### **ACG Eligibility Questions**















### **Academic Competitiveness Grant**

Recent changes in Federal law have created a new student aid grant program called the Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG). To be eligible for this grant a student must:

- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be eligible for a Federal Pell Grant
- Be a first or second year undergraduate student
- Have completed a rigorous high school program of study after January 1, 2005
- Be enrolled full-time in a two or four year degree program.

To determine if you may be eligible for an ACG, select "ACG eligiblity".

You can also make corrections to your processed FAFSA. To make corrections to your processed FAFSA select Next.





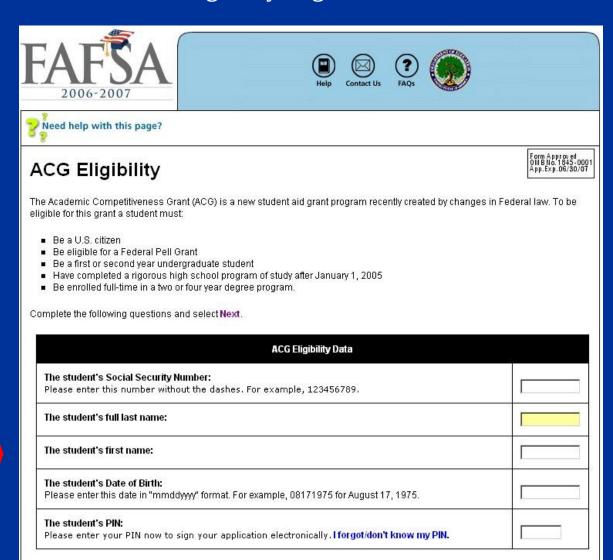








#### **ACG Eligibility Login Screen**



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# **ACG Eligibility Data Screen 1**















#### ACG Eligibility Data

Based on the information reported on your 2006-2007 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), you (the student) may be eligible for an ACG depending upon the type of courses that you completed in high school. We will need to ask you some additional questions.

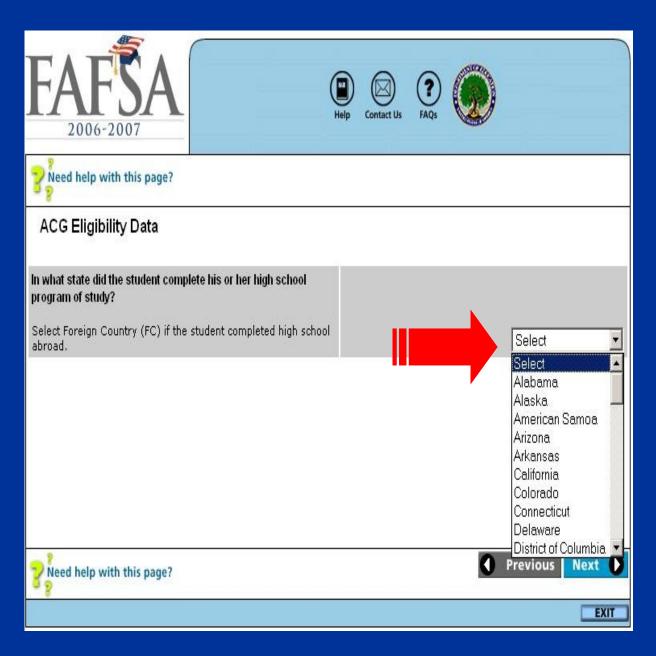
Did or will the student complete his or her high school program of study after January 1, 2005?





