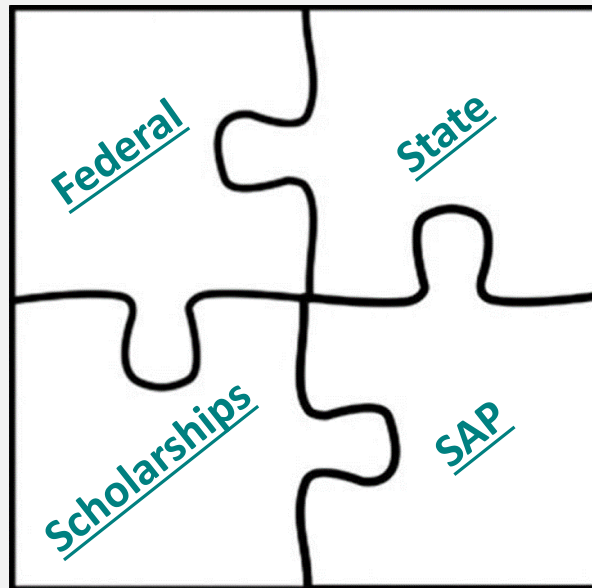


# FINANCIAL AID BASICS

The categories below are main elements of applying for financial aid and what could be available to students.



- **Federal Aid:**
  - Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
  - Pell Grant, student loans, work study (where applicable)
  - [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)
- **State Aid:**
  - Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC)
  - Grants, Senatorial & Delegate scholarships, Promise Scholarship, etc.
  - Complete FAFSA or MSFAA by **March 1<sup>st</sup>**
  - [mhec.state.md.us](http://mhec.state.md.us)
- **Scholarships:**
  - Private VS Institutional scholarships
  - Free scholarship search at [StudentAid.gov/scholarships](http://StudentAid.gov/scholarships)
  - Check with your school's Financial Aid office for application information
- **Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP):**
  - All students receiving financial aid must maintain SAP, including:
    - 2.0 GPA
    - 67% Completion Rate (avoid excessive withdrawing and/or "F" grades)

## Questions?

Contact the AACC Financial Aid office at  
410-777-2203 or [finaid@aacc.edu](mailto:finaid@aacc.edu)