State Financial Aid Webcast

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Topics of Discussion

- Grant Programs: Award Amounts
- Financial Aid Database (FAD) Updates
- Loan Delinquency Reports
- Internet Browser Updates
- Net Price Calculator (NPC) Demo
- Reminders and Training

TEXAS Grant and TEOG FY 2022 Award Amounts

Type of Institution	TEXAS Grant	TEXAS Grant Target Amount	TEOG
Public Universities & Health Related-Institutes	$5,195/semester	$2,500/semester	-
Public State Colleges	-	-	$2,143/semester
Public Technical Institutes	-	-	$3,238/semester
Public Community Colleges	-	-	$1,711/semester

The calculated priority EFC for 2021-2022 is $6,234.

TEG Award Amounts – FY2022 **and** FY2023

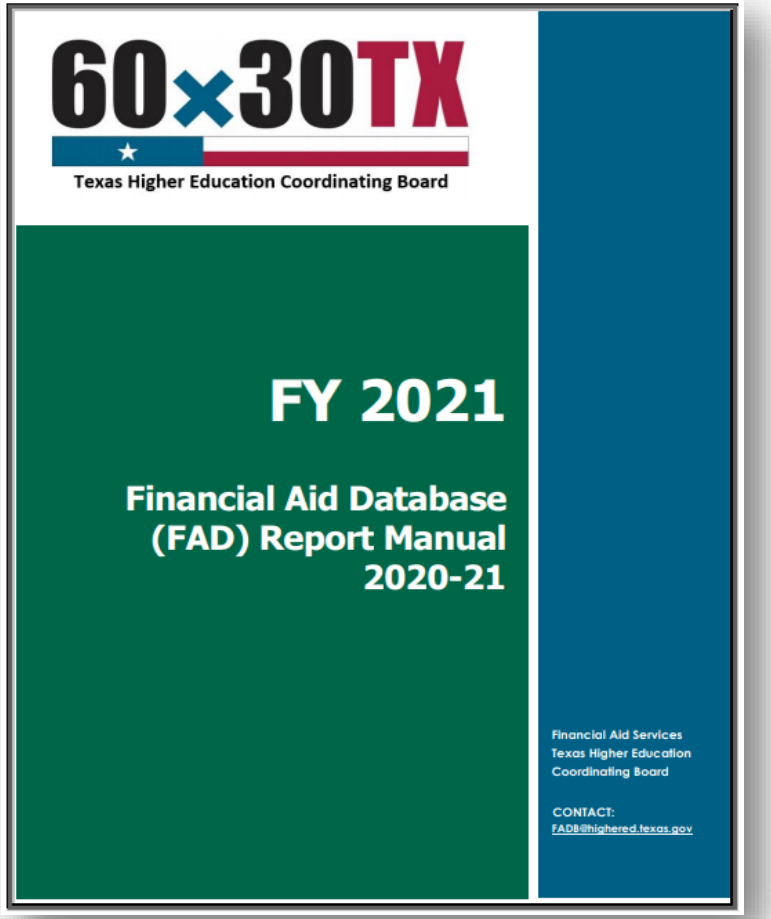
Type of Institution	TEG Maximum Award	Exceptional TEG Need Maximum Award (Undergraduate Only)
Private Universities/ Independent Colleges	$3,497	$5,246

Institutions can award undergraduate students with Exceptional TEG Need (defined as students with an EFC less than or equal to $1,000) up to 150% of the basic award ($3,497 x 150% = $5,246), not to exceed the student's need or tuition differential.

FY 2021 FAD Updates

- FAD Cycle One – Opened March 3, 2021
  - Reminder – reconciliation is not required
- Revised FAD Manual changes:
  - The ministry-related degree (#56) and athletic grants/scholarships (#64) edits to TEG, TCWS and WSMP were **Added;**
  - The TEG edit check in ministry-related degree (#56) and athletic grants/scholarships (#64) (to follow TCWS and WSMP) **Removed.**

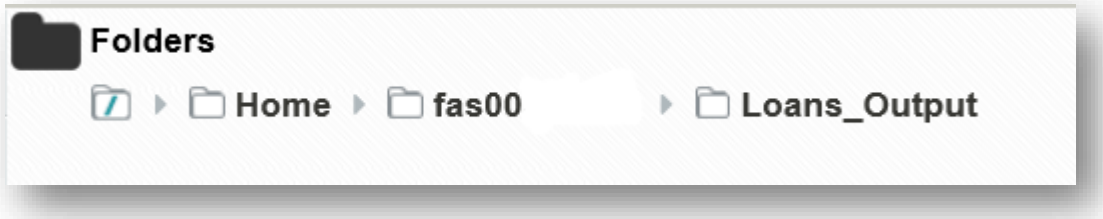
Note: State GEER funds must be reported on the FAD.



Loan Delinquency Reports

- Effective Jan. 2021
  - Cumulative Loan Delinquency Report = **Reinstated**

- Effective Feb. 2021
  - Monthly Change Report = **Added**

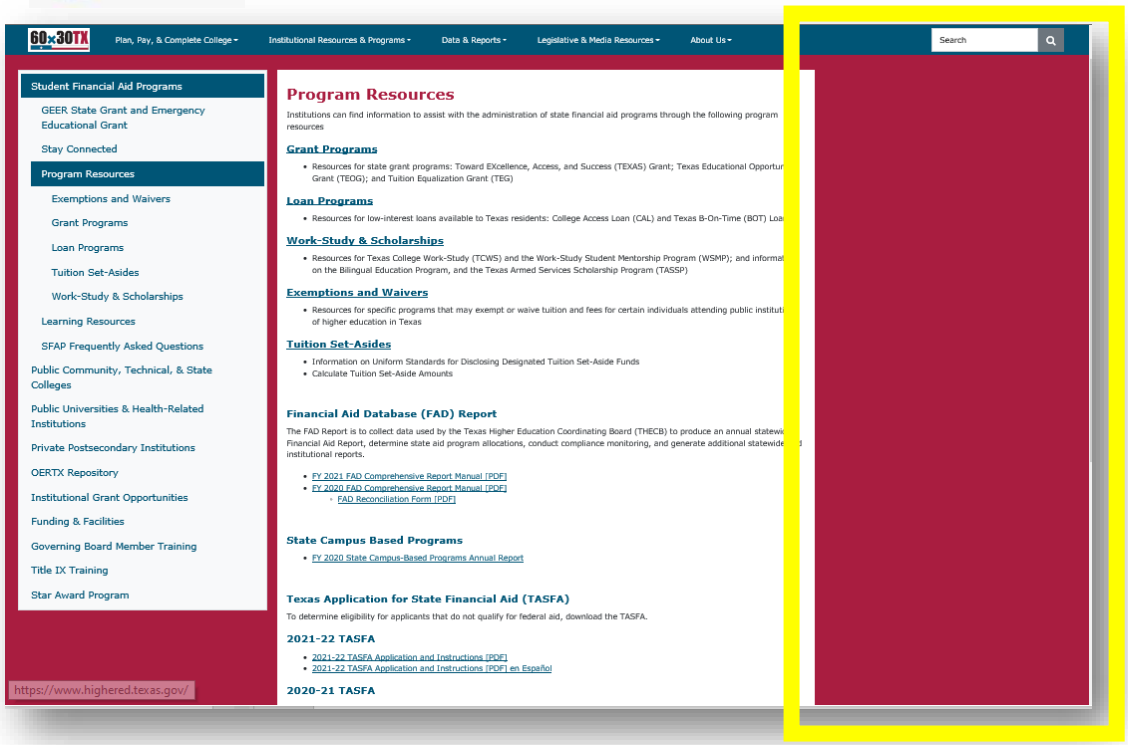


Loan reports are uploaded into the institutions **Loan_Output** folder in MOVEit DMZ.

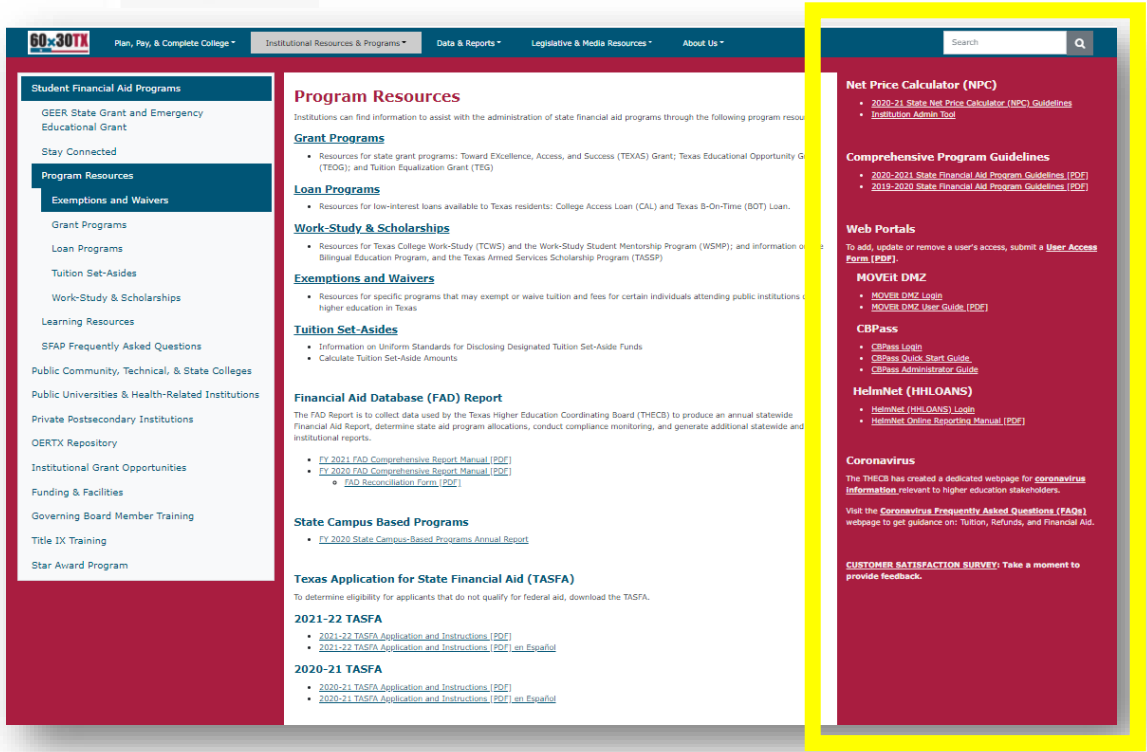
Reminder: Participating institutions should **NOT** be placing students on an **Academic Hold** related to a THECB delinquency. This practice was discontinued on Nov. 1, 2019.

Discontinuation of Internet Explorer (IE)

