

## **Free FAFSA Assistance Available at FAFSA Ready Iowa**

*Help for College-Bound Students in More Than 130 Locations*

College-bound Iowa students will find themselves with options when it comes to seeking out financial aid assistance this winter. Students and parents needing help with financial aid forms will find more options closer to home through the FAFSA Ready Iowa program, which will host more than 130 FAFSA completion assistance events in 81 communities in Iowa.

The main focus of FAFSA Ready Iowa is to help first-generation and low-income students find the funds they need to attend college, but all students can benefit from free help with the FAFSA. Volunteers for FAFSA Ready Iowa will help students and their families fill out and file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA.) The FAFSA is a free form that may be completed without professional assistance via paper or electronic forms provided by the U.S. Department of Education.

“Data shows that students have an 85% chance of being awarded financial aid simply by completing the FAFSA. This program is great for anyone who has questions, is overwhelmed by the process, or wants free help with the form,” said Brittania Morey, ICAN vice president, marketing and communications and state coordinator for FAFSA Ready Iowa. “It’s especially helpful for students who are low-income or are the first generation of their families to attend college, or both.”

For a complete list of event location for 2021-22, visit [www.icansucceed.org/fafsareadyia](http://www.icansucceed.org/fafsareadyia).

You can help promote the mission of FAFSA Ready Iowa by referring high school seniors and new and returning college students, helping transport students and families, and volunteering your time. For more information on how to get involved, visit [www.icansucceed.org/fafsareadyia](http://www.icansucceed.org/fafsareadyia) or contact [FAFSA@ICANSucceed.org](mailto:FAFSA@ICANSucceed.org). You can also call 319-423-7708.