

# We invite you to participate in our 2018-19 Professional Development Series for School Counselors & College Access Professionals

## Free statewide trainings and webinars

As part of our public service outreach, MEFA offers free training for school counselors and college access professionals throughout the year.



MEFA's annual Financial Aid Training for School Counselors and College Access Professionals includes:

- A financial aid overview, including a review of Institutional Methodology and federal regulatory updates, including both beginner and advanced sessions
- Information on the Commonwealth's financial aid resources
- A session focused on integrating financial literacy into the college discussion
- A demonstration of the *Pay for College* resources within MEFA's college planning tool, MEFA Pathway *Your Plan for the Future*

### Annual Financial Aid Trainings: (5 PDPs) All trainings are 8:00am to 2:30pm

October 25, 2018 at Assumption College, Worcester, MA

October 30, 2018 at Bentley University, Waltham, MA

MEFA's School Counselor Webinar Series offers one-hour webinars on timely, relevant topics throughout the financial aid process. All webinars begin at 10am and last one hour. Sign up for upcoming live webinars and watch past recorded webinars at [mefa.org/counselors/training-and-events/](http://mefa.org/counselors/training-and-events/)

MEFA services for schools and counselors are aligned with MASCA's MA Model and the Massachusetts Career Development Education (CDE) Benchmarks, and may be employed as part of your comprehensive school counseling program.

### School Counselor Webinar Topics:

College Financing

Understanding the FAFSA®

CSS Profile™

Financial Aid: National Landscape & Regulatory Updates

Counseling Families with Unique Circumstances

Having the College Cost Conversation with Students and Families

Helping Families Understand Financial Aid Award Letters

*MEFA is registered by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to provide Professional Development Points (PDP) to school counselors who complete at least 10 hours of training. See [mefa.org/counselors/training-and-events/](http://mefa.org/counselors/training-and-events/) for further details.*

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