Internet Explorer Browser



Chrome/Edge Browser



Net Price Calculator Update

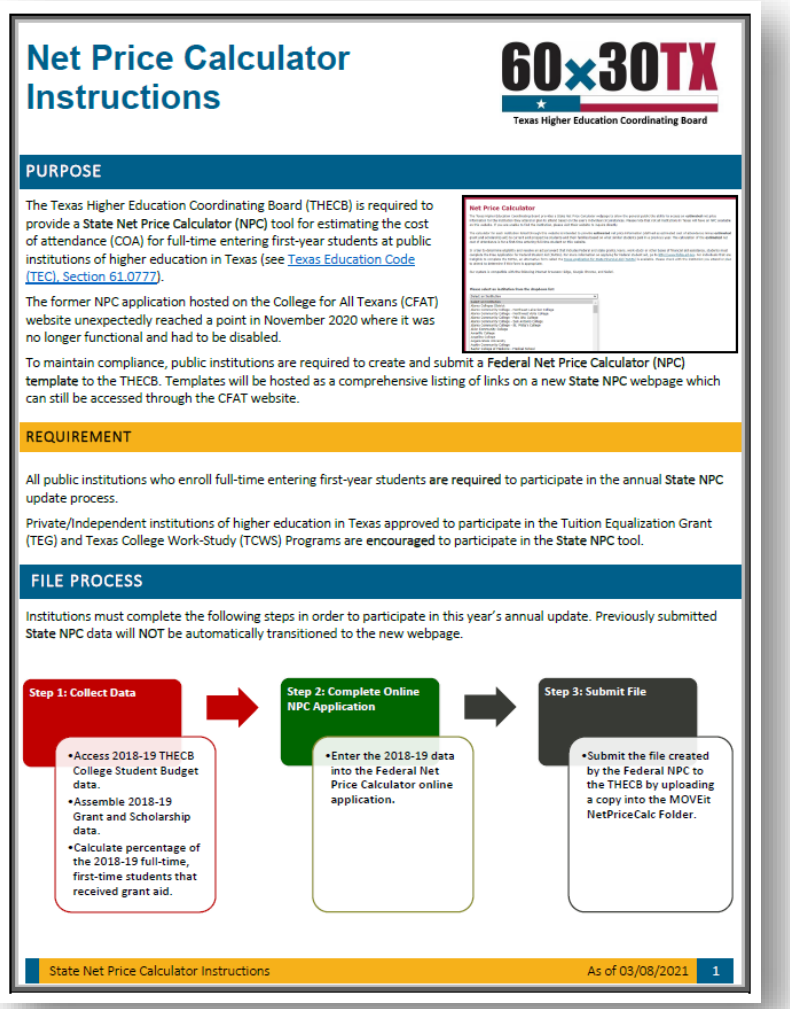
Net Price Calculator (NPC) Instructions

Memo sent **Mar. 9, 2021**.

- **Issue:** The former NPC application unexpectedly reached a point in November 2020 where it was no longer functional and had to be disabled.

- **Solution:** Public institutions are **required** to create and submit a Federal Net Price Calculator (NPC) template to the THECB to maintain compliance with state and federal statutes.

Deadline Apr. 16, 2021



Net Price Calculator Instructions

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PURPOSE

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) is required to provide a **State Net Price Calculator (NPC)** tool for estimating the cost of attendance (COA) for full-time entering first-year students at public institutions of higher education in Texas (see Texas Education Code (TEC), Section 61.0777).

The former NPC application hosted on the College for All Texans (CFAT) website unexpectedly reached a point in November 2020 where it was no longer functional and had to be disabled.

To maintain compliance, public institutions are required to create and submit a **Federal Net Price Calculator (NPC) template** to the THECB. Templates will be hosted as a comprehensive listing of links on a new **State NPC** webpage which can still be accessed through the CFAT website.

REQUIREMENT

All public institutions who enroll full-time entering first-year students **are required** to participate in the annual **State NPC** update process.

Private/Independent institutions of higher education in Texas approved to participate in the Tuition Equalization Grant (TEG) and Texas College Work-Study (TCWS) Programs are **encouraged** to participate in the **State NPC** tool.

FILE PROCESS

Institutions must complete the following steps in order to participate in this year's annual update. Previously submitted **State NPC** data will **NOT** be automatically transitioned to the new webpage.

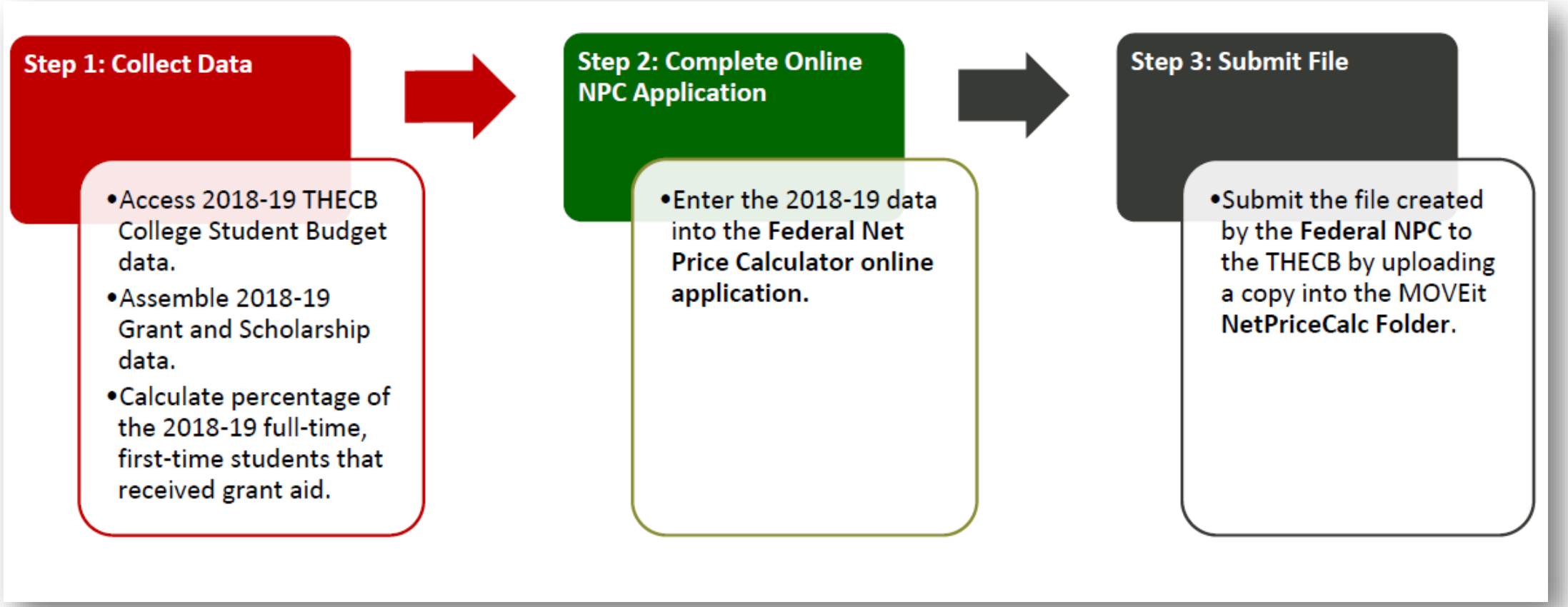
Step 1: Collect Data
- Access 2018-19 THECB College Student Budget data.
- Assemble 2018-19 Grant and Scholarship data.
- Calculate percentage of the 2018-19 full-time, first-time students that received grant aid.

