



Financial Aid: Level 1

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Game Plan



What mode
are you
playing on?

Beginner
Mode

• 0-6 months

Normal
Mode

• 6 months-1
year

Hard
Mode

• 1-2 years

Expert
Mode

• 2+ years

FINANCIAL AID WORLD MAP







Student Accounts

Billing & Payments





Academic Departments

Programs & Courses



Federal Aid

Rule Makers & System Servers

FINANCIAL AID WORLD MAP



The Timeline

Before Enrollment

- FAFSA completion
- Aid offers
- Award comparisons

During Enrollment

- Disbursement
- Enrollment changes
- SAP Monitoring

After Enrollment

- Loan Repayment
- Exit Counseling



◆ PLAYER STATS ◆



COST OF ATTENDANCE (COA): \$25,000

The total cost of playing the game
Tuition, housing, books, etc.



STUDENT AID INDEX (SAI): \$5,000

The player's starting resources
Based on FAFSA data



FINANCIAL NEED \$20,000

The gap the game tries to fill

COA - SAI = FINANCIAL NEED

◆ BOOSTS! ◆



PELL GRANT



SCHOLARSHIPS



WORK-STUDY



PELL GRANT



SCHOLARSHIPS

Power-Ups



COA: 25,000
SAI: 5,000
Financial Need: 20,000

• Low SAI

• Need-Based Boosts

- Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
- State Grant
- Institutional Grant
- Federal Work Study
- Subsidized Loan



