

## Financial Aid Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

Name of Committee: Financial Aid Advisory Committee  
Date of Meeting: **February 23, 2017**  
Time of Meeting: 9:30 a.m.  
Location: TX Higher Education Coordinating Board Headquarters  
Board Room, Room 1.160  
1200 E. Anderson Lane  
Austin, Texas 78752

### Agenda

- A. Welcome, Introductions, and Overview of Meeting – Delisa Falks, Chair
- B. Consideration of Approval of Minutes of 11/16/2016 Meeting – Delisa Falks, Chair
- C. External Relations Update – John Wyatt, Director, External Relations
- D. SFAP Department Update – Charles Puls, Deputy Assistant Commissioner
- E. Presentation: New loan software system – Leah Smalley, Assistant Director, Financial Aid Services
- F. Update from the MOU Sub-Committee – Chris Murr, Past Chair
- G. Update from the Priority Deadline Sub-Committee – Chris Murr, Past Chair
- H. Update from the Data Collection Sub-Committee and Presentation of FY18 FADS Proposal - Doris Constantine, Sub-Committee Chair and DeCha Reid, Director, Financial Aid Services
- I. Update on FAAC nomination timeline – Charles Puls, Deputy Assistant Commissioner
- J. Update on allocation timeline – Charles Puls, Deputy Assistant Commissioner
- K. Discussion: FERPA's impact on disclosing loan information – Delisa Falks, Chair
- L. Discussion: 4-year extension of FAAC – Delisa Falks, Chair
- M. Adjournment – Delisa Falks, Chair

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**Financial Aid Advisory Committee**  
**Financial Aid Priority Deadline Subcommittee**  
**Supporting Data and Recommendation**  
*Final Meeting - February 8, 2017*

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**Members:** Zelma DeLeon, Delisa Falks, Jeannie Gage, Lesa Moller, Christopher Murr (Chair), Kara Tappendorf, Diane Todd-Sprague and Anne Walker.

**Charge:** Within the context of the new FAFSA availability date, assess the need for and, based on that assessment, make any recommendations as appropriate for changing the state's financial aid priority deadline.

**Recommendation:** Move the state's priority financial aid deadline to January 15<sup>th</sup> (prior to the start of the relevant academic year).

**Attachments:**

- Attachments A – *2016-2017 and 2017-2018 Undergraduate FAFSA Comparisons*
- Attachment B – *State Aid Deadlines And How They Shifted Under Early FAFSA*
- Attachment C – *2017-2018 FAFSA Deadlines*
- Attachment D – *Proposed Priority Deadline of Institutions of Higher Education*

**Attachment A-1**

**2016-2017 and 2017-2018  
Undergraduate FAFSA Comparisons**

Sum of 3 Schools That Responded

EFC Range	As of January 1, 2017 2017-2018 FAFSA				As of April 1, 2016 2016-2017 FAFSA	
	Number	Percentage of Total	Difference from 2016-2017	Percentage Change from 2016-2017	Number	Percentage of Total
Pell Eligible	77,905	51.8%	12,021	18.2%	65,884	50.0%
> Pell Eligible - \$10,000	14,121	9.4%	-189	-1.3%	14,310	10.9%
\$10,001 - \$20,000	18,536	12.3%	1,482	8.7%	17,054	13.0%
\$20,001 - \$30,000	12,525	8.3%	1,545	14.1%	10,980	8.3%
\$30,001 - \$40,000	7,522	5.0%	766	11.3%	6,756	5.1%
\$40,001 - \$50,000	4,826	3.2%	480	11.0%	4,346	3.3%
\$50,001 - \$60,000	3,199	2.1%	281	9.6%	2,918	2.2%
> \$60,000	11,640	7.8%	2,186	23.1%	9,454	7.2%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>150,274</b>	<b>99.9%</b>	<b>18,572</b>	<b>14.1%</b>	<b>131,702</b>	<b>100%</b>

Sums based upon data from University of Texas at Austin, Texas A&M University and Texas State University.