Step 2: Complete Online NPC Application
- Enter the 2018-19 data into the Federal Net Price Calculator online application.

Step 3: Submit File
- Submit the file created by the Federal NPC to the THECB by uploading a copy into the MOVEit NetPriceCalc Folder.

State Net Price Calculator Instructions As of 03/08/2021 1

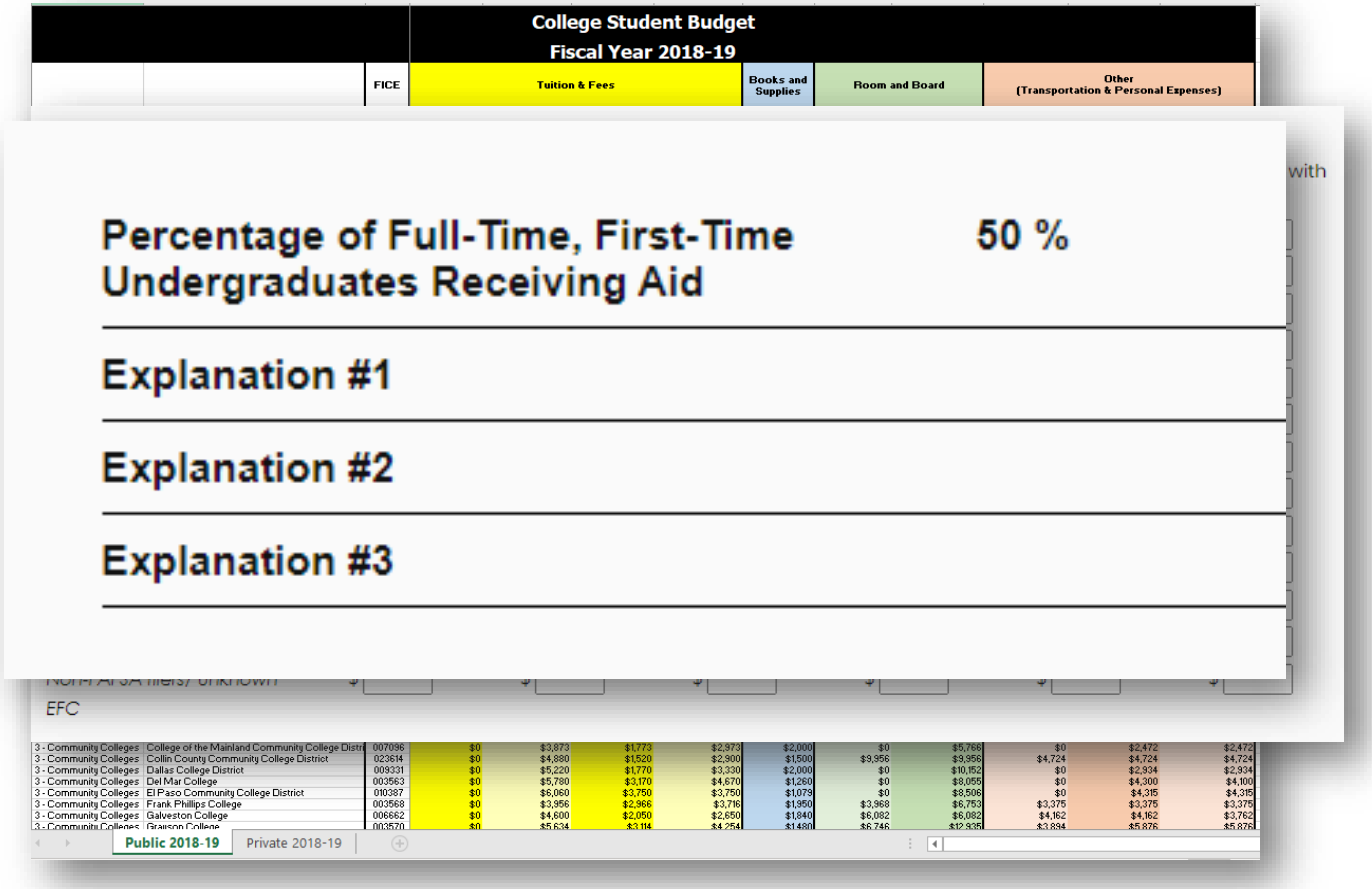
NPC Update Process



Step 1: Collect Data

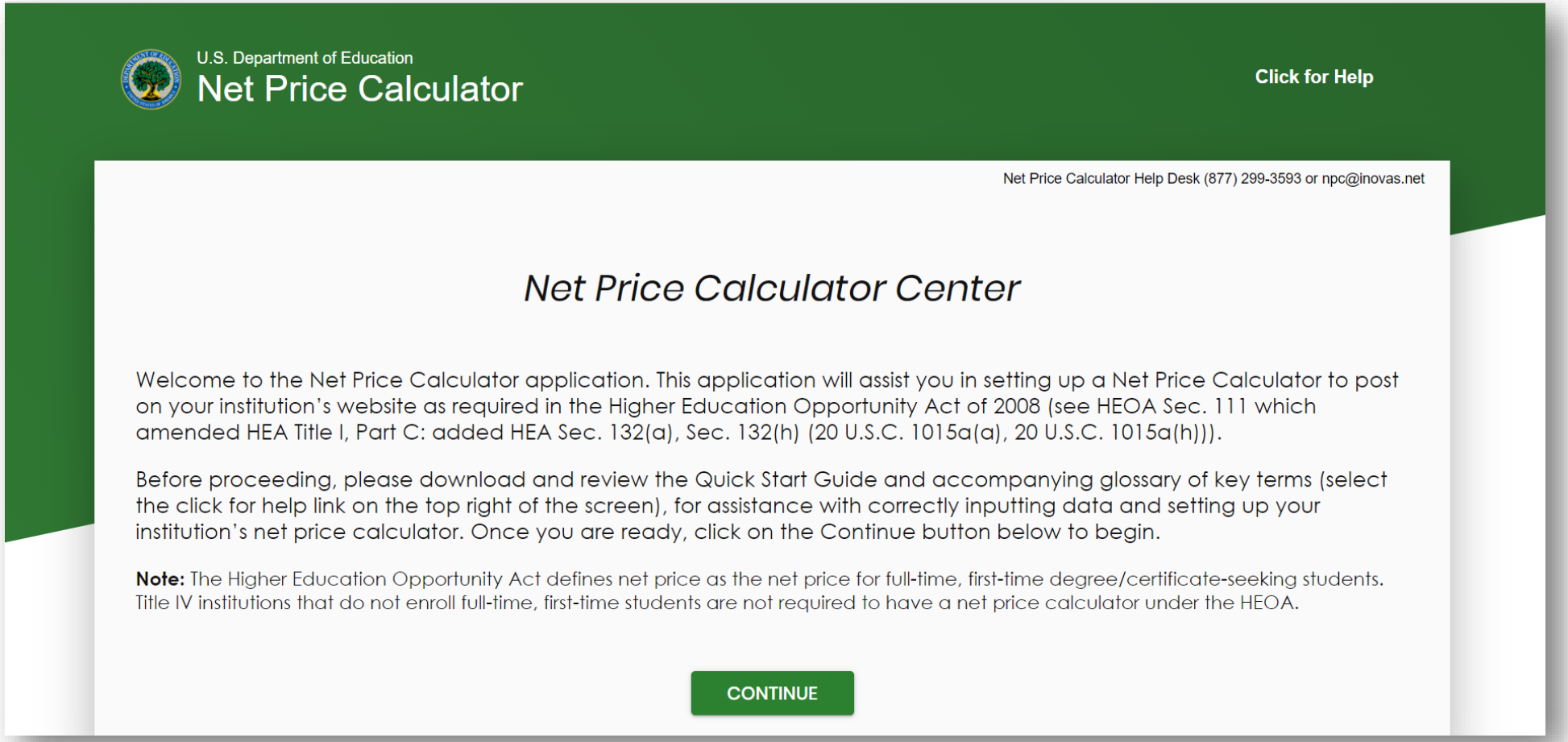
