Each year, continuing students who applied for aid in the previous year receive an email from the Office of Financial Aid reminding them to reapply for aid. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available on October 1 for the following Fall Term.

If you submitted a FAFSA online last year, you should also receive an email from the U.S. Department of Education. Use your Federal Student Aid ID to access the FAFSA at fafsa.gov. (If you do not have an FSA ID needed to complete the FAFSA, visit fsaid.ed.gov.)

Complete and submit your FAFSA to the federal processor as soon as possible so you are considered for all aid programs. Use U-M Federal School Code 002325 to ensure that we receive your FAFSA.

Students receive a Student Aid Report after completing the FAFSA, which confirms that the FAFSA was received. Review the form and respond immediately to any required corrections. (Contact us first if you have already received an Award Notice.)

We will begin contacting students and families via umich email accounts in March, requesting missing information and/or additional materials needed to review your application. We must receive these materials by June 1 for you to be considered for all aid programs.

Our office begins receiving FAFSAs from the federal processor on a rolling basis. We must receive your processed FAFSA by the priority deadline of April 30 to consider you for all aid programs, including grant aid. Although you may submit the FAFSA later, funding may be limited and aid applications received by April 30 will be considered first.

You will receive a umich email when you have an Award Notice ready to view on Wolverine Access (https://wolverineaccess.umich.edu). We assume you accept all awards you do not reduce or decline. This may be done by using the Accept/Decline feature on the Awards page of Wolverine Access.

Required Reading (finaid.umich.edu/publications) is available for viewing and/or printing on our website. This important publication describes actions you need to take to receive your aid and provides additional information about aid programs.

Submit any supplementary materials requested on or before June 1 so we may consider you for all aid programs.

If you do not decline student loans awarded to you (Federal Direct--Subsidized and/or Unsubsidized, Perkins, Health Professions, or Nursing Loans), you will receive an email in your umich account explaining how to complete and sign the required master promissory notes online.

You will only receive this notification for Federal Direct and Perkins Loans if you are a first-time borrower.

Students who return all requested forms promptly and complete all loan promissory notes can expect aid to be paid the first week of Fall Term if they are registered full-time.

You will receive email messages from our office periodically throughout the year. Check your umich email account regularly for important information.

If aid awards are adjusted during the year, you will be notified that you have a revised Award Notice available on Wolverine Access reflecting those adjustments.

Our staff is always available to answer questions about financial aid via in-person visits, email or phone calls. Call 734-763-6600 or email financial.aid@umich.edu if we can assist you or your family.