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ATTENTION SENIORS: During the academic year, the federal government provides billions of dollars to students in the way of loans, grants and work study programs.

First visit www.STUDENTAID.ED.GOV, to learn all about the financial aid process, from pre-college to repayment. To apply for financial aid, students must fill out the 2016-17 free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible. The website opened on October 1, 2016.

- FAFSA on the Web is a Fast, Free, secure and Easy way to apply for federal aid. Access the application at www.fafsa.gov.
- While students are encouraged to apply ONLINE, paper applications are available by calling the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-433-3243.

Obtain your PIN by visiting WWW.PIN.ED.GOV. Students and parents need to obtain their own PINs which are used to electronically sign the FAFSA application. **GUARD you PIN.**

- Prepare by completing the FAFSA ON THE Web Worksheet available at www.fsapubs.gov
- You will need your 2016 estimated or finished tax statements to complete, however, a new feature is the direct load of income taxes through a social security number.

The FAFSA is available in Spanish. Both Spanish and English directions are available.

Parents must do taxes early or be able to estimate tax numbers to complete application.

Be sure you make a copy of your completed FAFSA for your records and the confirmation letter to add to the I.H.S. scholarship application.

Do not pay money to submit your application to the Office of Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education. The application is **FREE**.

Students who are undocumented fill out an UNR, EFC document. Please see Ms. Haddad for the application in Spanish and English. This EFC can be used by students for the Incline Scholarship Application and UNR only.

Watch for local opportunities (F R E E) in the Bonanza and posted local sites such as the library for tax assistance.