

# I Applied... Now What?

So, you've applied to college. Congratulations!

Applying is one of the first steps on your path to attending to college, but simply submitting an application is not the only item that should be on your task list.

Once you've submitted your application, make sure you've turned in everything you need in order for the college to consider you as a potential student. Different colleges have different application requirements. You may need to:

- Submit an application fee
- Send your transcript to the college
- Submit letters of recommendation
- Submit an essay
- Send any college transcripts from dual-credit courses to the college
- Send your AP scores to the college

Even after you have applied to a college, there's still work to be done before you make your decision final. You should then:

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid as soon after January 1 as possible
- Go to [www.iowaCollegeAid.gov](http://www.iowaCollegeAid.gov) to learn about state and federal financial aid opportunities
- Check out college and university websites to see what scholarships are offered
- Use the scholarship finder at [www.IHaveAPlanIowa.gov](http://www.IHaveAPlanIowa.gov) to search for scholarships and grants

After you have gained admissions to a college, explored all of your options and made your final decision on where you will attend, be sure to do the following:

- Determine whether you will be living on or off campus
- Submit a housing request and room deposit if you will be living on campus
- Register for orientation
- Enroll in classes