

STAYING CONNECTED WITH NT4CM – FEBRUARY 2009

Who We Are

National Training for Counselors and Mentors (NT4CM) is a collaboration that provides free training and support for counselors and mentors who assist students and their families in preparing financially for college. As part of our ongoing support, from August to May, we will e-mail you reminders and resources relevant to the student financial aid lifecycle.

To find out more about NT4CM in your state, visit www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/NT4CM.

This Month's Features

- Remind students to pay close attention to deadlines as they apply for financial aid. State-imposed deadlines for state-funded aid appear on FAFSA on the Web at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Because schools may have their own deadlines for federal campus-based and school financial aid, students should directly contact financial aid administrators at their prospective schools to determine if schools have their own application forms for aid and to confirm school deadlines.
- **Students should visit www.fafsa.ed.gov to complete the online FAFSA. Please remind students that if a Web site requests credit card information or some other form of payment to complete the FAFSA, then that site is not the official government (FREE) Web site.**
- College Goal Sunday is a free program that brings together financial aid professionals and other volunteers to help families complete the FAFSA. To find a College Goal Sunday site near you, visit www.collegegoalsundayusa.org.
- Encourage students to review their Student Aid Report (SAR) and to correct any errors, if necessary, in the information supplied on the FAFSA. Students can make changes to data on the SAR by visiting FAFSA on the Web at www.fafsa.ed.gov and clicking on 'View and Print Your Student Aid Report.'

Contact Us

For more information about federal student aid, submit questions at www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov/clcf/contactus.html or call 1-800-4-FED-AID.

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