



## MEDIA ADVISORY

### YONKERS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION (YPIE) HOSTS ANNUAL FAFSA NIGHT TO ENSURE ALL YONKERS STUDENTS CAN APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID FOR COLLEGE

**WHAT:** [Yonkers Partners in Education \(YPIE\)](#), a not-for-profit that partners with students to ensure they are ready for, enroll in, and complete college, is hosting a FAFSA Night on Thursday, October 3rd, in partnership with Yonkers Public Schools, to help hundreds of students complete this essential step in their college application process.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form is used to apply for financial aid for college. Research indicates that FAFSA completion is strongly associated with postsecondary enrollment. Ninety percent of high school seniors who complete FAFSA attend college directly from high school. However, millions of eligible students do not file the FAFSA each year and in most states, high school seniors in higher-poverty school districts are less likely to complete the FAFSA than students in wealthier districts. (Source: NCAN)

The YPIE FAFSA Night is held during the Yonkers District College Fair and open to all Yonkers Public High School students. YPIE Staff and Volunteers help students complete the FAFSA form during this event. Last year, more than 250 students submitted their FAFSA form at this district-wide event.

**WHEN:** Thursday, October 3rd  
4:00 - 8:30pm

**WHERE:** Yonkers High School Library  
150 Rockland Ave, Yonkers, NY 10705

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#### **ABOUT YONKERS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION:**

Yonkers Partners in Education (YPIE) partners with students to ensure they are ready for, enroll in, and complete college. We confront the challenges of a low-income, urban school district by providing families with equitable access to the critical tools and services necessary for college success.

Founded in 2007, YPIE makes a positive and lasting impact on more than 1,200 students each year.

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