CCSSE 2008 Special-Focus Items: 
Student Financial Aid

Please mark your responses on page 7 of the survey under *Additional Items* and not on this sheet. 
Mark only one response for each item.

1. Have you submitted the form for financial aid known as the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to pay for your expenses at this college? 
   a. Yes 
   b. No 
   c. Don’t recall 
   d. Don’t know what it is 
   
   *If you answered anything other than “B” (No) to question #1, please skip to question #4.*

2. If you did not fill out the form for financial aid (FAFSA), what was the main reason you did not? Mark only one response. 
   a. Did not want to provide sensitive, personal information (such as tax or immigration information) 
   b. The form was too complex/complicated to fill out 
   c. Did not think I would qualify for financial aid 
   d. Did not need any financial aid 
   e. Other 
   
   *If you answered anything other than “C” (Did not think I would qualify for financial aid) to question #2, please skip to question #4.*

3. If you did not fill out the form for financial aid (FAFSA) because you thought that you would not qualify for financial aid, what was the main reason you thought you would not receive any financial aid? Mark only one response. 
   a. My income and/or family’s income or savings are too much for me to qualify for financial aid 
   b. I would not qualify for financial aid due to the number of credit hours I am taking 
   c. I would not qualify for financial aid due to poor grades 
   d. Someone told me I would not be eligible 
   e. Other 

4. Did you receive (or have you been notified that you will receive) ANY TYPE of financial aid (scholarships, grants, loans) to help pay for college? Mark only one response. 
   a. Did not receive any type of financial aid 
   b. Received or will receive scholarship(s) and/or grant(s) (money that DOES NOT have to be paid back) 
   c. Received or will receive loan(s) (money that DOES have to be paid back) 
   d. Received or will receive both scholarship(s)/grant(s) and loans 
   e. Don’t know yet whether I will receive any financial aid
5. Which ONE of the following BEST describes the source from which you originally learned about the process for applying for financial aid?
   a. Parents or other family members
   b. High school counselor/teacher
   c. College employee or staff
   d. Friend or other student
   e. Did not learn about the financial aid application process