

Do You Have a Drug Conviction? Financial Aid?

The question on the FAFSA (#23) regarding drug offenses asks about convictions for possessing or selling illegal drugs (not including alcohol and tobacco) if the offense occurred during a period of enrollment for which you were receiving federal student aid (grants, loans, and/or work-study). When answering the drug conviction question, do not count convictions that have been removed from your record. Also, do not count convictions that occurred before you turned 18, unless you were tried as an adult.

Student Aid Eligibility Worksheet

To determine whether a drug offense affects your eligibility go to the Student Aid Eligibility Worksheet: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>

After you fill out the Student Aid Eligibility Worksheet, your responses will result in one of these answers:

| Answer | Means |
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| 1, No | Eligible. Your eligibility for federal student aid is not affected. |
| 2, Yes (partially during the year) | Partially eligible. You will become eligible for federal aid during the school year. You can become eligible earlier in the school year if you complete an acceptable drug rehabilitation program. |