

Counseling Newsletter

Mental Health Resources

OCTOBER 2025

Upcoming:

10/1

FAFSA opens!

10/7

Purdue University visit (Flex)

Alma College visit (Flex)

10/9

Cornerstone University visit (Flex)

10/14

Kalamazoo College visit (Flex)

Albion College visit (Flex)

10/16

Central MI University visit (Flex)

Northern MI University visit (Flex)

10/21

Ferris State University visit (Flex)

University of Toledo visit (Flex)

TRAILS Suicide Awareness & Prevention for
Caregivers (virtual training 5:30-7PM)

10/23

Saginaw Valley State University visit (Flex)

Savannah College of Arts & Design visit (Flex)

10/24

AP Exam Registration Due

10/30

Grand Canyon University visit (Flex)

10/31

End of Quarter 1

½ day of school

Pick Your Path to College Funding:

Michigan Achievement Scholarship: Get up to \$27,500 for a public or private university! 7 out of 10 high school seniors may qualify.

Community College Guarantee: Earn your associates degree or skill certification tuition-free at an eligible community college! All Michigan high school grads are eligible.

Career Training: Get up to \$4,000 for a career training program!

Additional details can be found on the attached flyer.

FAFSA is now OPEN!

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now open! The FAFSA takes roughly one hour to complete. You will need your student's personal information as well as parents personal information, assets, income, tax information, etc.

It is recommended that students add all the schools they are applying to on their application to determine what the financial aid package at each school could be.

To begin, students will need to create their "FSA ID".

For the application and more information, [click here](#).

TRAILS Suicide Awareness & Prevention Training:

Youth are struggling with suicide and ideation at alarming/increasing rates. More than 20% of teens have seriously considered suicide, and among all young people, suicide is a leading cause of death. Suicide is preventable and suicide prevention is a shared and important responsibility among families and schools.

Anyone can learn to help a student who is at risk of suicide. Learn more at an upcoming presentation for caregivers and communities. [Click here](#) to register. Tuesday, 10/21 @ 5:30

PM

Mi College Application Month:

In the month of October the Michigan College Access Network (MCAN) celebrates Michigan College Month. In order to celebrate, many colleges and universities across the state provide a fee waiver or free application for Seniors applying to college. See the attached flyer for more details!

Michigan College Month

Application Fee Waivers

October 2025





COLLEGES WITH NO APPLICATION FEES

Adrian College	Henry Ford College	Hillsdale College	Mott Community College
Albion College	Hope College	Jackson College	North Central Michigan College
Alma College	Kalamazoo College	Kalamazoo Valley Community College	Northern Michigan University
Alpena Community College	Community College	Kellogg Community College	Northwestern Michigan College
Aquinas College	University	Kirtland Community College	Northwood University
Baker College	College	Kuyper College	Oakland Community College
Bay College	Lake Michigan College	Lake Superior State University	Oakland University
Bay Mills Community College	Lansing Community College	Macomb Community College	Rochester Christian University
Cleary University	Madonna University	Michigan Technological University	Saginaw Valley State University
College for Creative Studies	Mid Michigan College	Monroe County Community College	Schoolcraft College
Cornerstone University	Montcalm Community College	Muskegon Community College	Southwestern Michigan College
Davenport University			Spring Arbor University
Delta College			St. Clair County Community College
Ferris State University			University of Detroit Mercy
Glen Oaks Community College			University of Michigan-Dearborn
Gogebic Community College			University of Michigan-Flint
Grace Christian University			The University of Olivet
Grand Rapids Community College			Washtenaw Community College
Grand Valley State University			Wayne County Community College
Great Lakes Christian College			West Shore Community College

COLLEGES WAIVING APPLICATION FEES

Institution	Dates	Waiver code (if needed)
Andrews University	Oct. 1-31	FREE4MI2025
Calvin University	Ongoing	Waiver automatically applied in October, waiver code 1876 needed after Nov. 1
Central Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	None for CMU app, FireUp2026 on Common App
Eastern Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	MCAM
Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College	Oct. 1-31	
Lawrence Technological University	Oct. 1-31	OCTOBER1932
Michigan State University	Oct. 1-10	Spartan1855
MSU Institute of Agricultural Technology	Oct. 1-Nov. 2	
Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College	Oct. 1-31	
Wayne State University	Oct. 1-31	WSU2026
Western Michigan University	Oct. 1-31	

For institution-specific information on all public and private, 2-year and 4-year institutions in Michigan, including admissions and financial aid, please visit MCAN's Michigan Institution Updates page at qr.codes.pro/miu or scan the QR code with your smart device.

SENIORS, UNLOCK FREE MONEY FOR COLLEGE

WITH THE MICHIGAN ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP



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CAREER TRAINING

Get up to **\$4,000** for a career training program!

Get on the fast track to a high-paying career.

BEGIN BY COMPLETING YOUR FAFSA. IT'S EASIER THAN EVER!

COMPLETE YOUR FAFSA TO APPLY. ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS:

1. Gather **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS** and **INCOME INFO** (like bank balances and tax returns).
2. Create **STUDENT AID.GOV** accounts for you and your parents/contributors.
3. Fill out the **FAFSA**. It takes most families 30 minutes or less to complete.

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