

CASFA Materials Checklist



CASFA
COLORADO APPLICATION FOR
STATE FINANCIAL AID

Overview:

Colorado ASSET students can apply for state financial aid using the online application called the Colorado Application for State Financial Aid (CASFA).

Are you eligible to apply?

CASFA is a safe, confidential, and easy way to apply for state financial aid if you are a Colorado ASSET (Advancing Students for a Stronger Tomorrow) student.

Non-U.S. citizen resident and non-resident students can use the CASFA to apply for institutional aid.



If you're eligible for Title IV financial aid, you should complete the [Free Application for Federal Aid \(FAFSA\)](#).

Checklist

Depending on your circumstances you may need the following information or documents as you fill out the CASFA application:

Federal income tax returns

Dependent students will need to submit federal tax return information for yourself (if you had to file taxes) and your parents. Additionally, a parent will need to electronically sign your application before you can submit the application.

Independent students will need to submit federal tax return information for yourself and your spouse, if married.

Prior year tax return transcripts are needed (Example: For 2023-2024 school year, submit 2021 tax return transcripts. For 2022-2023 school year, submit 2020 tax return transcripts).

All students, if you did not file taxes, you may be asked to submit a letter of non-filing from the IRS.gov website or submit a signed statement explaining why you or your parents did not file.

Selective Service*

Thanks to the new law, male students no longer have to register for Selective Service to qualify for state aid. The question has been removed from the 2023-24 CASFA.

Stay Updated

Monitor your student account and email. Please respond quickly to new items to ensure timely processing of your application.

Visit <https://cdhe.colorado.gov/colorado-application-for-state-financial-aid> for more information. If you're a student apply for the CASFA [here](#).