# Crafton Hills College Financial Aid Newsletter

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## FREE Tuition & Books this Summer!

The first summer session begins May 30th! Waiver applied at registration.

## Money Smarts

* Making smart choices with your money doesn’t stop with paying for college —students need to be educated about managing their financial lives outside of school, too.
* Create a budget: Start by calculating your monthly income and expenses.
* Track your spending: Keep track of every dollar you spend to help you stick to your budget.
* Smart debt: If possible, avoid taking on debt. If you must take on debt, be aware of interest rates, and make sure payments fit your budget. Contact Financial Aid if you haven’t received your financial aid.
* Save for emergencies: Set aside some money each month in case of emergencies.
* Live within your means: Try to live within your means by avoiding unnecessary expenses and making smart purchasing decisions.
* Educate yourself & ask for help: Learn about personal finance and investing so you can make informed decisions about your money.

The financial aid office offers Money Management Workshops throughout the semester. Call to find out when the next workshop is available

## Basic Needs

Get your money! File your taxes!

What's CalEITC?

California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) supports low-income, working Californians. You may be eligible for up to $3,417 cash back or a reduction of the tax you owe. To learn how to qualify, visit www.ftb.ca.gov/caleitc Stop by Basic Needs for free tax filing resources and information on CA Tax Relief for individuals affected by the 2023 storm.

## IT’S NOT TOO LATE! Submit your FAFSA or Dream Act today!

Attention all students! Don't miss out on the opportunity to apply for financial aid! Even if you think it's too late, it's not too late! Many financial aid programs still accept applications for the upcoming academic year, and you could be eligible for financial assistance to help you achieve your educational goals. [www.FAFSA.gov](http://www.FAFSA.gov) [www.dream.csac.ca.gov](http://www.dream.csac.ca.gov)