

We invite you to participate in our 2019-20 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.



Annual Financial Aid Trainings

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

- A financial aid overview, including federal regulatory updates, with both beginner and advanced sessions
- Information on the Commonwealth's financial aid resources
- Guidance from the MA Department of Children and Families (DCF) on helping DCF students
- An overview of financial aid trends presented by a panel of industry leaders
- An overview and update on MEFA's dynamic college planning tool, MEFA Pathway *Your Plan for the Future*

Training Dates: (5 PDPs) All trainings are 8:00am to 2:30pm

October 24, 2019 at Bentley University, Waltham MA

October 29, 2019 at Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA

School Counselor Webinar Series

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/. All webinars are worth one PDP.

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 Admissions
College Financing
Understanding the FAFSA
CSS Profile
Having the College Cost Conversation with Students and Families
Financial Aid: National Landscape & Regulatory Updates
Counseling Families with Unique Circumstances
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/ for further details.



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