Parents,

Give your high school seniors the push they need to cross the finish line before graduation! Here are three ways you can help your senior apply for state and federal financial aid to offset college expenses.

1. **Locate your tax information.** Most high school seniors are considered “dependent” students, which means information is needed from you to complete the FAFSA. To complete the 2020-2021 FAFSA, your senior will need information from your 2018 W-2 and tax return.

2. **Create an FSA ID.** In order to add your financial information to your senior’s online FAFSA, you’ll need a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID). You’ll use the same FSA ID each year to sign your student’s online FAFSA. If you have more than one student in college, your FSA ID can be used for as many applications as necessary.

3. **Submit the FAFSA early.** Gather your income and asset information so you’ll be ready to submit the FAFSA as soon as possible after Oct. 1. Remember: the sooner, the better.
Financial Aid Resources

To apply for an FSA ID
FSAID.ed.gov

To complete and submit the FAFSA
FAFSA.gov

Tips on planning, preparing and paying for college
UCanGo2.org

Information about FAFSA completion
StartWithFAFSA.org

Information about colleges in OK and nationwide
OKcollegestart.org

Information about colleges nationwide
NCES.ed.gov/CollegeNavigator

Information on budgeting and saving for college
OklahomaMoneyMatters.org

Information about the financial aid process
StudentAid.ed.gov

Questions about the FAFSA process? Call 1-800-4 FED AID (1.800.433.3243)
Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.–9 p.m., CST