications, interviews, etc.) It is helpful to develop a list of at least 3 potential employers with names, contact information, etc.
- Complete and turn in High School and Beyond Plan.
- In June GRADUATE!

Work

On-the-Job Training: Turn a Job into a Career



Students need to be realistic about the types of jobs that are available and the competition they will face from those with higher education and training.

Employees might be willing to teach someone the technical or job-specific skills needed for the job, but the employer expects the new employee to come prepared with good interpersonal skills. These skills include the ability to:

- Demonstrate a good work ethic; be dependable, trustworthy, punctual, polite, well-groomed.
- Communicate effectively—both verbally and in writing
- Work as part of a diverse team
- Ability to manage time, money & materials
- Use computers effectively
- Be a self-starter
- Demonstrate leadership skills

Student Job-Hunting Tips

- Network. Tell everyone you're looking for a job. Many positions are filled with friends and relatives of employees.
- Use the FHS Career Center job board or log on to the FHS website – Students – Career Center - Jobs
- Put together a quality resume and cover letter. Learn how to complete applications professionally and completely – make an appointment at the FHS Career Center to get the help you need.
- Ask for letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, coaches and employers. Complete the "Request a Letter of Recommendation" form. Forms are in the FHS Counseling Center. Provide a copy of the form to at least three recommenders and give them at least three weeks to complete the letter.
- Think about where work opportunities are located. Personally visit and respectfully ask if they are accepting applications.
- Continue to contact the businesses and companies. Inform them of continued interest. Keep an ear out for FHS Career Center field trips like Lunch with Leaders that connect students with local businesses
- Be prepared for an interview. Know something about the company, dress neatly, be punctual, look and act in a professional manner and be confident.

Sources for Finding Jobs

- WorkSource Whatcom Career Center- Valuable resources for all job seekers.
101 Prospect St, Bellingham, WA 98225
(360) 676-1521
<https://www.worksourcewa.com/> is the broader site for ALL of Washington.
- Employment Fairs – Whatcom Community College (WCC), Bellingham Technical College (BTC) and Skagit Valley Community College offer spring workshops.
- Make a list of local employers and begin to contact them.

Other Helpful Websites

www.exploreapprenticeship.wa.gov

www.NWjobs.com

YESWhatcom.com

Apprenticeship Programs

What is an Apprenticeship?

Apprenticeships are career-training opportunities combining classroom instruction and on-the-job training under the supervision of a journey-level craft person or trade professional. Apprentices “earn while they learn” and do not have tuition costs to pay. Most apprenticeship programs in WA State are divided into 3 broad career pathways:

- Building and Construction (carpenter, plumbing, electrician, iron worker, etc.)
- Manufacturing and Machine (diesel, industrial millwright, machinist, etc.)
- Service and Support (firefighter, cosmetologist, imaging tech, education paraprofessional, etc.)

Helpful Apprenticeship Websites:

- www.lni.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Apprenticeship/
- www.exploreapprenticeship.wa.gov
- esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/learn-about-an-occupation#/search

HELPFUL CONSTRUCTION WEBSITES:

Associated General Contractors of Washington Education Foundation

www.constructionfoundation.org

Carpenters Trust of Western Washington

www.ctww.org

Construct My Future

www.constructmyfuture.com

NW WA Electrical Industry JATC

www.nwejatc.org

Washington Women in Trades

www.wawomenintrades.com

Local Contacts:

Associated General Contractors of Washington

www.agcwa.com

Building Industry Association of Whatcom County

www.biawc.com



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Job Corps

Job Corps is a unique combination of education, training, and support services intended to better prepare youth to obtain and hold gainful employment and pursue further education or training. Job Corps is a residential program (students live at the training center) and is administered by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Eligibility:

- Age 16-24
- Meet income guidelines
- U.S. citizen or legal resident
- Comply with Job Corps' Zero Tolerance Policy
- Motivated and committed

Benefits:

- All Job Corps Centers are residential programs and have classrooms, dormitories, cafeterias, recreational facilities, and offices
- Offers High School Diploma or GED
- Earn \$\$ while training and more \$\$ on completion of GED/high school diploma and program completion.
- Northwest Washington Job Corps site offers:
 - Business technologies
 - Construction & Facilities Programs including carpentry, electrician
 - Health Care Occupations including medical and dental assistant
 - Culinary Arts
- Job Corps campuses in Oregon, Washington, Idaho offer many additional programs such as automotive, heavy construction, and forestry management

