

JANUARY
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FINANCIAL AID NEWSLETTER

For our students!

THINGS TO KNOW THIS MONTH!

Welcome new and returning students!



In mid-January the federal government will send you an email reminder for filing your 2012-13 FAFSA. It is better to file your FAFSA after you have completed your 2011 federal tax return. However, to meet the priority filing date, you can file the FAFSA with estimated tax information and correct it later.

Be sure to file your 2012-13 FAFSA by the priority date of May 1, 2012.

- ◆ Financial Aid Bookstore Credit for the spring semester will be available through January 13, 2012. Please remember to bring your Spring schedule and Panther Card to the bookstore.
- ◆ Bookstore credit for all sessions will not be available after January 13th. So, if your book isn't available or is for a later session....simply purchase it in advance.
- ◆ The first financial aid disbursement for Spring is expected to occur during the last week of January. Checks for excess funds will be mailed on or around January 27th.
- ◆ Please note: Spring semester SAP appeals are due by March 1st.
- ◆ We encourage you to apply for [direct deposit](#) so your excess scholarship, grant and/or loan funds are available sooner. Sign up for direct deposit on Panther Web.
- ◆ Please remember that your financial aid is initially based on full-time enrollment (12 credits) and changes as you add and drop classes, so monitor your [Panther Web](#) regularly. Aid will only disburse for classes in which your attendance has been confirmed.



- ◆ **VETERANS** - Please be certain your [Veteran Certification Request](#) Form is complete and current. Submit the VA Certification Request to your home campus. NOTE: Your enrollment must be certified by each campus on which you are taking classes.

Veterans are encouraged to complete the FAFSA for other forms of Federal Aid.

- ◆ Palm Beach State offers **FREE** tutoring and academic support through the Student Learning Center (SLC). Tutoring is available to currently enrolled students on all campuses. Check with your campus SLC staff for more information on : Computers, English Writing, Math, Reading, Vocational Preparatory Instruction and English.

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