Collect the required **2018-19** data:

- College Student Budgets provided by the THECB
- Estimated grant and scholarship aid
- Percentage of grant recipients



NOTE: The Federal NPC requirements do NOT allow totals to include other forms of financial aid such as loans, exemptions, waivers, work-study or private resources.

Step 2: Complete Online NPC - Demo



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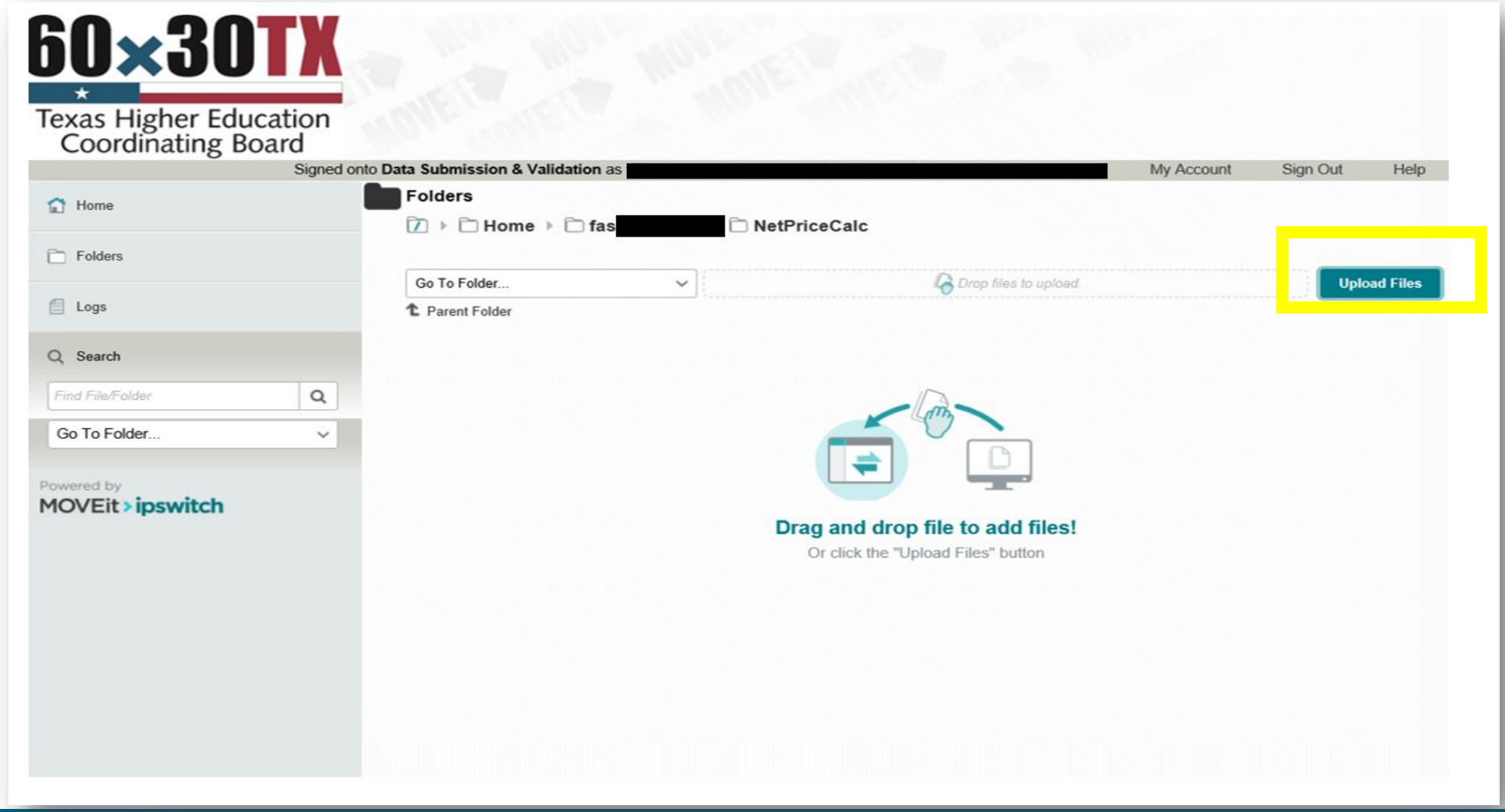

