THE 10 MOST IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT FAFSA SIMPLIFICATION

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• Priority Deadlines – File Early!

- Most institutions have deadlines related to institutional eligibility
 - Temple: Feb 1
 - Penn State: March 1
 - University of Pittsburgh: No set date
 - Lincoln University: April 1
- Institutional Process After Filing
 - FAFSA Received
 - (Potential Documentation Needed)
 - Aid Offer Issued
 - Dates will vary
 - Meet with the Financial Aid Office to Discuss Costs, Aid, Additional Resources
 - Make sure you have a plan before moving in and committing.

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Documentation Requirements Aren't Going Away

- Federal Verification
 - Taxes and Identity Documentation
- Citizenship
- Independent Status
 - Homeless
 - Foster Youths (PA Fostering Independence Tuition Waiver)
 - Other Qualifiers
- Unusual Circumstances
 - Change of Income
 - Dependency Override
 - Legal Guardianship vs Legal Custody

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- Resources:
 - Pasfaa.org
 - <u>https://www.pasfaa.org/student-resources/</u> for scholarship application
 - Financial Aid Offices (state-related)
 - Sfs.temple.edu
 - SFS does have recorded webinars regarding Temple-specific processes as well as federal
 - Studentaid.psu.edu
 - https://www.lincoln.edu/financial-aid
 - https://financialaid.pitt.edu/