For more information, visit: <https://www.jobcorps.gov/>

Military Services

Benefits:

- Educational opportunities to include up to 100% tuition assistance for college
- Free technical training in over 200 different occupations
- Job Security
- Housing and meals (or allowance if married)
- Medical and dental care at no charge – retirement benefits option
- 30 days/year of paid vacation
- G. I. Bill – tuition for any school
- Signing bonuses for some Careers

General Qualifications:

- High school graduate
- Physically qualified
- Good moral character
- Qualify on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)

THERE ARE FOUR OPTIONS FOR MILITARY SERVICE:

1. ROTC The Reserve Officers' Training Corps is a good opportunity for you to get invaluable experience while you earn a college degree. When enrolled in ROTC you learn and develop leadership skills and prepare for a career as an officer in the U.S. Military. Visit <http://www.military.com/rotc> for more information.

2. Service Academy Apply for an appointment to a service academy. Members of Congress and the academies themselves appoint students. Each cadet receives his/her education at government expense prior to receiving a commission as an officer in a branch of the service. The application should begin in the spring of the junior year and is an intensive process.

Army (West Point)	www.usma.edu
Coast Guard Academy	www.cga.edu
Air Force Academy	www.usafa.af.mil
Naval Academy	www.usna.edu

3. Enlist after high school Students must be physically qualified, be of good moral character, and qualify on the ASVAB. Enlistees are not usually a commissioned officer.

4. Reserve Unit Join a National Guard or Reserve Unit. After basic training, students meet monthly to continue training.

For a guide describing military occupations, training, advancement opportunities, and employment for Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard careers, go to: www.careersinthemilitary.com.

Males who are U.S. citizens between the ages of 18 and 25 must register for Selective Service. Visit www.sss.gov to register.

Attention! Those students interested in a career in the military should take the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) test. This test will be administered in the Career Center in the spring.

APPENDIX

A. Four-Year Public and Independent (Private) Colleges & Universities in Washington State

- Map of all Four-Year Public and Independent (Private) Colleges/Universities
- Admissions Statistics for Public and Independent Colleges/Universities
- Admissions and Financial Aid Deadlines
 - Will be distributed at the Senior Meeting in September

B. Two-Year Public Community and Technical Colleges in Washington State

- Map of all Community and Technical Colleges in WA State

C. Miscellaneous

- How to complete the FAFSA
- High School and Beyond Plan Requirements

Appendix A

Four-Year Public and Independent Colleges and
Universities in WA State

Independent Four-year Colleges and Universities



Public Four-year Colleges and Universities



Admission Fees and Deadlines to Public Baccalaureates for Freshmen Starting in Fall 2021

College/University Admissions Contact	Application Deadline	Application Fee	SAT Code	ACT Code	FAFSA Priority, School Code
Central Washington University Ellensburg WA cwu.edu/admissions/first-year- students cwu.edu/admissions/admissions- directory 509.963.1211	March 1, Priority Deadline	\$60	4044	4044	March 1 Code: 003771
Eastern Washington University Cheney, WA www.ewu.edu/apply www.ewu.edu/contact Phone: 509.359.2397	February 1	\$60	4301	4454	February 1 Code: 003775
The Evergreen State College Olympia, WA evergreen.edu/admissions 360.867.6170	February 1	\$50	4292	4457	February 1 Code: 008155
University of Washington Seattle, WA admit.uw.edu 206.543.9686	November 15	\$80 (\$90 for international)	4854	4484	January 15 Code: 003798
University of Washington Bothell Bothell, WA www.uwb.edu/admissions 425.352.5000 uwbinfo@uw.edu	Early Action: Nov 15 Regular Decision: Jan 15	\$60 (\$75 for international)	4467	4497	January 15 Code: 003798
University of Washington Tacoma Tacoma, WA tacoma.uw.edu/apply 253.692.4742	January 15	\$60 (\$75 for international)	4445	4493	January 15 Code: 003798
Washington State University Pullman, WA admissions.wsu.edu admissions@wsu.edu 888.468.6978	January 31 (priority date)	\$70	Not Required	Not Required	January 31 Code: 003800
Washington State U. Tri-Cities Richland, Washington tricities.wsu.edu/admissions/ tricities.admissions@wsu.edu 509.372.7250	January 31 (priority date)	\$70	Not Required	Not Required	January 31 Code: 003800
Washington State U. Vancouver Vancouver, WA van.admissions@wsu.edu Vancouver.wsu.edu/apply 360.546.9779	January 31 (priority date)	\$70	Not Required	Not Required	January 31 Code: 003800
Western Washington University Bellingham, WA admissions.wvu.edu admissions.wvu.edu/apply (360) 650-3440	Early Action November 1 Regular January 31	\$65	4947	4490	January 31 Code: 003802

