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Financial aid experts reveal secrets to securing college funding at

<date, eg. Oct. 15> Workshop

**<Name of high school>** is partnering with Stand By Me to host a financial aid workshop on <date> aimed at helping families understand the financial aid process and secure cash for college.

The event, to be held **<time, date and location>**, makes it easier for parents to take that all-important first step of filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid – or FAFSA.

The FAFSA is the only way students can get all the financial aid they qualify for, whether it’s in the form of scholarships or grants (free money) or low-interest loans. Usually, students receive a package that offers a combination of both.

“Filling out the FAFSA form can be intimidating to some, but it’s so important that they do it,” said **<school principal or counselor.>** “That’s why we offer these workshops.”

A facilitator will walk students and parents through the steps of completing the application. Students and their parents may register for a FAFSA workshop at **<url>**.

To schedule an appointment for help with FAFSA or for more information, call Stand By Me at 1-800-560-3372 or visit [**www.standbymede.org.**](http://www.standbymede.org/)

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