

The CSS Profile



Gather the following before you start:

- Tax returns and income documentation
- Records of untaxed income and benefits
- Bank statements
- Investment info
- Retirement account info
- Real estate
- Business/farm income information
- Colleges to which you are applying

Start early. Check deadlines!

Receiving financial aid starts with being prepared. Submit early to avoid delays in financial aid processing.

Get help if you need it.

College Board CSS Profile Help Center:
cssprofile.collegeboard.org

College Board CSS Profile FAQs:
cssprofile.collegeboard.org/frequently-asked-questions



Granite Edvance, formerly the NHHEAF Network, is a 60-year-old nonprofit whose mission is to support NH students and families in navigating their education and career pathways. We offer college and career planning support at no cost, as well as scholarships, grants, and a private student loan.

WHAT IS IT?

An online application used by many colleges and scholarship programs to **award institutional (non-federal) financial aid**.
Separate from the FAFSA

- Required by approximately 250 private colleges and universities
- Used to determine institutional financial aid
- Provides an in-depth picture of family financial circumstances

WHEN TO FILE?

- Opens yearly on October 1
- Deadlines to complete vary by school

COST

- \$25 for the first school
- \$16 per additional school
- Fee waivers may be granted to qualifying students

HOW TO FILE

- Visit cssprofile.collegeboard.org
- Student and custodial parent will use student's College Board account
- Other parent will need separate account

TIPS

- Be honest and thorough: Incomplete or inaccurate info can delay aid
- Student and parent need to work together on financial questions
- Contact individual college financial aid offices with questions