

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** it is critical to the state's workforce and economic development that Vermont students obtain postsecondary credentials or career training after high school; and
- WHEREAS,** it is estimated that 7 out of 10 jobs in Vermont require a postsecondary degree or certification; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont has set a goal that 70 percent of Vermonters will hold a college degree or postsecondary credential by 2025; and
- WHEREAS,** applying for financial aid is the first step in qualifying for funding to pay for college and career training programs; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont's FAFSA Completion Initiative provides assistance to Vermont students and their families in filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid; and
- WHEREAS,** Vermont's FAFSA Completion Initiative goal is to have 65 percent of all high school seniors complete the FAFSA.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 2017

**FAFSA FILING MONTH**

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 28th day of September, A.D. 2017.

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Philip B. Scott  
Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brittney L. Wilson", is written over a horizontal line.  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs