- ☐ Create an expandable college folder where you can store all of your printed information, applications and forms for future reference.
- Obtain your **Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) username and password.** New users can create a FSA ID at <u>fsaid.ed.gov</u>.
- Submit the 2022-23 FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov as soon as possible before June 1!
- Are you a new or returning student? Submit your online application for admission at www.bhc.edu/apply.
 - After receiving your acceptance email, log in to the myBlackHawk portal to access your BHC email (<u>www.bhc.edu/myblackhawk</u>). This is how the Financial Aid Office will communicate important information!
- Apply for BHC scholarships (March 15-May 15) at www.bhc.edu/scholarships.
- Actively monitor your myBlackHawk email for status updates. The first 2022-23 financial aid email notifications will be sent in April 2022.
 - Did your financial aid email ask you to complete additional requirements? Complete them by
 July 1 to avoid delays and dropped classes for the fall semester.
 - Did your financial aid email confirm your eligibility? Don't forget to review the information and resources included in the email notification it's important too!
- □ To confirm your financial aid is ready by the payment deadline, review your *Charges* & *Financial Aid for Term on myBlackHawk*. Allow 24 hours after registration for updates. Financial aid will remain pending through the 10th day of enrollment.
 - Will you owe a balance due? Learn about making payment arrangements at <u>www.bhc.edu/payments</u>.
 - Need a student loan? Learn more and apply by July 1 at www.bhc.edu/loans.
 - Expecting a financial aid refund? Learn how to select a refund method at www.bhc.edu/refund.
 - Need books and supplies? You can use leftover financial aid at either BHC bookstore each semester. (www.bhc.edu/award-information)
- Thinking about adding or dropping classes after the semester has started? Contact the Financial Aid Office first!
- Learn how to maintain your eligibility by reviewing our Financial Aid Policies at www.bhc.edu/financial-aid-policies.

FAFSA Checklist

Create your FSA ID and Start your FAFSA!

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Parent's FSA ID Student's FSA ID Username _____ Your parent must create a separate FSA ID and password using a different phone number Password _____ and email address. Email _____ **Problems creating an FSA ID?** You can Mobile phone _____ submit a paper signature page instead! Select this option at the end of the FAFSA **Challenge question answers:** application. Your FSA ID and password act as your legal, electronic signature. Do **NOT** share them with others.

File your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at **fafsa.gov**.

When completing the 2022-23 FAFSA, you may need:

- FSA ID
- Date of birth
- Social Security number or Permanent Resident Card
- 2020 federal tax return
- 2020 W-2/1099 forms
- 2020 child support received or paid
- 2020 untaxed income (living allowances, veterans benefits, money received or paid on your behalf, etc.)
- Current bank statements
- Current assets and investments (excludes retirement)



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