

Frequently Asked Financial Aid Questions For Students at SCC

How do I know if I am eligible? Every student wanting financial aid should fill out the FAFSA. It can be submitted electronically or through the mail. FAFSA on the Web: HYPERLINK <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Must all students receiving financial aid be a degree seeking student: Yes.

If a student's aid file is verified, what documents must be submitted to clear verification? Verification worksheet, students taxes and W-2's and for dependent students, parents taxes and W-2's.

How do I know how much money I will get? After completing the FAFSA, each student receives a Student Aid Report (SAR). The students' financial aid case manager at the school will be able to advise the student about their eligibility, or the student may contact the Financial Aid Director.

What is the maximum amount of financial aid I can receive? Pell Grants are \$2366 per semester; CAP Grants are \$950; SEOG's are \$200. (Semester Awards). EFC's greater than 4042 are not eligible for grants. Loans and workstudy will be awarded upon request depending on eligibility and funds

When do I get my money? Checks at all KCTCS institutions cannot be requested until after drop/add and the reporting of no shows and deletions for the semester. All residual checks will be mailed to the student's home address, after tuition is credited to the student's account. All checks are mailed from Georgia.

Do I have to maintain a certain GPA to receive financial aid? Yes, all students receiving financial aid are required to maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher, and pass 67% of all coursework attempted

What about book vouchers for financial aid recipients? Books can be charged for students who have a completed financial aid file and eligibility. Vouchers are not required, but you must have given us permission on a Financial Aid Release (FAR) form to release your financial aid information to Barnes and Noble.

What if my income situation has changed? Please contact the Financial Aid Office and request that a recalculation be done based on updated information. Examples of such request include plant closing, death/divorce of parent/spouse, excessive medical expenses, etc.

What about Return to Title IV for withdrawals? Students who withdraw from college prior to the 60% period are required to repay a portion of their financial aid and the Business Office is required to return a portion of the student's tuition money to Title IV Aid Programs. **If a student keeps one class, this process does not have to be completed.** It is important for academic advisors to try to work with students to keep them in college.

What about GED and high school diplomas? Students are not eligible for financial aid until they graduate from high school or pass the GED.

Is college workstudy available? Workstudy may be available for eligible students. Somerset Community College North and South campus students usually earn \$6.55 per hour and are permitted to work up to 20 hours per week. A W-4/K-4's, I-9, and a KCTCS student work application must be completed prior to the student starting to work.

Can financial aid recipients get paid for remedial classes? Yes. Financial aid can pay for up to 30 hours of remedial classes.

Is aid available for the summer? If you are full time in the fall and full time in the spring, there is no Pell eligibility for the summer. If you plan to attend summer, you may want to set funds aside for expenses.