## **FAFSA**

## MYTH vs. FACT

MYTH 1

My parents make too much money to qualify.

FACT 1

There is no cut-off to qualify for financial aid.

MYTH 2

I have to wait until I file my taxes to complete the FAFSA.

FACT 2

You can complete FAFSA starting October 1.

MYTH 3

It costs money to complete FAFSA.

FACT 3

You never have to pay to complete FAFSA.

MYTH 4

Everyone will have my parent's and my social security number.

FACT 4

This information is input by you and submitted under the provisions of the Privacy Act.

MYTH 5

The FAFSA is a difficult, time-consuming form.

FACT 5

It is now easier than ever and takes approximately 23 minutes to complete.

MYTH 6

I should wait until I'm accepted to a college before I fill out the FAFSA form.

FACT 6

Don't wait. List all schools you're considering, even if you haven't applied or been accepted yet.

MYTH 7

There's only one FAFSA deadline and that's not until June.

FACT 7

No! State, college, and federal all have different deadlines. Apply after October 1 to ensure that you meet each deadline!