

MEDIA STATEMENT

TO ALL EDITORS/EDUCATION REPORTS

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FINAL CALL TO APPLY FOR NSFAS FUNDING

The National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) would like to remind all prospective applicants that the 2025 NSFAS bursary and loan applications cycle will close on the 15 December 2025 at 24h00 midnight.

Since the opening of NSFAS 2025 funding application on 20 September 2025, the scheme has received a total of **738 117** bursary and **48 097** loan applications from prospective recipients in need of financial aid. Almost **543 357** bursary and **12 210** loan applicants are provisionally approved for funding.

Applicants must adhere to this application process to submit a successful application:

1. You Create myNSFAS account
2. You Complete required information
3. You Submit application.

Who is eligible to apply?

You qualify for a NSFAS bursary if you are a South African citizen who plans to study in 2025 or you are already studying at a public university or TVET college and you meet the following requirements:

- SASSA grant recipients.
- Applicants whose combined gross household income is not more than R350 000 per year.
- Persons with disabilities whose combined gross household income is not more than R600 000 per year.
- Must have email account and cell phone number.

Applicants should remember that timely submission is key to securing financial assistance from NSFAS. Applicants are therefore urged to mark their calendars and ensure that they complete all required steps before the closing date.

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Issued by the **National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS)**

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

The appointment of Mr Sithembiso Freeman Nomvalo as the Administrator to the National Student Financial Aid Scheme is in terms of Section 17A to 17D of the NSFAS Act (Act 56 of 1999 as amended), effective from 11 April 2024 as published in the Government Gazette No. 50482 by the Minister of Higher Education and Training, Dr BE Nzimande.