

#### What is the Florida FAFSA Challenge?

The Florida FAFSA Challenge is a new statewide campaign that aims to increase the proportion of Florida high school seniors who complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The campaign encourages schools, districts, and communities to set bold and attainable FAFSA completion goals and implement strategies designed to meet their goals. Labor economists predict 65% of jobs in Florida will require some form of postsecondary education.

#### **Change in Estimated Pell Grants Awarded**

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Alachua	48.4%	2,070	741	35.8%	2,055	538	26.2%	203	9.6%	\$333,620
Baker	44.4%	320	61	19.1%	265	42	15.8%	19	3.2%	\$28,650
Bay	47.4%	1,677	515	30.7%	1,582	385	24.3%	130	6.4%	\$208,964
Bradford	61.0%	169	41	24.3%	201	34	16.9%	7	7.3%	\$14,493
Brevard	50.6%	4,809	1,563	32.5%	4,547	1,249	27.5%	314	5.0%	\$539,079
Broward	61.9%	21,946	6,890	31.4%	21,836	5,308	24.3%	1,582	7.1%	\$3,323,591
Calhoun	56.8%	133	24	18.0%	140	31	22.1%	-7	-4.1%	-\$13,497
Charlotte	50.6%	1,339	399	29.8%	1,354	283	20.9%	116	8.9%	\$199,233
Citrus	66.0%	1,097	260	23.7%	1,135	219	19.3%	41	4.4%	\$91,841
Clay	44.4%	2,802	867	30.9%	2,714	672	24.8%	195	6.2%	\$294,049
Collier	59.6%	3,030	1,171	38.6%	2,877	898	31.2%	273	7.4%	\$552,527
Columbia	57.2%	613	146	23.8%	540	85	15.7%	61	8.1%	\$118,338
Dade	70.8%	26,591	10,494	39.5%	26,342	7,881	29.9%	2,613	9.5%	\$6,281,720
Desoto	64.3%	223	56	25.1%	248	30	12.1%	26	13.0%	\$56,703
Dixie	60.5%	99	12	12.1%	122	17	13.9%	-5	-1.8%	-\$10,276



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Duval	52.0%	7,277	2,488	34.2%	7,193	1,664	23.1%	824	11.1%	\$1,455,226
Escambia	58.8%	2,422	741	30.6%	2,305	549	23.8%	192	6.8%	\$383,256
Flagler	55.1%	1,018	268	26.3%	969	201	20.7%	67	5.6%	\$125,204
Franklin	67.7%	61	22	36.1%	67	20	29.9%	2	6.2%	\$4,593
Gadsden	73.0%	267	27	10.1%	281	41	14.6%	-14	-4.5%	-\$34,685
Gilchrist	55.3%	159	51	32.1%	172	35	20.3%	16	11.7%	\$30,027
Glades	45.2%	54	19	35.2%	51	11	21.6%	8	13.6%	\$12,267
Gulf	59.4%	142	67	47.2%	146	47	32.2%	20	15.0%	\$40,316
Hamilton	51.2%	75	18	24.0%	102	16	15.7%	2	8.3%	\$3,475
Hardee	57.0%	279	57	20.4%	266	53	19.9%	4	0.5%	\$7,743
Hendry	67.1%	490	168	34.3%	481	108	22.5%	60	11.8%	\$136,627
Hernando	66.5%	1,719	394	22.9%	1,671	336	20.1%	58	2.8%	\$130,842
Highlands	76.2%	674	245	36.4%	634	187	29.5%	58	6.9%	\$150,075
Hillsborough	58.2%	13,758	4,784	34.8%	13,520	3,470	25.7%	1,314	9.1%	\$2,594,719
Holmes	52.4%	214	40	18.7%	161	15	9.3%	25	9.4%	\$44,467
Indian River	56.3%	1,206	429	35.6%	1,228	285	23.2%	144	12.4%	\$275,408
Jackson	69.3%	407	55	13.5%	390	49	12.6%	6	0.9%	\$14,109
Jefferson	80.0%	33	12	36.4%	42	9	21.4%	3	14.9%	\$8,144
Lafayette	57.3%	81	18	22.2%	79	12	15.2%	6	7.0%	\$11,661
Lake	60.9%	2,710	856	31.6%	2,808	621	22.1%	235	9.5%	\$485,679



