The Execution Phase

- 1. Complete the CSS Profile (only if applying to highly selectives) after Oct 1
- 2. Complete the FAFSA after January 1
- 3. List all colleges where student has applied on FAFSA
- 4. Appeal if appropriate
- 5. Complete verification process if requested
- 6. Await award letters
- 7. Compare each college's net cost
- 8. Determine merits of conversation with number one college choice
- 9. Make final college decision (May 1)
- **10.** Research parent loan options (if borrowing is determined)
- **11.** Have student hunt for campus employment (summer)
- **12.** Have student take online loan class
- **13.** Have student sign promissory note
- 14. Establish payment plan with college choice