

Colorado Free Application Days 2023

All public colleges and universities and several private institutions waived admissions application fees for Colorado residents from **Tuesday, Oct. 17 through Thursday, Oct. 19, 2023**, as part of the sixth annual Colorado Free Application Days. Colorado Free Application Days capped off Colorado Applies Month, a statewide campaign that encourages Coloradans to apply to a higher education program and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Colorado Application for State Financial Aid (CASFA).

Institution of Higher Education	Total Apps
Adams State University	433
Aims Community College	562
Colorado College	721
Colorado Community College System	3,101
Colorado Mesa University	4,903
Colorado Mountain College	261
Colorado School of Mines	3,615
Colorado State University	10,203
Colorado State University-Global	229
Colorado State University-Pueblo	1,529
Fort Lewis College	1,164
Metropolitan State University of Denver	4,632
Regis University	1,422
University of Colorado Boulder	11,346
University of Colorado Colorado Springs	5,433
University of Colorado Denver	4,742
University of Denver	4,433
University of Northern Colorado	4,346
Western Colorado University	1,709
TOTALS	64,784

Fast Facts



64,784
total applications



1%
Overall increase in
applications over
last year's campaign



44%
submitted by
students of color



34%
submitted by
first-generation students



1,498
transfer applications

Getting the Word Out

Colorado Applies Month 2023

- \$2.8 million** saved in application fees
- 39** participating schools and organizations
- 2,838** participating students
- 34** statewide application events



Public Service Announcement



Comcast and Telemundo donated airtime and video production services valued at **\$50,000**.

Over 85,000 combined social media views

News Highlights

9 News KUSA [You can apply to Colorado colleges for free through Thursday](#)

Denver 7 [Free application days: Apply to Colorado colleges for free](#)

KOAA News 5 [Colorado Free Application Days kick off Tuesday](#)

KRDO News [Higher education application fees waived for 6th annual Colorado Free Application Days](#)

KKCO 11 News [CMU removes barriers by providing Free Application Week to students](#)

KKTV 11 News [Apply to Colorado colleges for free starting Tuesday for 2023 Colorado Free Application Days](#)

For More Information

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