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**2016-2017 and 2017-2018  
Undergraduate FAFSA Comparisons**

University of Texas at Austin

EFC Range	As of January 1, 2017 2017-2018 FAFSA			
	Number	Percentage of Total	Difference from 2016-2017	Percentage Change from 2016-2017
Pell Eligible	27,224	48.0%	5,718	26.6%
> Pell Eligible - \$10,000	5,246	9.3%	59	1.1%
\$10,001 - \$20,000	6,847	12.1%	997	17.0%
\$20,001 - \$30,000	4,833	8.5%	914	23.3%
\$30,001 - \$40,000	3,044	5.4%	451	17.4%
\$40,001 - \$50,000	2,074	3.7%	269	14.9%
\$50,001 - \$60,000	1,425	2.5%	134	10.4%
> \$60,000	5,973	10.5%	1,124	23.2%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>56,666</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>9,666</b>	<b>20.6%</b>

As of April 1, 2016 2016-2017 FAFSA	
Number	Percentage of Total
21,506	45.8%
5,187	11.0%
5,850	12.5%
3,919	8.3%
2,593	5.5%
1,805	3.8%
1,291	2.8%
4,849	10.3%
<b>47,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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**2016-2017 and 2017-2018  
Undergraduate FAFSA Comparisons**

Texas A&M University

EFC Range	As of January 1, 2017 2017-2018 FAFSA			
	Number	Percentage of Total	Difference from 2016-2017	Percentage Change from 2016-2017
Pell Eligible	25,516	48.5%	4,923	23.9%
> Pell Eligible - \$10,000	4,745	9.0%	62	1.3%
\$10,001 - \$20,000	6,842	13.0%	281	4.3%
\$20,001 - \$30,000	4,842	9.2%	428	9.7%
\$30,001 - \$40,000	3,031	5.8%	200	7.1%
\$40,001 - \$50,000	1,928	3.7%	126	7.0%
\$50,001 - \$60,000	1,252	2.4%	36	3.0%
> \$60,000	4,450	8.5%	769	20.9%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>52,606</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>6,825</b>	<b>14.9%</b>

As of April 1, 2016 2016-2017 FAFSA	
Number	Percentage of Total
20,593	45.0%
4,683	10.2%
6,561	14.3%
4,414	9.6%
2,831	6.2%
1,802	3.9%
1,216	2.7%
3,681	8.0%
<b>45,781</b>	<b>99.9%</b>

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**2016-2017 and 2017-2018  
Undergraduate FAFSA Comparisons**

