



## **Apply for the Pell Grant!**

Complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at:

# FAFSA.gov

Bridgerland offers the Federal Pell Grant. The Pell Grant is available to assist students in covering costs associated with education and is awarded to all eligible students that complete the requirements.

### Submit the FAFSA and get results-

The first step in applying for the Pell Grant is to complete the FAFSA. Applications are available after October 1, of each year for the following school year. Be sure to apply each year you plan to be a student at Bridgerland Technical College.

**Apply online-** This self-guided method is available at fafsa.gov and is the preferred way to apply. Bridgerland recommends using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool option to report tax information. You will receive your results electronically within days of submitting your FAFSA.

**Apply using the mobile app-** Download the myStudentAid app from the Apple Store or Google Play to complete the FAFSA safely and securely from your mobile device through myFAFSA. This beta version may not offer all of the same features as fafsa.gov, however, enhanced versions will be released to include additional functionality.

**Apply by mail-** Visit the Financial Aid Office for a paper FAFSA that you can mail directly to the federal processor yourself. The results of your application will be sent to you in the form of a Student Aid Report (SAR). Allow four or more weeks to process

Regardless of how you submit your FAFSA, the results of your FAFSA will be released to the schools of your choice in the form of an ISIR (Institutional Student Information Record). Be sure to include <u>Bridgerland's school code</u> on your application: **014257**.

#### What Next?

Current year results will be accessed and evaluated and you will be contacted by the Financial Aid Office using the email address you put on your FAFSA or by regular mail if you did not provide an email address. If it has been more than three weeks since electronically submitting your FAFSA (or four weeks by mail) and you have not heard anything from the college, or if you have questions -- call the college's Financial Aid Office. Appropriate forms (FAFSA results and Bridgerland's Student Information Form) and documents (this may

include tax transcripts, verification worksheets, etc.) must be submitted to the Financial Aid Office. Note: Results of applications submitted early for the next school year will be evaluated and students will be contacted late spring just prior to the beginning of that award year.

#### Then-

Once all valid awarding information is received by the Financial Aid Office at Bridgerland, you have met Admissions, and you have a start date in your approved program, you will be invited to meet with a financial aid officer at the college for a Pell Grant Award Meeting. The Pell Grant program will be fully explained to you at that time and you will receive copies of your Award Letter, Payment Schedule, and the Satisfactory Progress Policy.

#### Deadline-

A valid ISIR must be received by the Financial Aid Office at Bridgerland either by the last date of your eligible enrollment or by June 30 of the current award year-- whichever date comes first.

#### How is my Pell Grant awarded and disbursed?

The Pell Grant is <u>awarded</u> in Payment Periods (hours will vary) up to the hours approved for the certificate program you selected. Students are awarded Pell funds from the award year the Payment Period falls within. Up to 150% of a full Pell Award may be received during an academic year (July 1 through June 30).

To be awarded funds under the current year for a Payment Period begun on or after July 1, a student must be able to complete more than 60% of the Payment Period before July 1 of the following year. A student who is scheduled to complete more than 60% of a Payment Period after June 30 of the following year may be paid from the following year eligibility. Students may complete Payment Periods that fall under an award year in which additional Pell funds are not available.

The Pell Grant is <u>disbursed</u> in installments throughout the year. Each student will have an individual payment schedule based on his or her enrollment and eligibility.

#### This is a summary-

Actual awards and payment schedules are determined and explained during a Pell Grant Award Meeting, which is conducted after you have met Admissions, you have a start date in your approved program, and the college has received all valid awarding information.

#### For more information-

For more information about the Pell Grant or other sources of financial aid available at the college, contact the Financial Aid Office – by visiting us online at <u>btech.edu</u> or by calling (435) 750-3279 or (435) 750-3114.

Call toll free at (866) 701-1100.



### need help with the fafsap

Call 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243)
Or TTY (1-800-730-8913) for the hearing impaired

If you have questions about the FAFSA, want to check the status of your application, need to make corrections, change the colleges listed on your report, order a duplicate SAR, or for more information on eligibility requirements and the US Department of Education's student aid programs, go to studentaid.ed.gov. You may also call 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243) seven days a week between 8 a.m. and midnight, eastern time.

### FAFSA.gov