

The Execution Phase

- 1. Complete the FAFSA – after October 1**
- 2. Complete the CSS Profile (only if applying to highly selectives)– after Oct 1**
- 3. List all colleges where student has interest on FAFSA (up to 10)**
- 4. Appeal if appropriate**
- 5. Complete verification process if requested**
- 6. Await award letters**
- 7. Compare each college's out of pocket cost**
- 8. Determine merits of conversation with number one college choice**
- 9. Make final college decision (May 1)**
- 10. Research parent loan options (if borrowing is determined)**
- 11. Have student hunt for campus employment (summer)**
- 12. Have student take online loan class**
- 13. Have student sign promissory note**
- 14. Establish payment plan with college choice**