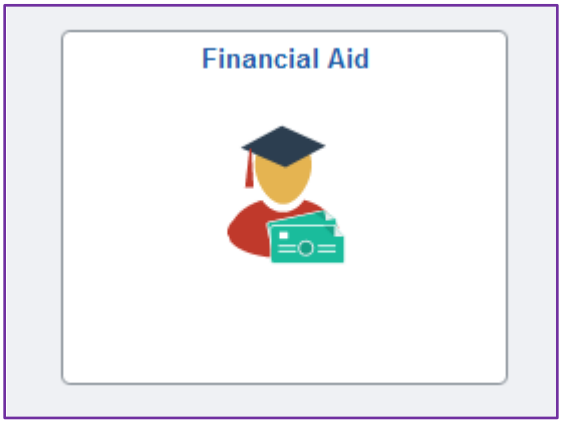
Instructions for Requesting a Federal Direct Loan

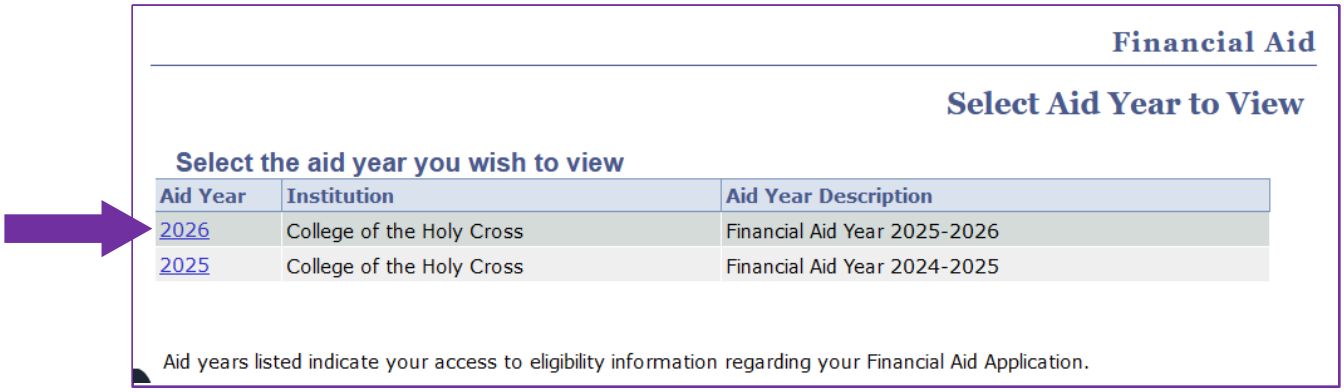
In order to promote thoughtful and responsible student loan borrowing, we may not have included your full Federal Direct Loan eligibility in your aid offer. If you need to borrow additional loan funds to help cover your bill, please follow the steps below.

To request a Federal Direct Unsubsidized loan:

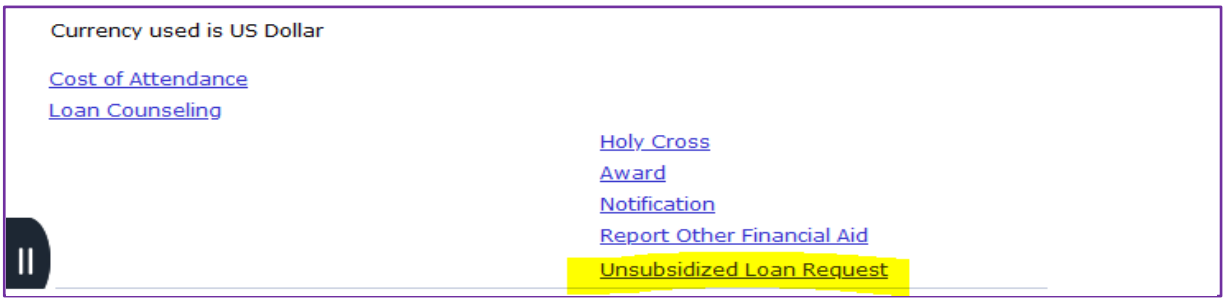
1. Log into your STAR self-service portal.
2. Click on the **Financial Aid** tile.



