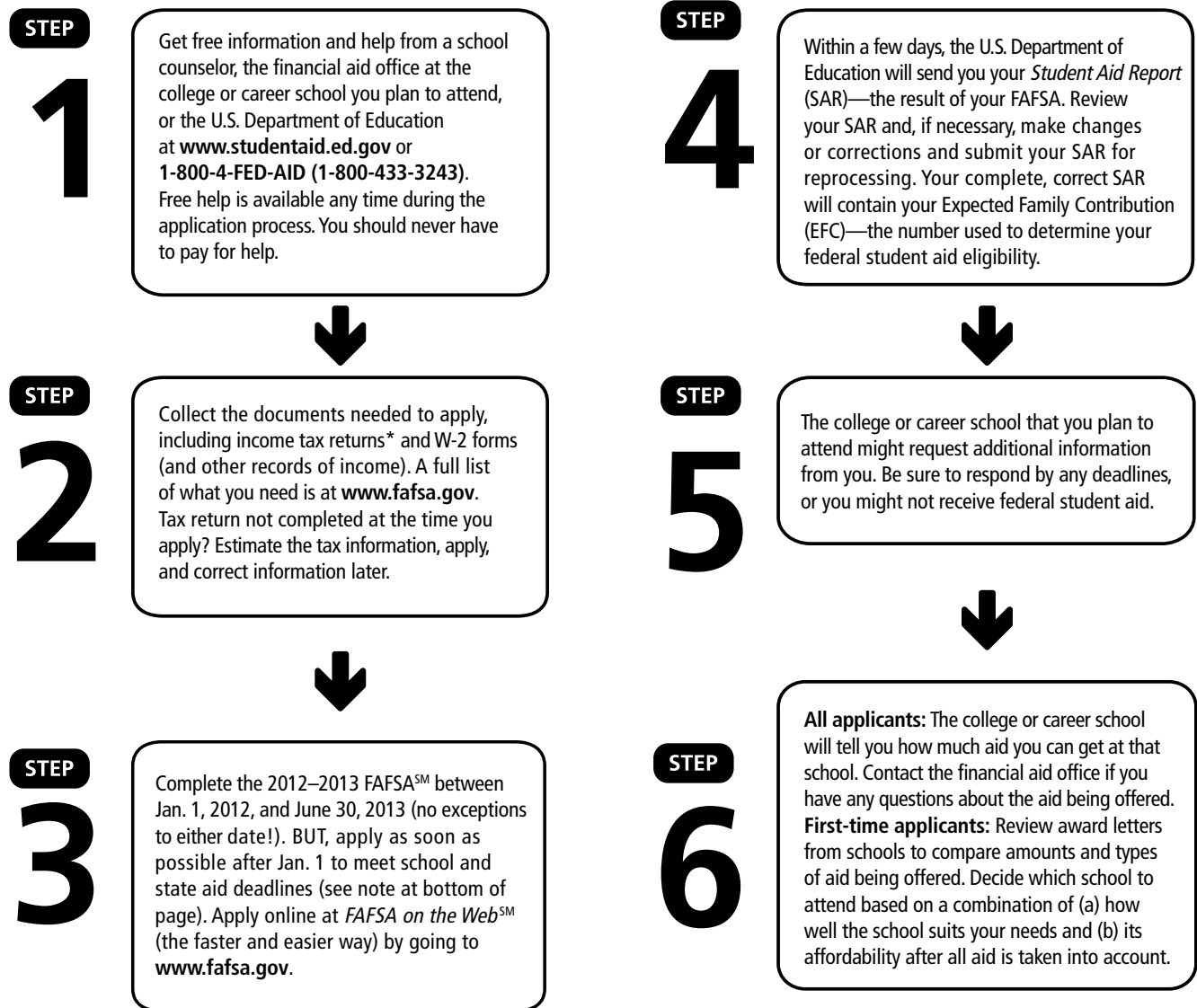


# Steps to Federal Student Aid



**Note:**

*You also might be able to get financial aid from your state government, your school, or a private scholarship. Research nonfederal aid early (ideally, start in the spring of your junior year of high school). You can find a free scholarship search at [www.studentaid.ed.gov/scholarship](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/scholarship). Be sure to meet all application deadlines!*

\* If you file your taxes before filling out your FAFSA online, you might be able to have your tax information automatically retrieved from the Internal Revenue Service and inserted in your FAFSA. The FAFSA will walk you through the process.