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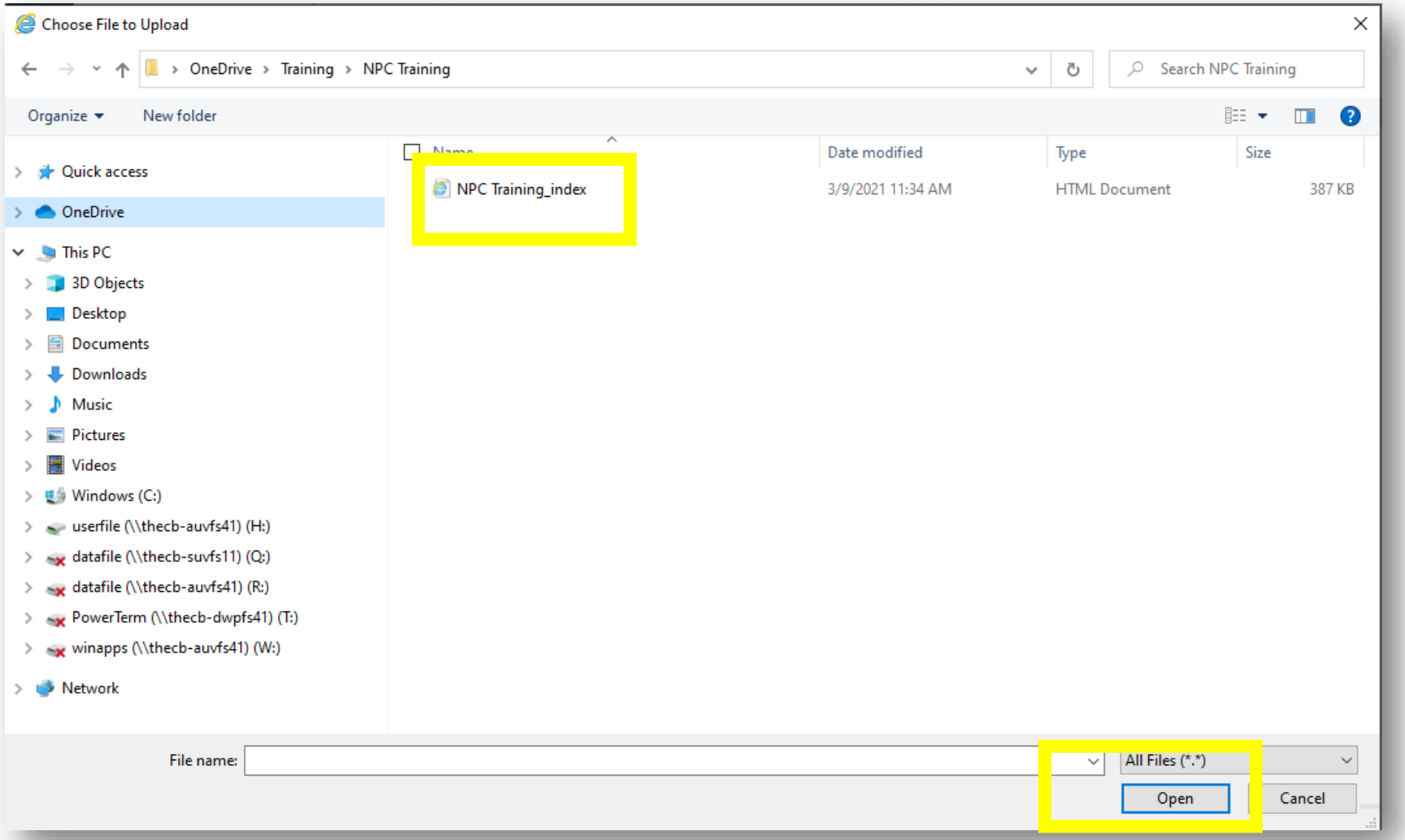

