How to Receive Financial Aid

What is Financial Aid?
Do you need help paying for your classes and supplies? Don’t worry there is a support for those who require it. Financial aid is money that is given or paid or loaned to help pay for college.

There are grants and scholarships such as Pell Grants- these are awards given to you that you don’t have to pay back.

There are loans – this is borrowed money from the school that you have to pay back.

Fee Waiver – this method of financial aid pays for your tuition if you meet the qualifications.

Work study- this method allows you to work on campus to earn money which is covered by the financial aid office.

The Beginning Process
First, before you fill out your financial aid worksheet you will need the following:

Your tax papers /statement of income sheet
Your social security number/parents social security number

The intermediate Process
First, go to your college or university financial aid office and pick up the financial aid work sheet such as the fee waiver work sheet.

Fill out the work sheet and then submit it to the financial office then go online to Fafsa. Com (Free application for federal student aid).

Once both sheets are completed go to your school website, and check under financial aid status then look for financial aid award status.

If you’re eligible to get the financial aid you will receive an award letter telling you that you received the award.

Report to the cashier’s office on the date the award letter reports your financial aid is due to pick up your check.

If you’re a dependent student you will have to use your parent’s income and if they make over a certain amount of income then you will be overqualified.

Requirement
If you’re a dependent, such as financially supporting yourself or a ward of the state, then you will have to submit your income or ward of the state papers when you complete the fee waiver work sheet to the financial aid office.
Disabled Students Office

School Contact Info.

What is the Disabled Students Office?

The Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) office is where many disabled students can get necessary services and or equipment for school.

The DSPS or also known as the special resource center helps students succeed in their classes.

The Disabled Students Services will help schedule your classes, including supplemental instruction in classes and it can improve student studying through their workshops plus tutoring can be accessed at this office.

Qualification for Service

- A note from your doctor is needed to explain your disability
- I.E.P papers from high school explaining your disability

Benefits of the service

The Disabled Student Services Office will accommodate any disabled student in the best way possible

1. Free Bus Passes
2. Early Registration
3. Note Taker
4. Language Translator
5. Accommodation on Testing
6. Accommodation on school items
7. Voice Recorder
8. Schedule classes
And much more!

South West College
Disabled Students Services Office Number
323 241 5480

Trade Tech
Disabled Students Services Office Number
213 763-3773

El Camino College, Torrance
Disabled Students Services Office Number
310 660 3295

El Camino College, Compton
Disabled Students Services Office Number
310 900-1600 ext. 2406

Above are some of the local community colleges. Access other community colleges by using the website: www.LAcolleges.net

Additional Programs and/or Offices

- The EOPS (Extended Opportunity program and services)
  - EOPS helps out students with tutoring, class schedules, financial support, and scholarship planning.
  - Eligibility is based on your income.
  - Other benefits include free book vouchers and tutoring and they may waive the fee for students that apply to a four year college.

Good Luck Students!

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