



NORTH DAKOTA FAFSA UPDATE

APRIL 2025



UNDERSTANDING YOUR FAFSA STATUS

It's important for students to understand the different FAFSA statuses to determine if any action is needed.

The FAFSA status appears on the StudentAid.gov dashboard and could be one of the following:

- **Draft:** Your section of the FAFSA form is incomplete.
- **In Progress:** You provided your consent, approval, and signature to the FAFSA form, but the FAFSA form has not been submitted yet.
- **In Review:** The FAFSA form was submitted but not processed yet.
- **Action Required:** You are missing your consent and approval or signature; or the FAFSA form was processed, but a correction is required.
- **Processed:** Your application was processed successfully. No further action is needed.
- **Closed:** Your FAFSA form was never submitted and can no longer be submitted because the federal FAFSA deadline passed.

2025-26 FAFSA COMPLETION CONTINUES TO INCREASE

North Dakota high school seniors continue to complete the FAFSA at an increasing rate. North Dakota has had 3,162 seniors complete the 2025-26 FAFSA as of March 21, a 5.4 percent increase compared to the same period a year ago.

According to the National College Attainment Network (NCAN) FAFSA Tracker, 32.4 percent of the North Dakota high school class of 2025 have completed a FAFSA.

Currently, North Dakota ranks 45th among all states in the percentage of students completing the FAFSA. Nationally, 41.9 percent of students in the high school class of 2025 have completed a FAFSA.

SAVE THE DATE! WEBINAR PLANNED FOR LATE APRIL

Mapping Your Future's "Four Components of a Successful Scholarship Strategy" webinar will address tips and techniques for applying for scholarships. This webinar will be offered on:

- [April 21 at 6:00 p.m. Central](#)
- [April 22 at 10:00 a.m. Central](#)

Click on the link above to register for the webinar you plan to attend. If you have questions or need more information, contact the Mapping Your Future staff at feedback@mappingyourfuture.org or (800) 374-4072.

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