# FREE MONEY FOR COLLEGE AND CAREER SCHOOL

#### **ACTIVITIES & EVENTS**

In addition to meeting with students one-on-one to complete college financial aid tasks, we will host BETTER FAFSA related events such as FSA ID Creation in fall and BETTER FAFSA Frenzy in the winter and spring. We will be on hand to offer free assistance and answer questions you may have as you complete the BETTER FAFSA form.

**NOTE:** BETTER FAFSA is an important part of going to college and is the primary way of determining students' eligibility for most types of federal and state financial aid, including grants, scholarships, loans, and work-study, as well as financial assistance offered by colleges and universities. Students should submit a BETTER FAFSA form every year they plan to attend college to secure all the financial aid available to them. The form will be available in DECEMBER this year.



## **How to Prepare for BETTER FAFSA**

#### **Create Your FSA ID**

To submit the BETTER FAFSA in December, your student and you must first create a Federal Student Aid account. Financial Aid Advisors can assist with the process. Each individual will need a Social Security Number, a personal email address, and their full name as it appears on their Social Security Card to create an FSA ID. The sooner you can create one the better. Visit https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch for step by step instructions.

P.S. Families without Social Security numbers must create an FSA ID as well. More information and instructions to come soon.

#### **Gather Your Documents**

To submit the FAFSA during school advising appointment or FAFSA Frenzy events, you and your student will need to bring the following:

- FAFSA log in information FSA ID (for you and your student)
- 2022 federal tax returns (for you and your student)
- 2022 W-2s (for you and your student)
- Records of any investments or money earned and or received such as child support, farms, education savings plan, etc.

### **IMPORTANT SEPTEMBER DATES**

September 16 – FSA ID Creation, Central High School, 10 am -12 noon September 30 – FSA ID Creation, Putnam, 12 noon -2 pm.

