Quick tips to complete the **ORSAA**
Oregon Student Aid Application

Use a permanent email address for your account.
Your email address is also your username for your ORSAA account. Use an email address that will stay with you, even if you change schools. Remember your username, password, and secret question so that you can log into your account later.

Read and answer all questions carefully.
Make sure you understand ORSAA questions before you answer them, so that you provide accurate information. If you're not sure what a question means, contact OSAC.

Have your parents sign the ORSAA.
All students must electronically sign (e-sign) their ORSAA. Most students under age 24 must also have a parent e-sign the ORSAA. If your ORSAA says "Incomplete -Parent Signature Pending," then you need to send your parent an email invite to sign your ORSAA. The ***parent must use a different email address*** than the student's ORSAA account email.

Get to completed!
Make sure your ORSAA status says "Completed" and the date. This means your ORSAA is submitted and you will be considered for Oregon financial aid opportunities. Print or save a copy of the PDF version of your completed ORSAA for your reference.

Complete other grant and scholarship applications.
The ORSAA is the ***first*** step in applying for financial aid. You may be eligible to apply for the Oregon Promise Grant or OSAC Scholarships in the OSAC Student Portal by completing additional applications. Also, talk to your college or university's financial aid office about other opportunities.

Contact OSAC with questions.
ORSAAhelp@hecc.oregon.gov
(800) 452 - 8807
Support available 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday - Friday

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I filed the **ORSAA,** now what?

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What other financial aid can I apply for?

The ORSAA is a *first* step to apply for financial aid. You can apply for other opportunities by completing additional applications:

Apply!

- Oregon Promise Grant
- OSAC Scholarships
- Other private scholarships
- Aid at your college or university

Visit the OSAC website to learn more: OregonStudentAid.gov

How is my ORSAA information used once I submit it?

Your ORSAA information goes to the Office of Student Access and Completion (OSAC) - the state financial aid office. OSAC only shares your information with the Oregon colleges and universities that you list on the ORSAA. All information is secure and confidential. The State of Oregon protects the privacy of individuals' immigration information, as described in House Bill 3464 (2017).

When will I know about financial aid awards?

When you file the ORSAA, you will automatically be considered for the Oregon Opportunity Grant (OOG), Oregon's largest need-based grant for college students. If you are awarded the OOG, you will receive an email from OSAC (typically in spring or summer) with award information.

Make sure your ORSAA is completed.

1. Log in to your ORSAA account.
2. Your ORSAA status should say "Completed" with the date.

What if I need to correct information on my ORSAA?

To correct information or add a college, simply update your ORSAA online:

1. Log in to your ORSAA account.
2. Download the PDF of your application.
3. Edit the application. You will need to re-enter some financial information.
4. You (and your parent) must e-sign the ORSAA again.
5. Make sure your status says "Completed" at the end.

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Understanding the **ORSAA**

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The ORSAA is an alternative to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for undocumented students in Oregon, including students with Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status. The ORSAA gives students access to state grants and scholarships.

Who should file the ORSAA?

You should file the ORSAA if you're an undocumented student – including Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status – and you are a new or continuing college student. You must currently live and study in Oregon.

Why should I file the ORSAA?

By filing the ORSAA – *early, and each year you attend college* - you can gain access to financial aid through the state of Oregon such as the Oregon Opportunity Grant, Oregon Promise Grant*, and OSAC Scholarships*. You must meet eligibility criteria for each program. *Financial aid helps you to meet the costs of attending college.*

*You must complete additional applications for these opportunities, by the deadline.

File Early!

File the ORSAA as soon as possible after **October 1** each year.

What do I need in order to file the ORSAA?

You should gather the following information for yourself (and your parents or spouse, if applicable):

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- Different email address for student and parent
- Date of birth, phone number, address
- Tax return and/or other income information from two years prior
- Bank statements, records of untaxed income, and/or records of investments

How do I file the ORSAA?

The ORSAA is always free to file. Visit the OSAC website and file online: OregonStudentAid.gov/fafsa-orsaa.

Do I need to file both the ORSAA and the FAFSA?

First, file the ORSAA if you are an undocumented or DACA student. Next, talk to the financial aid office at your school. Ask if you can complete anything else to apply for campus-based aid.

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