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Lee	51.9%	6,933	2,193	31.6%	6,628	1,464	22.1%	729	9.5%	\$1,284,171
Leon	40.9%	2,072	795	38.4%	1,940	527	27.2%	268	11.2%	\$372,452
Levy	60.4%	285	81	28.4%	306	68	22.2%	13	6.2%	\$26,638
Liberty	51.4%	74	20	27.0%	75	15	20.0%	5	7.0%	\$8,721
Madison	53.4%	142	22	15.5%	132	19	14.4%	3	1.1%	\$5,433
Manatee	54.5%	3,108	1,011	32.5%	2,906	655	22.5%	356	10.0%	\$658,625
Marion	65.1%	3,155	885	28.1%	3,040	574	18.9%	311	9.2%	\$687,078
Martin	44.3%	1,365	486	35.6%	1,388	366	26.4%	120	9.2%	\$180,496
Monroe	48.8%	545	211	38.7%	531	139	26.2%	72	12.5%	\$119,160
Nassau	48.3%	867	245	28.3%	830	192	23.1%	53	5.1%	\$86,849
Okaloosa	45.2%	1,973	748	37.9%	1,971	486	24.7%	262	13.3%	\$401,770
Okeechobee	82.4%	372	89	23.9%	382	51	13.4%	38	10.6%	\$106,342
Orange	65.6%	14,105	5,734	40.7%	13,276	3,256	24.5%	2,478	16.1%	\$5,519,024
Osceola	56.9%	4,407	1,475	33.5%	4,157	949	22.8%	526	10.6%	\$1,016,454
Palm Beach	59.2%	14,819	4,882	32.9%	14,126	3,522	24.9%	1,360	8.0%	\$2,732,400
Pasco	54.8%	4,145	1,508	36.4%	3,982	1,067	26.8%	441	9.6%	\$819,825
Pinellas	50.3%	6,929	2,349	33.9%	6,840	1,730	25.3%	619	8.6%	\$1,056,194
Polk	52.4%	6,620	1,679	25.4%	6,593	1,197	18.2%	482	7.2%	\$857,100
Putnam	68.9%	545	147	27.0%	559	106	19.0%	41	8.0%	\$95,903
Santa Rosa	44.2%	1,948	681	35.0%	1,750	449	25.7%	232	9.3%	\$347,953



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Sarasota	47.8%	3,029	1,379	45.5%	2,920	1,063	36.4%	316	9.1%	\$513,180
Seminole	47.2%	4,745	1,884	39.7%	4,618	1,352	29.3%	532	10.4%	\$852,003
St. Johns	22.9%	2,675	1,117	41.8%	2,359	741	31.4%	376	10.3%	\$292,069
St. Lucie	65.2%	3,260	807	24.8%	3,194	567	17.8%	240	7.0%	\$531,515
Sumter	58.9%	472	160	33.9%	450	104	23.1%	56	10.8%	\$112,031
Suwannee	59.9%	363	94	25.9%	359	71	19.8%	23	6.1%	\$46,770
Taylor	59.1%	122	20	16.4%	125	20	16.0%	0	0.4%	\$0
Union	48.8%	152	24	15.8%	142	19	13.4%	5	2.4%	\$8,276
Volusia	64.4%	3,983	1,181	29.7%	4,108	900	21.9%	281	7.7%	\$613,965
Wakulla	49.0%	311	74	23.8%	308	65	21.1%	9	2.7%	\$14,980
Walton	52.7%	493	141	28.6%	417	72	17.3%	69	11.3%	\$123,412
Washington	65.9%	213	43	20.2%	229	36	15.7%	7	4.5%	\$15,649
Florida	58.0%	194,713	66,366	34.1%	189,680	47,394	25.0%	18,972	9.1%	\$37,404,625

Sources: FAFSA completion data, U.S Department of Education Central Processing System; Student enrollment, Florida Department of Education Bureau of Accountability and Information Services. FAFSA completion rates and Pell grant estimates calculated by Florida College Access Network. Note that FAFSA completions only include applications among first-time filing applicants no older than 18 who will have received their high school diploma by the start of the school year to which they are applying for aid. The change in Pell grants awarded estimate assumes all eligible students completing a FAFSA will enroll in a postsecondary institution and receive the average Pell grant amount received by Florida students in 2014-15.



