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ALABAMA STUDENTS CAN APPLY TO COLLEGE THIS WEEK WITHOUT FEES!

This Special Statewide Application Event is Being Held November 4-8

Montgomery, Ala. – Alabama K-12 schools are creating a strong “college-going culture,” and promoting the real benefits of college preparation, career readiness, and community service.

Thousands of Alabama students are taking the next step in their promising futures this week. They are applying to top colleges and universities nationwide during the 2019 Alabama College Application Week celebration, on November 4-8.

Alabama College Application Week was started seven years ago to increase the overall number of students in our state applying to, and ultimately enrolling in, postsecondary education. This year’s event is focusing on increasing the number of young people, especially first-generation and low-income students, pursuing college degrees.

During this celebration, high schools statewide will be hosting local college application fairs. Students will attend and submit applications to colleges across the country. Last year, more than 400 Alabama schools participated, with an estimated 52,000 Alabama students applying to colleges nationwide.

Several colleges have waived application fees for this year’s event!

The following colleges and universities have officially waived their application fees this week to allow Alabama students participating in ALCAC Week 2019, to submit their applications to their institutions at no cost:

- Alabama A&M University – Alabama (applications submitted online)
- Alabama State University – Alabama
- Athens State University – Alabama
- Alcorn State University - Mississippi
- Auburn University -Alabama (must use code: ALCAC2019)
- Auburn University at Montgomery - Alabama
- Belhaven University - Mississippi
- Belmont Abbey College - North Carolina
- Berea College - Kentucky
- Berry College - Georgia
- Claflin University - South Carolina
- Cumberland University – Tennessee (confirm application, but do not pay the final fee)
- Delta State University - Mississippi
- Eastern Kentucky University – Kentucky (use code: ALCAC2019)

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- Edward Waters College – Florida
- Faulkner University- Alabama (use code Waiverweek)
- Florida A & M University- Florida (will accept NACAC, SAT and ACT Fee Waiver)
- Florida Southern College - Florida
- Fort Valley State University – Georgia (also providing instate tuition to Alabama students)
- Fortis College – Alabama (application fee included in applicant financial aid package)
- Georgia Southwestern State University- Georgia
- Huntingdon College- Alabama
- Jackson State University - Mississippi
- Jacksonville State University – Alabama (use code: JAX2020)
- Judson College - Alabama
- Keiser University - Florida
- Life University – Georgia (use code: LIFEPS)
- Lipscomb University – Tennessee
- Marion Military Institute – Alabama
- Mercer University – Georgia (use code: GOMERCER)
- Miles College - Alabama
- Mississippi College-Mississippi
- Mississippi Valley State University- Mississippi
- Northwest Florida State College - Florida
- Selma University - Alabama
- Spring Hill College - Alabama
- Stillman College – Alabama
- Talladega College – Alabama
- University of Alabama – Alabama (use UA Undergrad Free App Code)
- Troy University – Alabama (use code: ALCAC2019)
- Tuskegee University – Alabama (paper application only - must be sent in)
- Union University – Tennessee (use code: BULLDOG1920)
- University of Alabama at Birmingham - UAB
- University of Dayton – Ohio
- University of Mobile – Alabama
- University of Montevallo – Alabama
- University of Alabama Huntsville – Alabama (use code: ALCAC2019)
- University of South Alabama – Alabama
- University of the South (Sewanee) – Tennessee
- University of West Alabama – Alabama (use code: ALCAC2019)
- Western Kentucky University- Kentucky (free/reduce lunch and ACT/SAT waivers only)
- William Carey University - Mississippi
- Wofford College - South Carolina (use code: WCFEEEXEMPTCARD)
- Xavier University - Louisiana
- Young Harris College - Georgia
- Bevill State Community College – Alabama
- Bishop State Community College – Alabama
- John C. Calhoun Community College – Alabama
- Central Alabama Community College – Alabama
- Chattahoochee Valley Community College – Alabama
- Coastal Alabama Community College- Alabama
- J.F. Drake Community & Technical College – Alabama
- Enterprise State Community College – Alabama
- Gadsden State Community College – Alabama
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- J.F. Ingram State Technical College - Alabama
- Jefferson State Community College - Alabama
- T.A. Lawson State Community College - Alabama
- Northeast Alabama Community College - Alabama
- George C. Wallace Community College - Alabama
- Northwest-Shoals Community College - Alabama
- Reid State Technical College - Alabama
- Shelton State Community College - Alabama
- Snead State Community College - Alabama
- Wallace State Community College - Alabama
- George Corley Wallace State Community College - Alabama
- Lurleen B. Wallace Community College - Alabama
- Southern Union State Community College - Alabama
- H. Council Trenholm State Community College - Alabama

*Alabama College Application Week* and the *Cash for College FAFSA initiative* (Alabama Possible) have also been combined into a single campaign to help more K-12 students apply to college early, and complete their FAFSA applications.

“Students need every opportunity to reach their full potential – earning a college degree after high school graduation is a very rewarding way to accomplish this goal,” said Alabama College Application Campaign (ALCAC) Coordinator, Dr. Willietta Ellis Conner.

Last year during Alabama College Application Week, approximately 130 schools had **100 percent Senior Class participation** (*all seniors applied to at-least one postsecondary institution*). The U.S. Department of Labor estimates nearly 90 percent of America’s future careers will require employees to have postsecondary experience – an associate degree, bachelors, or more.

Students and parents can also get information about college scholarships, FASFA tips, and much more at the Alabama Possible-Cash for College website: [http://alabamapossible.org/programs/cash-for-college/](http://alabamapossible.org/programs/cash-for-college/)

Learn more about College Application Week in your community by contacting your local school counselor or ALCAC Coordinator, Dr. Willietta Ellis Conner at 334-694-4764 or wconner@alsde.edu.

Please use the following link to register for the Four-Year Colleges and Universities: [https://sites.google.com/g.pellcityschools.net/collegeapplicationweek2019/home](https://sites.google.com/g.pellcityschools.net/collegeapplicationweek2019/home)

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