



Hello!

The pandemic has put a lot of things on hold for North Carolina high school seniors. College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC) and our statewide education collaborators want to support schools, counselors like you, and most importantly — SENIORS — who may not have been focused on college.

That's why CFNC is launching <u>Take Your Dreams Off Hold: College Is</u> <u>Within Reach!</u>, a campaign to support high school seniors and parents and help them complete the three important steps for college enrollment for the fall semester:

- Applications
- FAFSA
- Residency

Some seniors have partially completed the application process, while others

may believe that higher education is not for them right now. Please consider sharing the resources from our Counselors' Toolkit with your students and families as an additional tool for your ongoing outreach activities.

Online Resources

Step One: College Applications



OFF HOLD

College is Within Reach!



NC Schools Continuing To Accept Applications For Fall 2021 Enrollment

- All NC Community Colleges
- Barton College

- Brevard College
 Cabarrus College of
 Health Sciences
 Cabarrus College
 Louisburg College
- Campbell University
 Mars Hill University
- Catawba College
- Chowan University
- East Carolina University
- Elizabeth City State University
- Fayetteville State University
- Gardner-Webb University
- Gaston College

- Greensboro College
- High Point University
 Salem College
- Belmont Abbey College
 Bennett College
 Brevard College
 Lees-McRae College
 Lenoir-Rhyne University

 - Lees-McRae College
 Lenoir-Rhyne University
 - Livingstone College
 - Meredith College
 - Methodist University
 - North Carolina A&T
 State University State University
 - North Carolina Wesleyan
 College College
 - Pfeiffer University

- · Queens University of Charlotte
- Saint Augustine's University

 - Shaw University
 - St. Andrews University
 - University of Mount Olive
- University of North Carolina at Charlotte
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- · University of North Carolina at Pembroke
- Warren Wilson College
 - William Peace University
 - Winagte University
 - · Winston-Salem State University

* Many schools do not charge application fees and others accept fee waivers (check with the school's admissions office). See individual college websites for information about deadlines.

All N.C. community colleges and many four-year schools are still accepting applications for fall enrollment. We've compiled this list of schools to show students all the incredible options available to continue their education after high school and reach their career goals.

> See The List Of **Schools**

Step Two: Completing the FAFSA











Paying for college is one of the biggest hurdles for students and parents in the college enrollment process. Free online resources are always available at CNFC.org.

We're also planning several FAFSA Drive-In and virtual events during the month of April to help families across North Carolina complete this important step in the college enrollment process. Drive-In events will be held on Saturdays, April 10, 17, and 24, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., on multiple college campuses. Masks are required.

Click Here For Locations and Registration

If you are unable to attend a Drive-In event, we will also be offering virtual assistance. Click the link above and register for the virtual assistance-only option. Call-in/log-in information will be emailed to you prior to the Saturdays in April. This event can be accessed from anywhere. Additionally, on April 10 and 17, we will offer virtual bilingual support in Spanish and English.

Step Three: Residency Determination Service



North Carolina has an incredible mix of two-year and four-year colleges and universities! To take advantage of in-state tuition rates and state aid programs, students will use their CFNC Account to complete their N.C. residency determination through our sister site, NC Residency Determination Service.

Guaranteed-Transfer Programs



Students who want to stay closer to home can take advantage of Guaranteed-Transfer Programs between N.C. Community Colleges and N.C. four-year institutions. Guaranteed-Transfer Programs are a seamless pathway for students to complete their associate degree at a local community college and then transfer to a partner four-year school to complete their bachelor's degree. Students enrolled in the programs receive advising assistance, academic support, and access to special events at both schools.

See List of Programs

CFNC College Planning Events



MARCH₂₀₂₁

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
22	23	24	25 Navegando CFNC.org para planificar tu futuro 3/25/21, 6pm Register	26
29	HBCU Money Management Tips 3/30/21, 10am Register	31		

APRIL₂₀₂₁

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5	6	7	8	9	FAFSA Drive-In 4/10/21 10:00am - 2:00pm Register
12	HBCU Funding Graduate School – 4/13/21, 12pm Register Advantages of Attending NC HBCUs Part 2 4/13/21, 6pm Register	14	How to Reduce the Cost of College with the NC Community College System 4/15/21, 6pm Register	16	FAFSA Drive-In 4/17/21 10:00am - 2:00pm Register
19	Parents: Let's Talk Financial Aid! Hot Topics for HBCU Families – 4/20/21, 6pm Register	21	HBCU Student Loan Repayment 4/22/21, 10:30am Register	23	24 FAFSA Drive-In 4/24/21 10:00am - 2:00pm Register
26	27 HBCU Financial Literacy 2.0 4/27/21 6:00pm Register	28	29	30	

We're always adding new college planning events on the <u>CFNC Calendar of Events page</u>. CFNC's Regional Representatives are planning many informative virtual events to support your students with college applications, scholarships, financial aid, and more!

Do you need additional resources to answer a specific question from one of your students? Check out this list of <u>resources for education professionals</u> for helpful answers to common questions.

Take Your Dreams Off Hold: College Is Within Reach!is here to support school counselors as you help students reach their education goals. We hope you'll share the information in this newsletter and our <u>Counselors' Toolkit</u> with your students and parents.

Thank you for all that you do! Your friends at CFNC

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