Student Financial Aid Application Process For the 2026-2027 Academic Year

STEP ONE – COMPLETE THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) APPLICATION

Saint Charles Seminary School Code: 016229

The 202-2027 FAFSA is available and may be completed at website address: **www.studentaid.gov**

Before completing the FAFSA you will need to have a user name and password. If you are a Dependent Student your Parent will need a user name and password to sign the FAFSA

"Contributor" is a new term on the FAFSA form. A contributor is anyone (the student, the student spouse, the student's biological or adoptive parent, or the parent's spouse) who is required to provide information on the FAFSA form, sign the FAFSA form, and provide consent and approval to have their federal tax information transferred directly from the IRS into the FAFSA form.

STEP TWO - ST. CHARLES BORROMEO SEMINARY APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Complete the enclosed 2026-2027 St. Charles Borromeo Seminary **Application for Financial Assistance**. The completed Application for Financial Assistance should be returned to the Office of Financial Aid as soon as possible.

STEP THREE – MASTER PROMISSORY NOTE (MPN) – FOR NEW BORROWER'S ONLY

If you are interested in student loans, you must complete a Loan Agreement also known as a Direct Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN), available online at www.Studentaid.gov. If you are a returning student and have already received a Federal Direct Loan the original Master Promissory Note is good for ten years.

The Financial Aid Office must have your completed St. Charles Seminary Application for Financial Assistance, and results from your federal FAFSA form to complete the processing of your Federal Direct Student Loan MPN.

All first-time borrowers are required to complete **entrance counseling** prior to receiving a Federal Loan. You may complete the entrance counseling at any time prior to online completion of your Direct Master Promissory Note. Go to www.Studentaid.gov and click on Entrance Counseling to complete this requirement.

STEP FOUR – VERIFICATION

Each year, the U.S. Department of Education selects a percentage of students who completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to have their income and other information verified by the Financial Aid Office. This process is called *verification*. If you are selected for verification, the Office of Financial Aid will ask you to submit a completed Verification Worksheet and 2022 Federal Tax Information if needed.   We will not be able to continue processing without these forms.

The forms should be returned to:

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Office of Financial Aid
St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
1400 Evans Road
Ambler, PA 19002

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PENNSYLVANIA STATE GRANT PROGRAM

This process is required only for undergraduate students who are Commonwealth of Pennsylvania residents and who are enrolled at least half-time. **The Application deadline for PA State Grant Program is May 1, 2026.**

The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) will use information submitted on a 2026-2027 FAFSA to consider students for a PA State Grant. For some students, Pa. State Grant will also request additional information and email/send you a **2026-2027 Information Form.** If you receive this form, complete it and return it directly to PHEAA. If you have questions about the application process for a 2026-2027 PA State