CCSSE 2008 Special-Focus Items: Student Financial Aid

Please mark your responses on page 7 of the survey under *Additional Items* and <u>not on this sheet</u>.

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 <u>not</u> fill out the form for financial aid (FAFSA), what was the <u>main reason</u> 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 <u>not</u> fill out the form for financial aid (FAFSA) because you thought that you would not qualify for financial aid, what was the <u>main reason</u> 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