

## Do you know the ESTIMATED COST of college?

	In-State (UCM)	Out of State (KSTATE)	HBCU Out of State (Southern U)	HBCU In State (Harris Stowe)	COMMUNITY COLLEGE (MCC)
	Bachelor's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Associate's Degree
TUITION and FEES	\$7,520	\$25,492	\$4,973	\$4,896	\$4,530
ROOM & BOARD	\$8,536	\$9,430	<b>\$9,44</b> 0	\$9,250	\$0
BOOKS & SUPPLES	\$1,000	\$866	\$1300	\$800	\$1,200
TRANSPORTATION	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$3,000	<b>\$2,</b> 000	\$1,000
PERSONAL	\$1,500	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$500
ESTIMATED COST PER YEAR	\$19,556	\$39,088	\$20,013	\$18,246	\$7,050

#### 3 Ways to fill the gap and Pay for College

- 1. Apply for Scholarships (Does Not Need to Be Paid Back)
  - O Scholarships (Based on academic, artistic talent, athletic skill, or extracurricular activities)
- 2. Start Personal Savings Accounts
- 3. Apply for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA) by December 1st
  - Grants (Based on Financial Need and Does Not Need to Be Paid Back)
  - Work Study
  - Student Loans (you MUST PAY Back with INTEREST!)
    - Direct Subsidized Loan (best option if offered)
    - Direct Unsubsidized Loan



#### FAFSA (Free Application For Student Aid)

#### What Information is Needed to Apply?

- 1. Legal Names (As they appear on Social Security Cards or Alien Registration Cards)
- 2. Social Security Numbers
- 3. Birthdates (For students and parents)
- 4. Marriage or Divorce Dates (Month and Year Only)
- 5. 2016 Tax Return Information, W-2, Final 2016 Check Stub
- 6. Email Address (For students and parents)
- 7. FSA ID (Parents and Students will need to register for a FSA ID at FSAID.ED.GOV, this gives you access to Federal Student Aid's online systems and can serve as your legal signature) 4

# College Application Packet MUST HAVES

- Data Storage (Flash Drive, Google Drive, Email Correspondence)
- List of Important Deadlines (use resource)
- Scanned Copy of:
  - Unofficial Transcript(s)
  - Senior Year Class Schedule
  - ACT/SAT Test Scores
  - Counselor and Teacher Recommendation
  - Fee Waiver (if eligible) See Your Counselor or College Access Advisor
- Common Application (Traditional and HBCU)



## Scholarship Resources

- College Greenlight
- GrowYourGiving.org/scholarships
- BLEI Website (KCAlphas.com)
- Scholly



# Scholarship Packet MUST HAVES

- Personal Essay
- 2 STRONG Letters of Recommendation (including contact info of recommender)
- Data Storage
- Scanned Copy of:
  - Unofficial Transcript(s)
  - Senior Year Class Schedule
  - ACT/SAT Test Scores
  - Counselor Recommendation
  - Fee Waiver (if eligible)
  - Resume or Curriculum Vitae



## Personal Essay MUST HAVES

- Make Sure That You Answer the Question
- Ask With Humble Confidence
- Explain Who You Are
- Describe Obstacles You Overcame
- Be Honest
- Have 4 People Review Your Essay
- START EARLY and MEET DEADLINES
- ASK For Help