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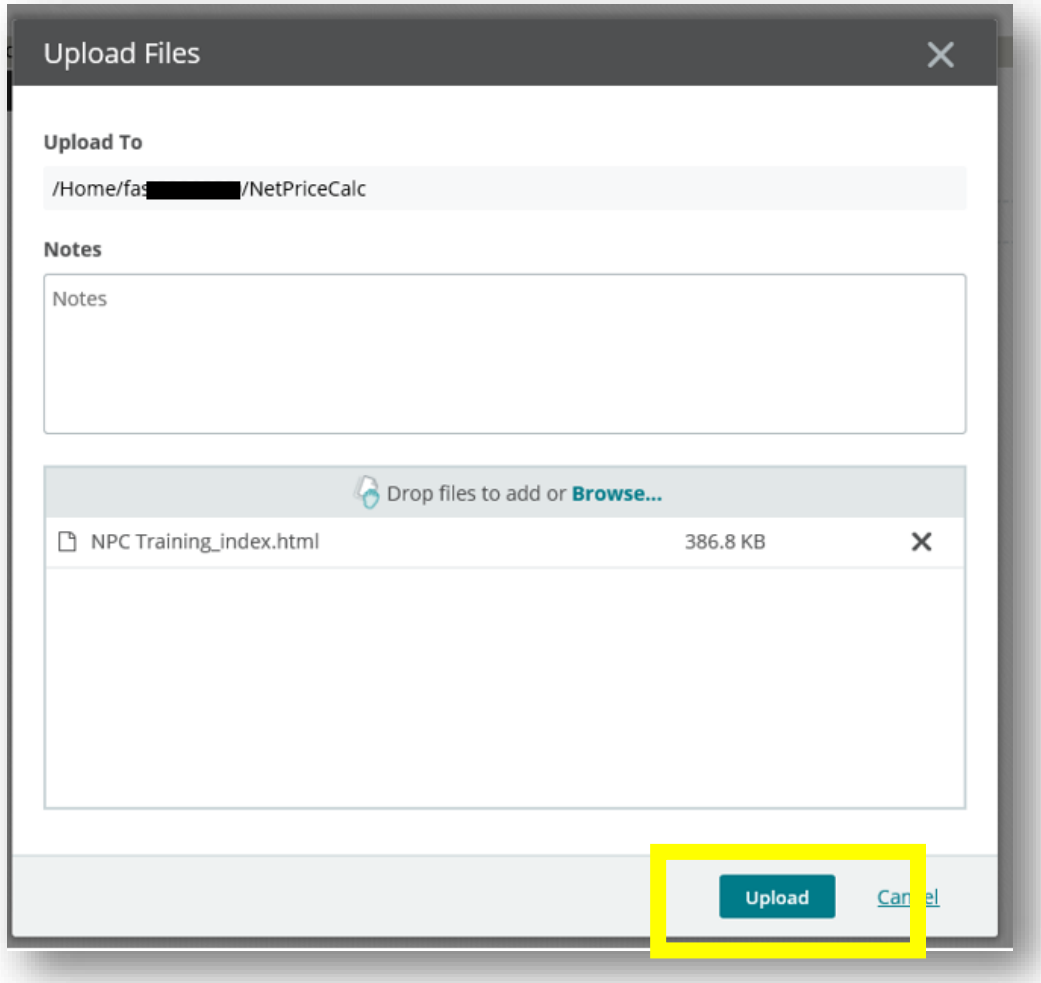
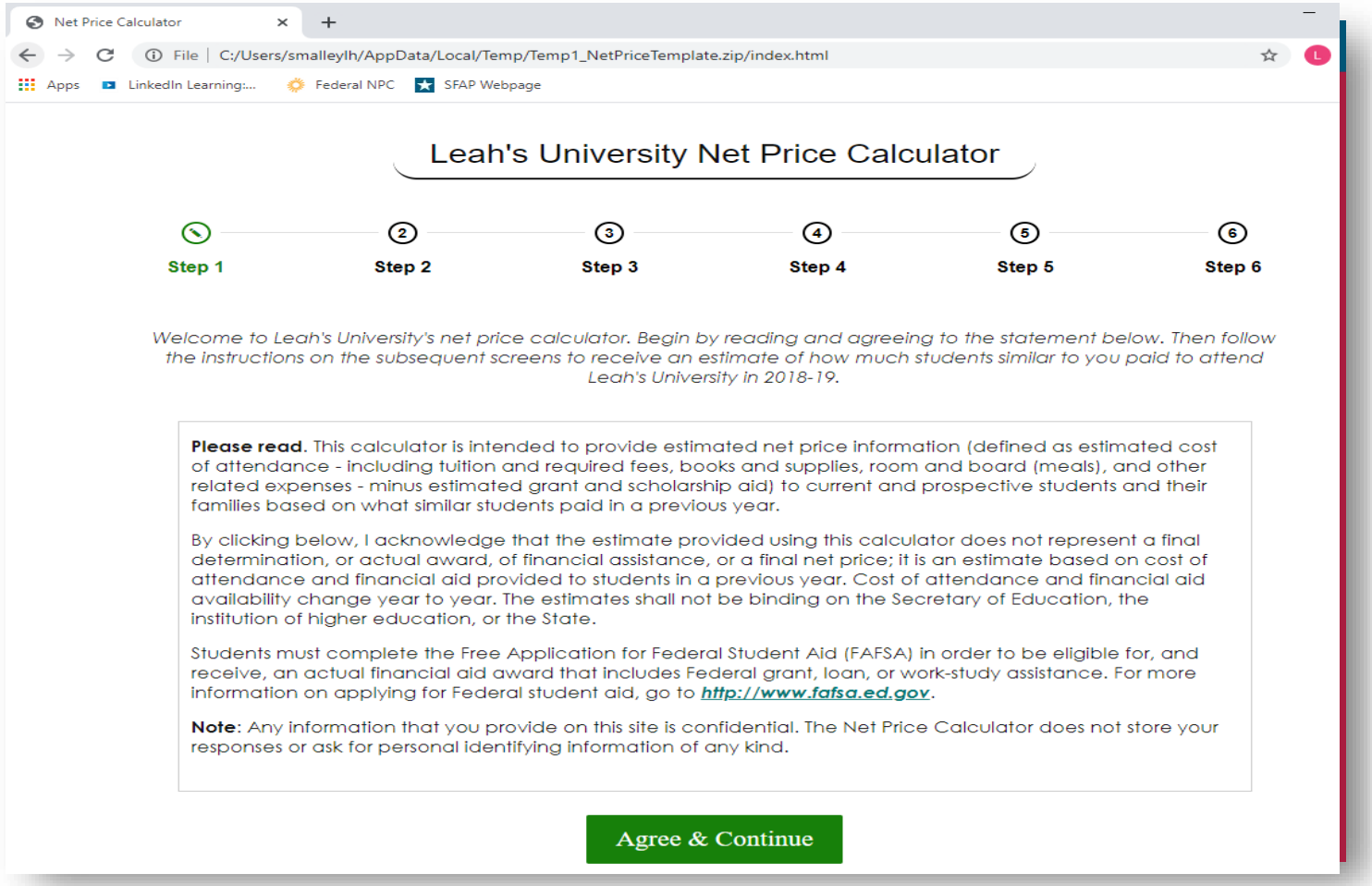


New NPC Webpage

- Templates submitted by institutions will be hosted as a comprehensive listing of links on a new State NPC webpage.
- A message will be displayed for the user if data is not available.