All information listed above is provided as a reference and is subject to change. Students must confirm application and admissions requirements. The Washington Council for High School – College Relations and its affiliates are not responsible or liable for any errors, omissions, or changes.

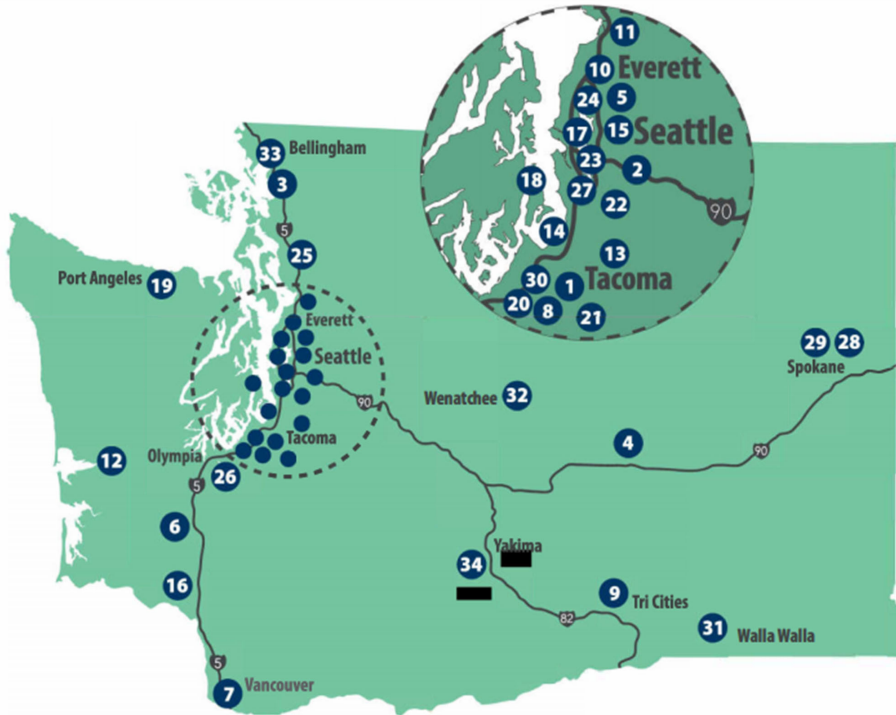
Admission Fees and Deadlines to Private Baccalaureates for Freshmen Starting in Fall 2021

