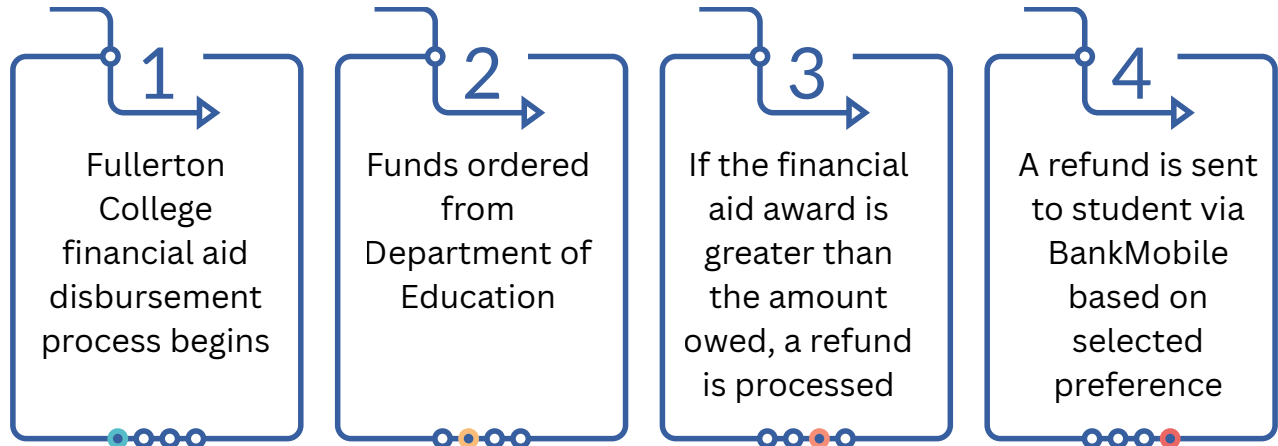


# HOW FINANCIAL AID GETS TO YOU 2026-2027

## FINANCIAL AID DISBURSEMENT OVERVIEW:



### FREEZE DATES

FALL 2026	SPRING 2027	SUMMER 2027
September 8, 2026	February 16, 2027	TBD

### FALL 2026 Disbursement Dates

August 19, 2026	First 50% disbursement of Federal Pell Grant
September 9, 2026	Disbursement of SEOG, Cal Grant A-SWD, B, & C, Student Success Completion Grant (SSCG), and Federal Direct Loans for <b>returning</b> borrowers. Disbursement for <b>new</b> first-time borrowers occurs 30 days after the start of their classes.
October 21, 2026	Second 50% disbursement of Federal Pell Grant

### SPRING 2027 Disbursement Dates

January 27, 2027	First 50% disbursement of Federal Pell Grant
February 17, 2027	Disbursement of SEOG, Cal Grant A-SWD, B, & C, Student Success Completion Grant (SSCG), and Federal Direct Loans for <b>returning</b> borrowers. Disbursement for <b>new</b> first-time borrowers occurs 30 days after the start of their classes.
March 31, 2027	Second 50% disbursement of Federal Pell Grant

### SUMMER 2027 Disbursement Dates

TBD	Disbursement of Federal Pell Grant
TBD	Disbursement of Federal Direct Loans for <b>returning</b> borrowers. Disbursement for <b>new</b> first-time borrowers occurs 30 days after the start of their classes.

Financial aid disbursements will first be applied to any outstanding charges a student owes due to registering for classes. If the financial aid disbursement is **greater** than the amount the student owes for tuition, then the student will receive a refund. However, if the financial aid disbursement is **less** than the amount the student owes for tuition, then the student is responsible to pay the remaining fees. Students should note that not all financial aid funds are disburseable (i.e., California College Promise Grant). Financial aid will be disbursed based on number of units enrolled at the time of disbursement.

## ELECTRONIC DEPOSIT OPTIONS

Students will receive an email from BankMobile with instructions on how to set up their BankMobile account. Students must follow the steps to choose their preference on how to receive the financial aid refund. **Students can set up or edit their BankMobile account by navigating to myGateway > Student Tools > BankMobile.**

## HOW TO TRACK YOUR DISBURSEMENT

Disbursements begin the Wednesday before the first week of the semester. All eligible students who have met the priority filing date of May 30, 2026 and who meet Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) will be considered for the first disbursement. Once a student is awarded and registered for classes, Fullerton College must verify that the student is not receiving financial aid at another College or University, which, depending on when you register, may hold disbursement for ten days. (See Transfer Monitoring section of the Financial Aid Consumer Brochure for more information.) Some classes begin later in the semester, which means that the disbursement process for those classes will begin after the classes start. For details, please contact the Financial Aid Office.

Students will see a negative balance on myGateway once the disbursement process has started. After Fullerton College makes a request for payment, **it may take 5-10 business days (excluding weekends and holidays) for the refunds to be processed and transferred to the student's selected refund preference.** The negative balance will disappear from the student's account once the refund has been transferred to BankMobile Disbursements, a technology solution, powered by BMTX, Inc. Students who are setup to receive BankMobile Disbursements emails and/or text messages will be notified once the refund has been deposited into their selected refund preference. All grant disbursements are based on the number of units enrolled at the time of the freeze date for the semester (last day to add classes). Note: Disbursement dates are subject to change without notice.

## IMPORTANT DISBURSEMENT INFORMATION

- Students must be eligible and meet all requirements for any of the listed financial aid awards in order to receive a disbursement.
- Students must be enrolled in at least 6 units at Fullerton College or Cypress College to receive a disbursement of Federal Direct Loans, SEOG, and A-SWD, B, & C.
- If a student is enrolled in less than full-time status (12 or more units), the student's aid may be prorated accordingly.
- Students enrolled in all online classes may have a disbursement hold placed on their account. The hold will be lifted after the semester's freeze date.
- Federal Direct Loans are disbursed in two equal installments for fall and spring semesters to equal 100% of the requested amount.
- Disbursement dates for Cal Grant A-SWD, B, & C, and Student Success Completion Grant (SSCG) are subject to state funding.
- Disbursement dates will vary for classes that begin after the start of the semester.

