

## Now is the time to reapply for financial aid!!

You must complete a new **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) each year beginning in October for the Fall enrollment. Financial Aid Workshops are now available to assist you with completing the **2018-19 and 2019-20 FAFSA**.

### WHAT'S DIFFERENT ABOUT THE 2018-19 FAFSA?

Starting with the 2018-19 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the following changes have been put in place:

- **Students are now able to submit a FAFSA earlier.** Students have been able to file a 2018-19 FAFSA since Oct. 1, 2017, rather than beginning on Jan. 1, 2018. This gives students more time to complete the FAFSA, and potentially more time to compare aid offers from colleges.

FAFSA Needed	Semester Attending	FAFSA Available	Use Federal Tax Form
2018-2019	Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019	October 1, 2017	2016
2019-2020	Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Summer 2020	October 1, 2018	2017

STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE POLK STATE FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOPS MUST BRING THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

**1. Your student/spouse federal tax return (if available)**

**2. Your parents' federal tax return, Social Security number(s) and date(s) of birth unless:**

- You were born before January 1, 1995 (2018-19) or before January 1, 1994 (2017-18)
- You are married
- You are an orphan/ward of the court, or emancipated minor
- You have legal custody of a child who received more than half of his/her support from you in 2016
- You are a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces
- You are or were deemed under legal guardianship by the court
- You are an unaccompanied or homeless youth. (Please see Step Three on the FAFSA for the exact definition of these circumstances, or contact our office)

**3. Your total untaxed income received**

If you, or your spouse, or parents (if applicable) received any untaxed income, such as child support, funds given to you or paid on your behalf, disability, workers' compensation, veterans' benefits, etc., you must report it on the financial aid application.

**4. Please bring your Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID. FSA IDs can be created at [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)**

### ATTEND ONE OF OUR FAFSA WORKSHOPS FOR ASSISTANCE!

#### August 2018

**Lakeland**  
LTB 1154 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Tues: 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28

**Lake Wales JDA**  
JDA 213 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Wed: 8/01, 8/08, 8/15, 8/22, 8/29

**Winter Haven**  
WLR 243 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Thurs: 8/02, 8/09, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30

#### September 2018

**Lakeland**  
LTB 1154 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Tues: 9/04, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25

**Lake Wales JDA**  
JDA 213 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Wed: 9/05, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26

**Winter Haven**  
WLR 243 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Thurs: 9/06, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27

#### October 2018

**Lakeland**  
LTB 1154 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Tues: 10/02, 10/09, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30

**Lake Wales JDA**  
JDA 213 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Wed: 10/03, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31

**Winter Haven**  
WLR 243 | 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Thurs: 10/04, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25

**If you have any questions, please contact the Polk State College Office of Student Financial Services at 863.297.1004 or [financialaid@polk.edu](mailto:financialaid@polk.edu).**

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