Next Steps for Parents and Families

Financial Aid | Billing

Email
Check your email regularly for important information regarding financial aid and billing.

FAMweb
Create a FAMweb[1] account. Encourage your student to set up access for you to view important records like financial aid, billing, and tax information.

Financial Aid Requirements and Awards
View any outstanding requirements in FAMweb if your student has granted access via their RAMweb records page.

Parent Plus Loan
To complete the Direct Parent PLUS Loan[2] application process you must:
• Apply for a Parent Plus loan[3]
• Complete a Master Promissory Note[4]

CSU Payment Plan
Pay your bill in elective monthly installments by enrolling in the CSU payment plan[5]! Visit our website for enrollment deadlines and other information.

COF (Colorado Resident)
Encourage your student to complete the College Opportunity Fund application[6]. If your student is a Colorado Resident they may receive a stipend for $94 per credit hour. Be sure they authorize COF to pay toward their student account on RAMweb.

RAMweb
Remind your student to complete the Schwab MoneyWise on Campus online module[7] on the Health Network's website or through the link on their RAMweb.

Academic Implications for Financial Aid
Encourage your student to contact the Office of Financial Aid regarding how academics and enrollment can impact financial aid and scholarship eligibility.

Health Insurance Requirement
Fulfill the Student Health Insurance Requirement[8] by the first day of classes.

Financial Aid Guide
Review the Financial Aid Guide[9] for a comprehensive summary of everything you need to know about financial aid.

1. https://parentsandfamily.colostate.edu/what-is-famweb/
2. https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/loans/plus/parent
3. https://studentaid.gov/plus-app/parent/landing
4. https://studentaid.gov/mpn/parentplus/landing
5. https://financialaid.colostate.edu/payment-plan/
6. https://cof.college-assist.org/
7. http://health.colostate.edu/financial-management/
8. http://health.colostate.edu/new-student-checklist/#healthinsurance
9. https://financialaid.colostate.edu/financial-aid-guide/

FAMweb

Secure online access to your student's records

CSU students have the right and responsibility to provide, update, or withdraw FAMweb access for trusted individuals via their RAMweb student portal.

Students may grant access to:

- **eBilling Information (including CSU Payment Plan)**
- **Financial Aid Information**
- **Grades for Last Completed Term**
- **Unofficial Transcript**
- **Weekly Class Schedule**
- **Tax Information**

We encourage you to work with your student *now* to set up a FAMweb account. This will save time and stress when deadlines arrive to pay bills or access important tax information.

To sign up, your student may simply login to their RAMweb portal and select the FAMweb link on their records page.

Once your student has granted you access, you should receive an email confirming access was granted along with next steps for accessing your account.

For more information, visit **https://parentsandfamily.colostate.edu/what-is-famweb**

FERPA

Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

The Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 establishes conditions around the release of and access to student records.

FERPA gives students the right to:
- Inspect and review their records
- Request to amend their records
- Limit disclosure of public/directory information

FERPA also requires students to give the institution their permission before the release of any of their private information. Students may opt to release some private information to family members or other trusted individuals via FAMweb.

For more information, visit **https://registrar.colostate.edu/student-privacy-ferpa/**