NOTE: Users can access the state NPC through the CFAT website and will be automatically rerouted to the new webpage.

Reminders and Training

Reminders

Texas College Work-Study (TCWS) Summer Awarding

- Funds must be expended by **Aug. 31**
- Requests to transfer TCWS/WSMP funds to a Grant (TEXAS Grant, TEOG, or TEG) must be sent through CONTACT US by **Jul. 1**

State Financial Aid Programs Opt-In/Out Survey

- Deadline **Mar. 12**

Good Neighbor Program (GNP) Nominations

- Deadline **Mar. 15**

Training

- **TASFAA Regional Training**
  - March 10
  - March 17
  - March 24
- **Webcast**
  - April 13

Contacting Student Financial Aid Programs

The following phone lines are *now available!*

- Texas Financial Aid Information Center
  - Public: (888) 311-8881
- Borrower Services
  - Student Borrowers (Cosigners): (800) 242-3062

Phonelines –
Hours of Operation:
Mon-Fri
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
(Closed 12-1 daily)

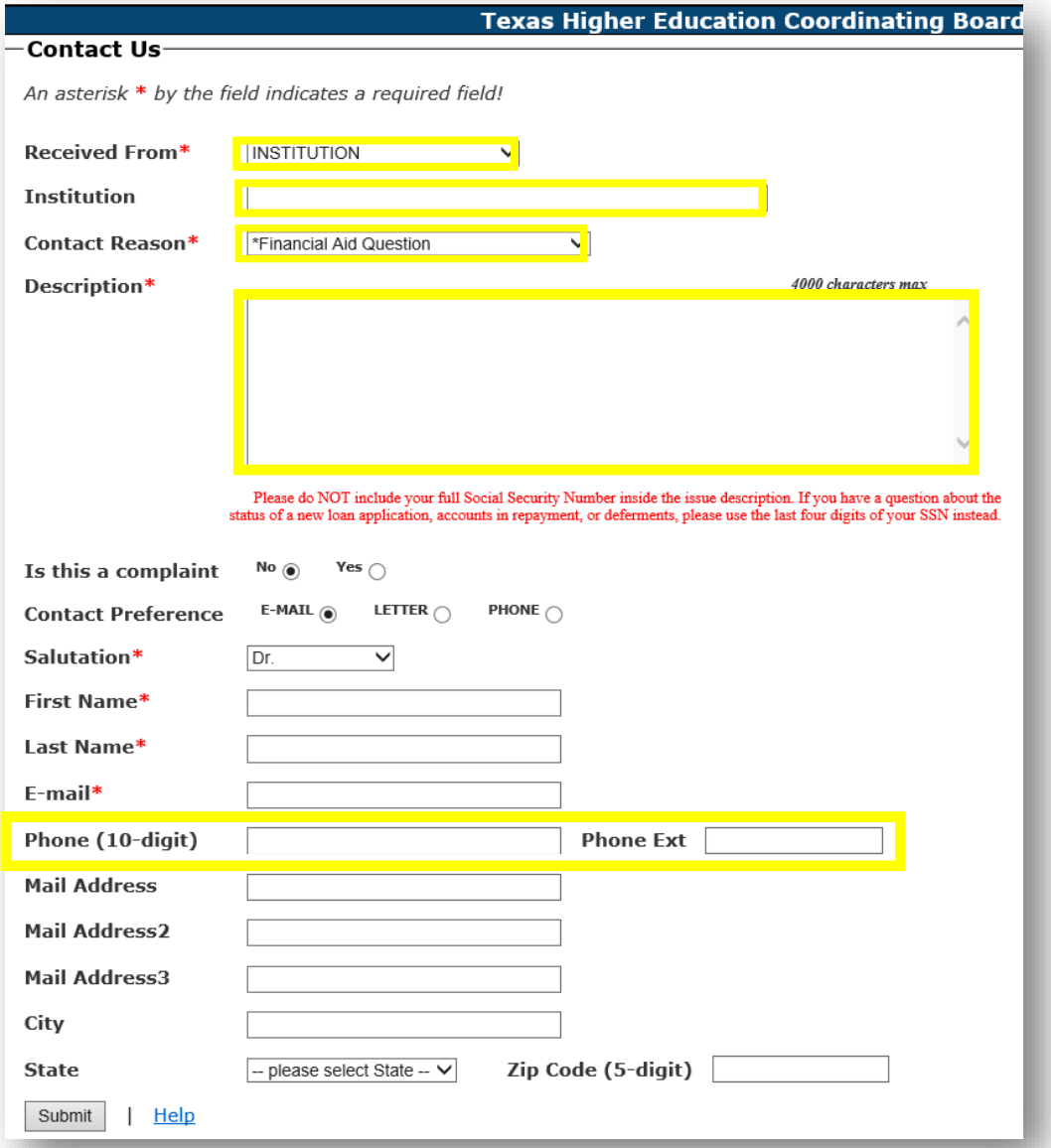
Contact Financial Aid Services in one of the following ways:

- FAS Institutional Phone Line
  - Institutions Only: (844) 792-2640
- Submit inquiries online through the CONTACT US web form at any time.

Submitting a CONTACT US

To ensure inquiries are routed correctly, complete these steps:

- Select "**Institution**" in Received From box
- Enter the institution's full name
- Always select "**Financial Aid Question**" as the Contact Reason
- Provide the best **direct phone number**



Survey and Feedback

Webcast Survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/58YRM92

Contact Us: https://www1.highered.texas.gov/Apps/CRAFT/Home/Create
(Select "Financial Aid Question" as the Contact Reason.)

QUESTIONS