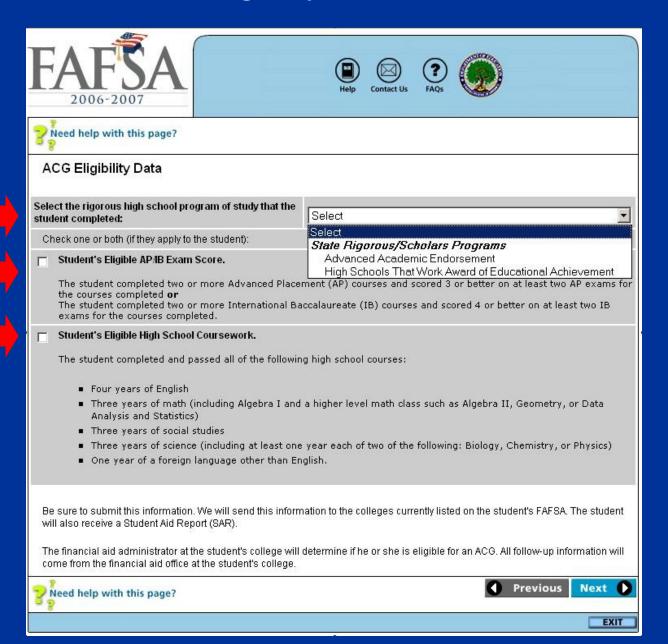


## **ACG Eligibility Data Screen 2**





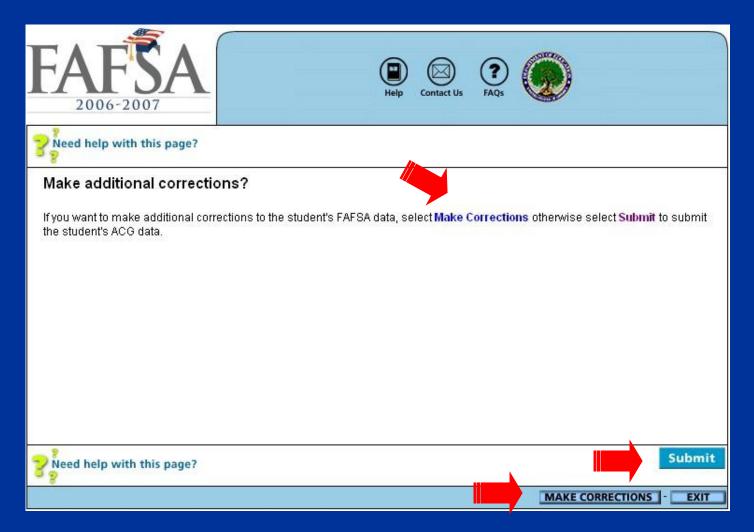
### **ACG Eligibility Data Screen 3**





# **ACG Submit Page**





#### **ACG Confirmation Page**















#### Corrections on the Web Submission Confirmation

**Congratulations, Christopher!** Your ACG Eligibility Data was successfully submitted to the U.S. Department of Education. The corrections form has also been processed.

Your confirmation number is: G 888206789 SM 06/23/2006 15:43:50

Print and keep this page for your records. If you don't have a printer, write down the COMPLETE confirmation number, date, and time, and keep it for your records. This confirmation number is proof that your ACG Eligibility Data was received and processed by the U.S. Department of Education.

#### Your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is: 0

Your EFC is based on the information you provided on this corrections form. It may change depending on your school's verification of information you provided. The EFC is used to determine your eligibility for federal student aid. An official EFC will also be included on your Student Aid Report (SAR) based on the processing results of your corrections form.

For more information about the EFC go to **www.studentaid.ed.gov**, select "Funding" then "Student Aid Eligibility" and scroll down to "How will I know what I'm eligible for?"

#### What Happens Now?

**A.** Your corrections form has been processed. You can check the status of your application by going to www.fafsa.ed.gov and selecting the **Check status of a submitted FAFSA or Print a Signature Page** option under **FAFSA Follow-Up**.

#### B. Receive and review your Student Aid Report (SAR).

You can print a copy of your SAR by selecting the **Student Access** link, or by selecting the **View and Print Your Student Aid Report** option under the **FAFSA Follow-up** section of the home page.

#### C. Enter our address into your e-mail address book.

Some e-mail providers will only deliver messages to your inbox if the sender's address is listed in your address book. Please add our originating address to your address book: cpsnotify@cpsemail.ed.gov.

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**Exit to FAFSA Home** 



#### **SMART Self Test**

## NATIONAL SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS ACCESS TO RETAIN TALENT GRANT OR NATIONAL SMART GRANT

A National SMART Grant will provide up to \$4,000 for each of the third and fourth years of undergraduate study to full-time students who are U.S. citizens, eligible for a Federal Pell Grant, and majoring in physical, life, or computer sciences, mathematics, technology, or engineering or in a foreign language determined critical to national security. The student must also have maintained a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0 in coursework required for the major. The National SMART Grant award is in addition to the student's Pell Grant award.

To be eligible to receive a National SMART Grant, you must be able to answer YES to all of the following questions:

- 1. Are you a US citizen?
- 2. Are you eligible to receive a Pell Grant?
- 3. Are you enrolled as a full-time third or fourth year student in a baccalaureate degree program?
- 4. Do you have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average?
- Are you currently enrolled in an eligible major in one of the following categories: Computer Science, Engineering, Critical Foreign Languages, Life Sciences, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Technology, or Multidisciplinary Studies? (Please click below to view complete list of eligible majors).

If you could not answer YES to <u>all</u> of the above questions, you do not qualify to receive a National SMART Grant. However, you may still qualify to receive other types of federal student financial aid. If you have not completed a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), please go to <a href="www.fafsa.ed.gov">www.fafsa.ed.gov</a> and apply today.

If you answered YES to <u>all</u> of the above questions and you have already submitted a FAFSA form, please contact the Financial Aid Office at your school to identify yourself as a potentially eligible student.

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http://www.ifap.ed.gov/dpcletters/attachments/GEN0606A.pdf