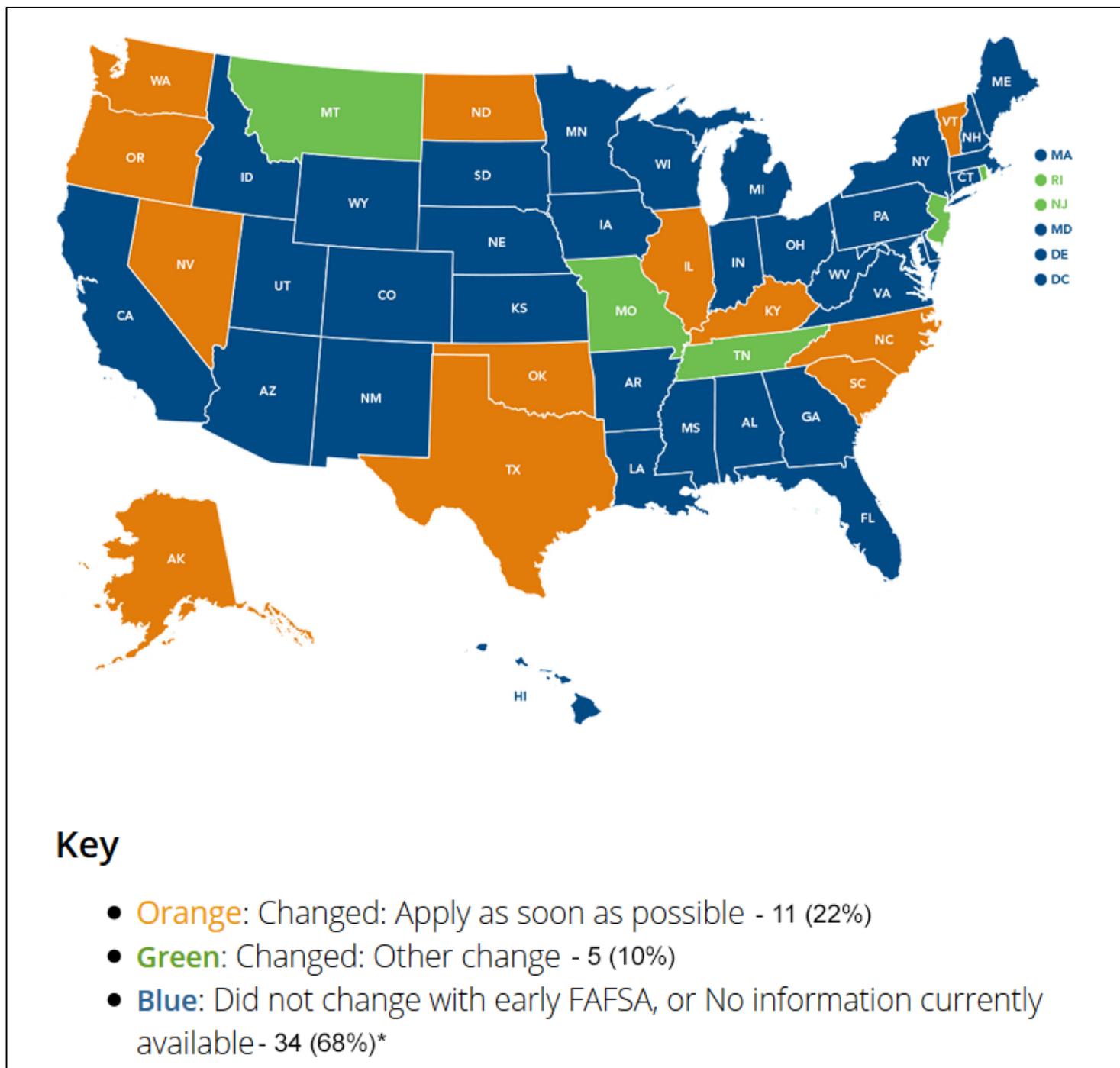
Texas State University

EFC Range	As of January 1, 2017 2017-2018 FAFSA			
	Number	Percentage of Total	Difference from 2016-2017	Percentage Change from 2016-2017
Pell Eligible	25,165	61.4%	1,380	5.8%
> Pell Eligible - \$10,000	4,130	10.1%	(310)	-7.0%
\$10,001 - \$20,000	4,847	11.8%	204	4.4%
\$20,001 - \$30,000	2,850	7.0%	203	7.7%
\$30,001 - \$40,000	1,447	3.5%	115	8.6%
\$40,001 - \$50,000	824	2.0%	85	11.5%
\$50,001 - \$60,000	522	1.3%	111	27.0%
> \$60,000	1,217	3.0%	293	31.7%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>41,002</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,081</b>	<b>5.3%</b>

As of April 1, 2016 2016-2017 FAFSA	
Number	Percentage of Total
23,785	61.1%
4,440	11.4%
4,643	11.9%
2,647	6.8%
1,332	3.4%
739	1.9%
411	1.1%
924	2.4%
<b>38,921</b>	<b>100%</b>

## Attachment B

### State Aid Deadlines and How They Shifted Under Early FAFSA



\* Of the 34, 13 (38.2%) do not appear to have any state mandated priority deadline – see Attachment C.  
Note: Though Texas was indicated on the map as Orange (Changed), it was considered as Blue (Did Not Change) for the above calculations since Texas did not change its Financial Aid Priority Deadline.  
Source: National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators ([www.nasfaa.org/early\\_fafsa\\_map](http://www.nasfaa.org/early_fafsa_map)).

## Attachment C

# 2017-2018 FAFSA® Deadlines

### Federal Deadline:

Online applications must be submitted by midnight Central Time, June 30, 2018.

Any corrections or updates must be submitted by midnight Central Time, September 15, 2018.

### State Deadlines:

Each state has a different deadline. See the listing below.

### College Deadlines:

Each college may have a different deadline. Check with the college(s) you are interested in attending. You may also want to ask your college about its definition of an application deadline – whether it is the date the college receives your FAFSA, or the date your FAFSA is processed.

State	Deadlines
Alabama	Check with your financial aid administrator.
Alaska	Alaska Performance Scholarship – June 30, 2017. For priority consideration, submit application by date specified. Awards made until funds are depleted. Alaska Education Grant – As early as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
American Samoa	Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
Arizona	Check with your financial aid administrator.
Arkansas	Academic Challenge – June 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. Workforce Grant – Check with your financial aid administrator. Higher Education Opportunity Grant – June 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time.
California	For many state financial aid programs – March 2, 2017 (date postmarked). Cal Grant also requires submission of a school certified GPA by March 2, 2017. Applicants are encouraged to obtain proof of mailing their GPA and to retain a copy of their GPA form. For additional community college Cal Grants – September 2, 2017 (date postmarked). If you are a non-citizen holding a Social Security card issued through Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) or for some other work authorization, you should fill out the California Dream Act Application found at <a href="http://www.caldreamact.org">www.caldreamact.org</a> . Do NOT fill out a FAFSA. Contact the California Student Aid Commission ( <a href="http://www.csac.ca.gov">www.csac.ca.gov</a> ) or your financial aid administrator for more information. Additional forms may be required. Applicants encouraged to keep a record of their submission by printing out their online FAFSA confirmation page or obtaining proof of mailing the FAFSA.
Colorado	Check with your financial aid administrator.
Connecticut	February 15, 2017, by midnight, Central Time. For priority consideration, submit application by date specified. Additional forms may be required. Contact your financial aid administrator or your state agency.
Delaware	April 15, 2017 by midnight, Central Time.
District of Columbia	FAFSA completed by May 1, 2017. For DCTAG, complete the DC OneApp and submit supporting documents by May 31, 2017.
Federated States of Micronesia	Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
Florida	May 15, 2017 (date processed)
Georgia	Check with your financial aid administrator.
Guam	Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
Hawaii	Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
Idaho	Opportunity Grant – March 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. For priority consideration, submit application by date specified. Additional forms may be required. <a href="#">Contact your financial aid administrator or your state agency.</a>
Illinois	As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
Indiana	March 10, 2017 by midnight, Central Time.
Iowa	July 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. Earlier priority deadlines may exist for certain programs. Additional forms may be required.
Kansas	April 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. For priority consideration, submit application by date specified. Additional forms may be required. Contact your financial aid administrator or your state agency.
Kentucky	As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
Louisiana	July 1, 2018 (July 1, 2017 recommended)
Maine	May 1, 2017, by midnight, Central Time.
Marshall Islands	Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
Maryland	March 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time.

