



National Student Financial Aid Scheme

30 November 2018

FUNDING APPLICATIONS KEPT OPEN FOR THE WEEKEND

The National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) will keep the system open for online applications for student financial aid over the weekend until midnight on Sunday, December 02, 2018.

The opportunity to apply is applicable to all South African citizens wishing to enroll for the first time in 2019 and returning South African students who were never funded by NSFAS for undergraduate studies.

The NSFAS website will stop accepting the online applications at Midnight on Sunday, December 02, and no late applications will be received thereafter. This weekend extension is only applicable to online applications and not applicable to applications that are dropped at the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) nationwide. Prospective students wishing to apply for NSFAS should do so by visiting our website www.nsfas.org.za. The NSFAS application portal is handling over 5000 users simultaneously, who can all submit their applications within 10 minutes from the period they login into the @mysnfas self-service portal.

The weekend window should be used as an opportunity for those with missing supporting documents to submit. We encourage all new applicants to ensure that they attach all the necessary documents the first time – (certified copied of ID for both parents/guardians and the applicant, proof of income, and signed consent form).

At present we have 49 000 applicants that require supporting documents or are having to resubmit due to the poor quality of the documents submitted. We hope that applicants will use this weekend to ensure that they submit everything required so that their funding decision is not delayed. Those that must resubmit documents should do so speedily.

NSFAS has received 363 000 application by 06:00am today (November 30, 2018).

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