

# **Background**

Graduate Miami Dade is the premier local college access network of professionals across Miami-Dade County looking to bridge the inequity gaps in education, with an emphasis on serving special populations, FAFSA completion, advocacy, and pathways to postsecondary success.



## Mission

By developing strong connections in order to provide ongoing resources and guidance to the community, Graduate Miami Dade seeks to be a valued and trusted leader in bridging the area's inequity divide through education.



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64%

Only 64% of students enrolled in college the fall immediately after high school in Miami-Dade. (Source: NCAN)

Simultaneously, a **decline** in **FAFSA** completions has been reported in 2020.

(Source: NCAN)

127%

For students in the lowest socioeconomic quintile, FAFSA completion is associated with a 127% increase in immediate college enrollment. (Source: NCAN)



Florida ranks #48 out of 50 for its FAFSA completion rate, which could prohibit hundreds to thousands of students from attending college.



Billions of dollars are waiting to be used by students who want to pursue careers that require post secondary education, which overall benefits our economy and people's everyday individual lives.



Seniors who complete the FAFSA are 84% more likely to immediately enroll in postsecondary education.

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