<b>State</b>	<b>Deadlines</b>
Massachusetts	May 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. For priority consideration, submit application by date specified.
Michigan	March 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time.
Minnesota	30 days after term starts, by midnight, Central Time.
Mississippi	MTAG and MESH Grants – September 15, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. HELP Scholarship – March 31, 2017 by midnight, Central Time.
Missouri	February 1, 2017. For priority consideration, submit application by date specified. Applications received through April 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. Awards made until funds are depleted.
<b>Montana</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.</b>
N. Mariana Islands	Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
<b>Nebraska</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator.</b>
Nevada	Silver State Opportunity Grant – As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted. <b>All other aid – Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.</b>
<b>New Hampshire</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.</b>
New Jersey	2016-2017 Tuition Aid Grant recipients – April 15, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. All other applicants - September 15, 2017 by midnight, Central Time, for fall & spring terms; - February 15, 2018 by midnight, Central Time, for spring term only.
<b>New Mexico</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator.</b>
New York	June 30, 2018 by midnight, Central Time. Additional forms may be required.
North Carolina	As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
North Dakota	As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
Ohio	October 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time.
Oklahoma	As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
Oregon	OSAC Private Scholarships – March 1, 2017. Additional forms may be required. Oregon Promise Grant – Fall term, April 1, 2017, by midnight, Central Time; other terms, contact state agency. Additional forms may be required. Awards made until funds are depleted. Oregon Opportunity Grant – As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
Palau	Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
Pennsylvania	All first-time applicants enrolled in a: community college; business/trade/technical school; hospital school of nursing; designated Pennsylvania Open-Admission institution; or non-transferable two-year program – August 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. All other applicants – May 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. Additional forms may be required.
Puerto Rico	Check with your financial aid administrator.
<b>Rhode Island</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.</b>
South Carolina	Tuition Grants – June 30, 2017 by midnight, Central Time. SC Commission on Higher Education Need-based Grants – As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
<b>South Dakota</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.</b>
Tennessee	State Grant – January 17, 2017. Eligible prior-year recipients receive priority, and all other awards made to neediest applicants until funds are depleted. Tennessee Promise – January 17, 2017 State Lottery – Fall term, September 1, 2017 by midnight, Central Time; spring & summer terms, February 1, 2018 by midnight, Central Time.
Texas	As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Texas public colleges – March 15, 2017. For priority consideration, submit application by date specified. Texas private colleges – Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
U.S. Virgin Islands	Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.
<b>Utah</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator.</b>
Vermont	As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted. Additional forms may be required.
<b>Virginia</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.</b>
Washington	As soon as possible after October 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.
West Virginia	PROMISE Scholarship – March 1, 2017. New applicants must submit additional application at <a href="http://www.cfww.com">www.cfww.com</a> . Contact your financial aid administrator or your state agency. WV Higher Education Grant Program – April 15, 2017.
<b>Wisconsin</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator.</b>
<b>Wyoming</b>	<b>Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required.</b>

## Attachment D

### Proposed Priority Deadline of Institutions of Higher Education

Question posed: "What date do you recommend the State change their financial aid priority deadline to and why?"

Proposed Priority Deadline of Institutions of Higher Education N = 28		
Month*	Institutions Proposing	Percentage
December	7	25%
January	4	14.3%
February	7	25%
March	4	14.23%
No Recommendation	6	21.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Earliest proposed date when a date range was provided.