COA: 25,000
SAI: 35,000
Financial Need: 0

• High SAI

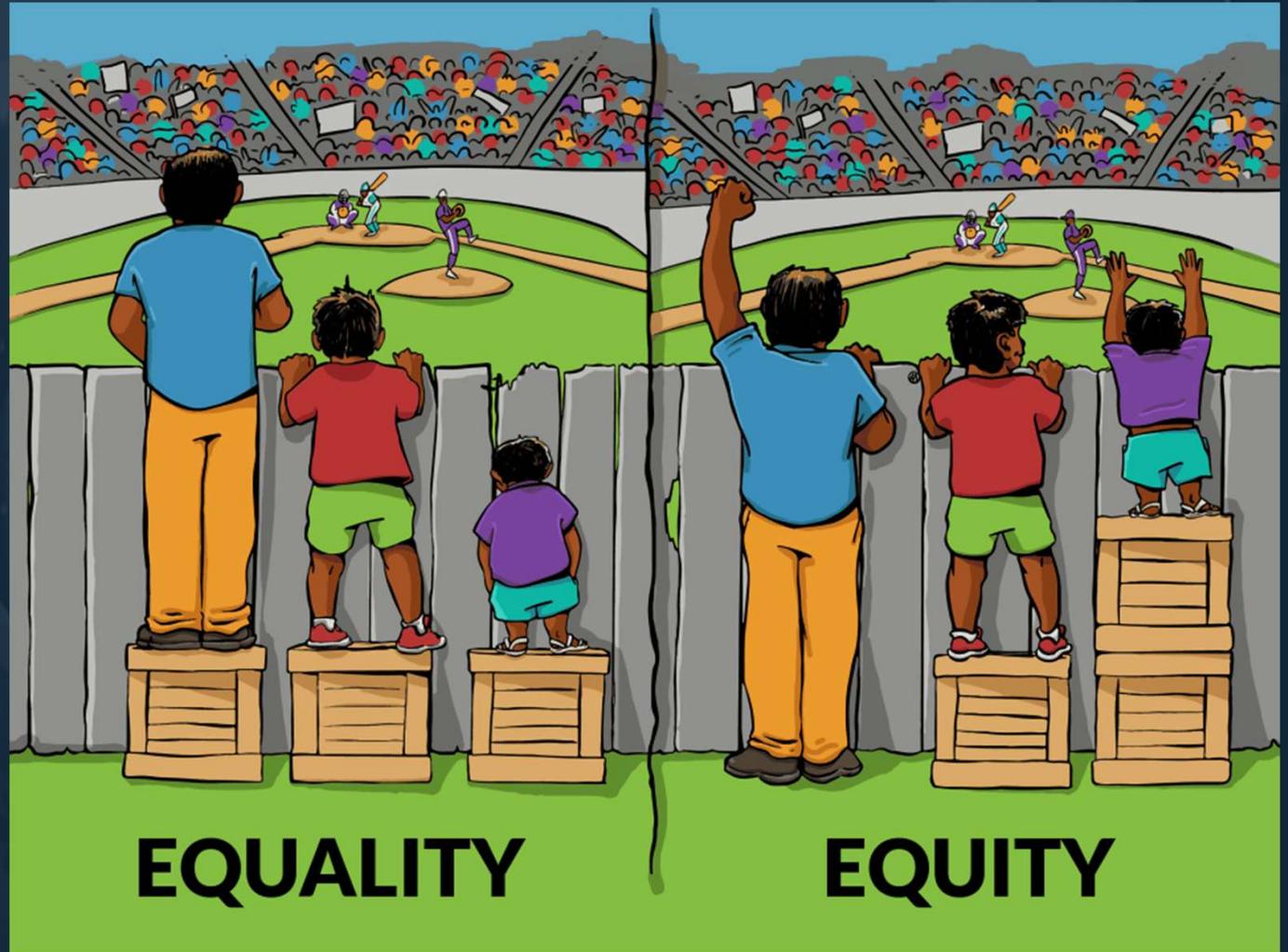
• Merit-Based Boosts

- Scholarships

• Other Boosts

- Unsubsidized Loans
- PLUS Loans
- Private Loans
- Out of Pocket Payment

Equality vs. Equity



Player Inventory

Aid Types (Power-Ups):

- Free Money
 - Grants*
 - Scholarships
- Earned Money
 - Work Study*
- Borrowed Money
 - Subsidized Loan*
 - Unsubsidized Loan
 - PLUS Loans
- *Need-Based

Resources

- NASFAA
 - [Today's News](#)
 - [AskRegs](#)
 - [Self Study Guides](#)
 - [Online Courses](#)
 - [Slack](#)
- FSA
 - [Knowledge Center](#)
 - [Handbook](#)
 - [Training Center](#)
- Webinars
- Conferences
- People!

Survival Kit

- Quick Reference Sheets
- Policy and Procedure Manual
- Desk Guides
- Calendars

Leveling Up:

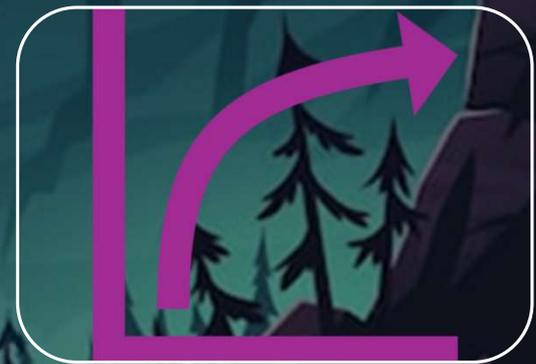
What to Level Up



Communication



Research



Ambition

Leveling Up:

How to Level Up



Conferences



**Professional
Organizations**



**Continuous
Learning**



Boss Battles



Why did you take my scholarship away?

I had a subsidized loan! Where did it go?

What do you mean I'm not eligible for Pell? I have a -1,500 SAI!



But I got that grant last year!

I don't even know what SAP means!

But the FAFSA is wrong!

I need more help!



Why are you asking me this?

I already put that information on the FAFSA!

Why did my financial aid offer change?



R2T-what???

But I dropped a class last year and this didn't happen!

Why does Financial Aid care if I withdraw from these classes?



My friend got
more aid than
me!

But Other
College offered
me more money?



If I get this error
one more time!

Yes, they are
enrolled full-time!

They are NOT at
their limit!



Another dependency
override . . .

You don't even know
what struggle is.

What is wrong with
people!?!





Boss Battles



Final Checkpoint



Big Picture



**Operate Within
the Rules**



**Leveling Up
Takes Time**



Thank You!

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