3. Select the 2026 Aid Year.

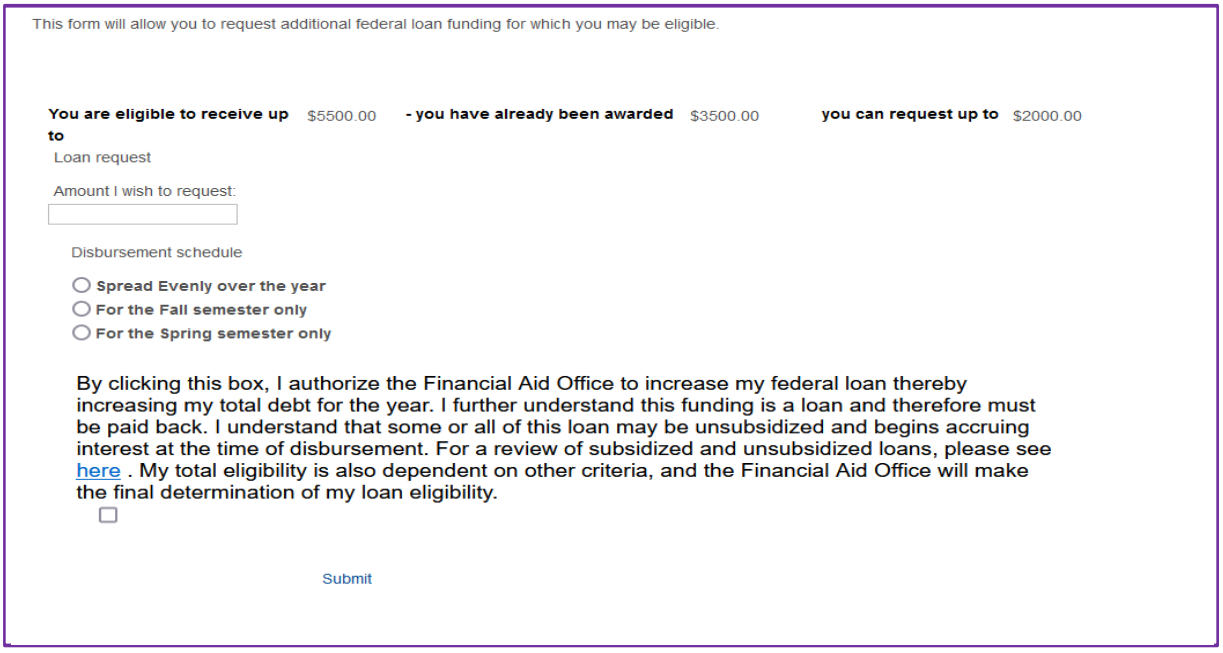


4. On the **Award Summary screen**, click on *Unsubsidized Loan Request*:



5. Complete the following form.

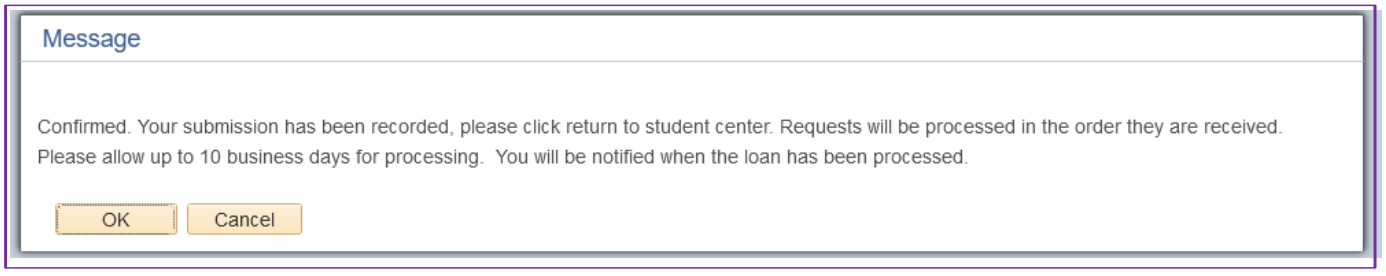
Note: You submit a 2025-26 FAFSA form in order to request the Federal Direct Unsubsidized loan.



6. Use your current financial aid offer as reference for deciding the amount of loan you like to request.

7. Select one of the options under *Disbursement schedule* to determine how your loan should to be applied.

8. Review the statement and check the box to authorize your request for the loan. Then click submit to process your request.



9. Once you have submitted your request, the message box above will appear. *Click OK.*