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Dear High School Senior:

As you complete your final year of high school and prepare for your postsecondary options, the following should be considered to maximize your opportunities for State of Michigan aid programs.

- **Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).**
 - A FAFSA is required each year to receive State aid, regardless of the program. The FAFSA must be submitted by March 1, 2019 to be considered on time for the Michigan Competitive Scholarship and Michigan Tuition Grant.
 - The FAFSA can be completed at <https://fafsa.gov>.
- **After your FAFSA is received, create a MiSSG Student Portal account at www.michigan.gov/missg to complete aid program applications and monitor your eligibility status.**
 - Our office awards the first college/university listed on your FAFSA. If you decide to attend a different institution, please update this in the MiSSG Student Portal or call us at 1-888-447-2687.
- **If you scored 1200 or higher on the SAT, you may qualify for the Michigan Competitive Scholarship (MCS).**
 - For consideration of the MCS, we need to associate your SAT score with your FAFSA. To complete this process, we need your Social Security number (SSN). Your SSN may already be in our system, but we recommend that you ask your high school counselor to check your information in the MiSSG High School Counselor Portal or you can call us at 1-888-447-2687 to check.
- **If you are eligible for the Tuition Incentive Program (TIP), you must complete your application by August 31, 2019.**
 - To check your TIP eligibility and complete an application, log into the MiSSG Student Portal at www.michigan.gov/missg or call us at 1-888-447-2687.
 - Some colleges/universities have additional processes for TIP students. If you are TIP eligible, contact the financial aid office of the college/university that you plan on attending to learn about their process for TIP students.

To learn more about our programs and resources, please visit www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid. Connect with us on social media @mistudentaid.

Sincerely,

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