Financial Aid Cheat Sheet

1. File FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov, then immediately review your SAR's and its comments regarding any flagged items. Make FAFSA corrections as necessary.

2. After your FAFSA corrections have been made and 3 to 5 business days have passed, check your application status on the BC web site, www.broward.edu.
   - Log into your MyBC account
   - Click “Financial Aid”
   - Click “Application Status”, then select ‘Financial Aid year’ from drop down menu
   - Click “View Status” button

If you have red flags you should try to get them resolved ASAP.

*IRS tax transcript and verification worksheet red flags can be resolved by logging back into your FAFSA and importing your/your parents’ tax information to your FAFSA.

*The Debt Management Workshop red flag does not need to be resolved unless you would like to take out a student loan.

3. After you have submitted your red-flagged paperwork and 3 to 5 business days have passed, confirm that red flags are gone.
   - Log into your MyBC account
   - Click “Financial Aid”
   - Click “Application Status”, then select ‘Financial Aid year’ from drop down menu
   - Click “View Status” button

If you have the “Required Documents (0)” message you have successfully resolved red flags

*You should now check your award status by clicking the “View Award” button

4. Confirm final award amount for the term based on your number of credit hours enrolled. Award amounts are recalculated based on enrollment. If you change your enrollment, your award amounts

5. Confirm money for books. Total Aid for Term – Tuition Amount for Term = Book $

6. Confirm refund amount. Total Aid for Term – Tuition & Books = Refund Amount

7. Confirm Summer Pell. Less than fulltime (12 credits) enrollment for Fall and/or Winter = Summer Pell

8. Maintain eligibility. You should always try to successfully complete all classes that you attempt with a grade of “C” or better.