College/University Admissions Contact	Application Deadline	Application Fee	SAT Code	ACT Code	FAFSA Priority, School Code
Bastyr University Kirkland, WA admissions@bastyr.edu bastyr.edu 425.602.3332	November 1 February 1	\$60 (UG)	N/A	N/A	March 15 Code: 016059
Cornish College of the Arts Seattle, WA cornish.edu 800.726.ARTS	Dec 1 Early Action Feb 15 Priority Deadline After Feb 15 Rolling	\$60	0058	4501	February 15 Code: 012315
Gonzaga University Spokane, WA gonzaga.edu 509.313.6572	December 1	\$50	4330	4458	Priority Deadline December 1 Code: 003778
Heritage University Toppenish, WA heritage.edu/admissions heritage.edu/apply 509.865.8508	None (Rolling)	FREE	4344	4462	December 15 Code: 003777
Northwest University Kirkland, WA northwestu.edu 866.327.0264	November 15	\$30	4541	4466	December 1 (Priority) Code: 003783
Pacific Lutheran University Tacoma, WA www.plu.edu 253.535.7151 Admission@plu.edu	4 Priority Reading Dates: Oct. 15, Nov. 15, Dec. 15, Jan. 15 (Rolling)	FREE	4597	4470	December 1 (priority deadline) Code: 003785
Saint Martin's University Lacey, WA stmartin.edu 360.438.4596	Priority deadlines: Oct 15, Nov 1, Dec 1, Feb 1, Mar 1, Apr 1	\$0	4674	4474	January 1 (priority deadline) Code: 003794
Seattle University Seattle, WA seattleu.edu/admissions Seattleu.edu/undergraduate- admissions/contact/ 206.220.8040	Early Action: Nov 15 Regular: Jan 15	\$60	4695	4478	February 1 Code: 003790
Seattle Pacific University Seattle, WA spu.edu 206.281.2021	November 1	\$50 (Contact admissions for waiver options)	4694	4476	February 1 Code: 003788
University of Puget Sound Tacoma, WA pugetsound.edu 253.879.3211	Early Action/Decision: Nov 1; Regular: Jan 15	\$65	4067	4450	January 15 Code: 003797
Walla Walla University College Place, WA wallawalla.edu 800.541.8900	Rolling, Early Bird Deadline: April 30	\$40	4940	4486	Rolling, Priority deadline: April 30 Code: 003799
Whitman College Walla Walla, WA whitman.edu 509.527.5176	Nov 15 for ED I Jan 1 for ED II Jan 15 for Regular	\$50 (waived for Regular if submitted by December 1)	4951	4492	See website Code: 003803
Whitworth University Spokane, WA whitworth.edu 509.777.4786	Nov 15 (Early Action I) Jan 15 (Early Action II) March 1 (Regular)	\$0	4953	4494	Early Awarding Deadline: November 15 Code: 003804

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Appendix B

Two-Year Public Community and Technical
Colleges in WA State



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| 1 - Bates Technical College | 13 - Green River College | 25 - Skagit Valley College |
| 2 - Bellevue College | 14 - Highline College | 26 - South Puget Sound Community College |
| 3 - Bellingham Technical College | 15 - Lake Washington Institute of Technology | 27 - South Seattle College |
| 4 - Big Bend Community College | 16 - Lower Columbia College | 28 - Spokane Community College |
| 5 - Cascadia College | 17 - North Seattle College | 29 - Spokane Falls Community College |
| 6 - Centralia College | 18 - Olympic College | 30 - Tacoma Community College |
| 7 - Clark College | 19 - Peninsula College | 31 - Walla Walla Community College |
| 8 - Clover Park Technical College | 20 - Pierce College Fort Steilacoom | 32 - Wenatchee Valley College |
| 9 - Columbia Basin College | 21 - Pierce College Puyallup | 33 - Whatcom Community College |
| 10 - Edmonds Community College | 22 - Renton Technical College | 34 - Yakima Valley College |
| 11 - Everett Community College | 23 - Seattle Central College | |
| 12 - Grays Harbor College | 24 - Shoreline Community College | |

Appendix C

How to complete the FAFSA/WAFSA
High School and Beyond Requirements

What is...

...the **FAFSA**? The FAFSA is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid; it is the gateway to almost all money to pay for college. This form is used to determine the amount of money (or EFC) a family can “reasonably contribute” to the price of attending a postsecondary institution. The results from the FAFSA are used in the awarding of student grants, work-study, and loans. Apply at <https://fafsa.gov/>

...the **WASFA**? The WASFA is the Washington Application for State Financial Aid; it is the gateway to state and institutional money to pay for college. This form is used to determine the amount of money (or EFC) a family can “reasonably contribute” to the price of attending a postsecondary institution. The results from the WASFA are used in the awarding of student grants, work-study (if student is DACA), and scholarships. Apply at <http://www.readyssetgrad.org/wasfa>

...an **FSA ID**? This is a Federal Student Aid Identification, which is used to access all Federal Student Aid websites, including the FAFSA website. The FSA ID consists of a user-created Username and Password. The student can create an FSA ID at any point prior to or after starting their FAFSA at <https://fsaid.ed.gov> The student and, if student is dependent, a parent will require an FSA ID to complete the FAFSA. Both student and parent will require a separate, unique email address for their FSA ID; all FSA ID users are strongly encouraged to verify their email address.

...a **SAR**? The SAR is the Student Aid Report; it is a summary (approximately 5 pages) of all the information entered into the FAFSA/WASFA. The EFC can be found at the top right corner, on the first page of the SAR. Once the FAFSA/WASFA is processed, the student will receive an email stating the Student Aid Report is ready.

...an **EFC**? The EFC stands for Expected Family Contribution. It is an indicator of a family’s ability to pay towards the student’s education. It is also used by financial offices to determine a student’s eligibility for federal, state, and some institutional financial aid during one school year.

Steps to apply for financial aid

1. Get your FSA ID (if filing FAFSA)
 - o <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>
 - o Username and password
 - o It takes 1-3 days to for FSA ID to confirm your identity with SSA. You cannot use it until successful confirmation. Check your email for when this is complete.
2. Have ONE parent get an FSA ID (if parent has SSN)*
3. Gather documents
4. Complete your FAFSA or WASFA **every year** in October
 - o <https://fafsa.gov/>
 - o <http://readysetgrad.org/wasfa>
5. Get your Student Aid Report (SAR – results of FAFSA/WASFA)
 - o Within 3-7 days, you will receive an email confirmation
 - o Log back into fafsa.gov
 - o Read first page with comments for next steps
 - o Review your answers for accuracy
 - o Make corrections if necessary
 - o Provide missing signatures if necessary*
6. Contact your financial aid office
 - o There may be additional paperwork you need to complete
 - o If you have been selected for verification (EFC will contain an “*” next to your Expected Family Contribution; i.e. EFC = 0341*, request a tax transcript from the IRS online: <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript>)
 - o Check your email and student portal regularly. Respond promptly to any requests!
7. Receive financial aid offers from each college you applied.
 - o Review and compare – whose offering a better deal?
 - o Consider appealing if you have special circumstances
 - o Formally accept the school’s aid offer

WASFA Privacy Statement

The Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) administers state financial aid including the Washington College Grant (formerly known as the State Need Grant), the College Bound Scholarship, and the Washington Application for State Financial Aid, or WASFA, for undocumented individuals. The Council is committed to providing opportunities and support to ensure every Washington student is able to pursue education beyond high school.

Regarding concerns that students, parents, and other partners may have about the confidentiality of information submitted on the WASFA, the purpose of the application is to provide eligibility information to colleges and universities in Washington that offer the Washington College Grant (formerly known as the State Need Grant) and the College Bound Scholarship. WSAC shares application information with campuses listed by the student so those schools may determine eligibility for resident tuition and financial aid. Campuses are not permitted to use the information for other purposes or share the data with other parties.

WSAC is committed to protecting the confidentiality of the information and privacy of students and families. Washington is a state committed to providing opportunities to students and protecting the rights of families.

WASFA (Washington Application for State Financial Aid)

State Financial Aid for Undocumented Individuals and Select Non-Citizens

Washington State offers financial aid programs to students who aren't eligible for federal financial aid because of immigration status. These students still need to meet other program requirements.

To find out if you qualify, complete the free WASFA to apply for state financial aid.

Application

Which WASFA application year should I fill out?

Fill out the 2019-20 WASFA application if you are planning on being enrolled in college (as a new student or continuing student) in fall term 2019 through spring term 2020. Complete the 2020-21 WASFA if you are planning on being enrolled in college in Fall term 2020 through spring term 2021.

Planning on taking courses in the summer? Please check with the college you will be attending to confirm which application you need to complete if you are enrolling in Summer sessions.

2021-22 Application Now Open

2021-22 WASFA Application Below

<u>New User</u>	<u>Returning User</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete a WASFA for the first time• Eligibility questionnaire	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Make a correction/Add a school• Submit an application for a new year
<u>Start A New WASFA</u>	<u>Returning User</u>

Residency & Citizenship

In Washington, the state uses residency requirements for tuition at public colleges and state financial aid programs. Both U.S. citizens and non-citizens can meet residency requirements. Colleges determine residency based on individual circumstances, but typically students with resident status meet one of the following standards:

- Have lived in Washington for three consecutive years prior to graduating from a Washington high school or earning a GED.
- Have ever had DACA (current or expired) and have lived in Washington for one year prior to enrolling in college.

For more information, definitions, and requirements, please visit the [Residency & Citizenship](#) page. To determine your eligibility, complete the confidential [WASFA questionnaire](#).

Application Resources

- [WASFA Application Guide](#)

Communication and Promotional Resources

- [WASFA Flyer \(Spanish\)](#)
- Contact the Washington Student Achievement Council with questions at wasfa@wsac.wa.gov or 888-535-0747, option 2.

