



National Student Financial Aid Scheme

## CIRCULAR NOTICE NO.9 OF 2024 (TVET COLLEGES ONLY)

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**TO: ALL TVET COLLEGE PRINCIPALS**

**CC: CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS, FINANCIAL AID OFFICIALS / STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICE MANAGERS**

**FROM: CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER**

**DATE: 01 NOVEMBER 2024**

**SUBJECT: 2025 TVET NSFAS APPLICATION DATES**

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### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this communique is to advise Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) colleges about the opening and closing dates for the National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) TVET applications for all academic cycles for the 2025 academic year.

### **There will be no January 2025 NSFAS Application special window**

Unlike in previous academic years, NSFAS will not open the TVET Walk-in applications in 2025, all new applicants or students who have had a gap in funding intending to study funded programmes for the annual, semester 1 and trimester 1 academic cycles must apply during the current national NSFAS applications window.

NSFAS applications are currently open for everyone and will close on 15 December 2024. Students do **NOT** need to wait for the release of their current results to apply for NSFAS funding for 2025.

### **NSFAS APPLICATIONS OPENING DATES FOR 2025 TRIMESTER 2, 3 AND SEMESTER 2**

The opening and closing dates for 2025 NSFAS TVET applications are aligned as closely as

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#### **OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR**

The appointment of Mr Sithembiso Freeman Nomvalo as the Administrator to the National Student Financial Aid Scheme is in terms of Section 17A to 17D of the NSFAS Act (Act 56 of 1999 as amended), effective from 11 April 2024 as published in the Government Gazette No. 50482 by the Minister of Higher Education and Training, Dr BE Nzimande.



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possible to the TVET academic calendar as issued by the Department of Higher Education and Training. Colleges that are participating in the Centres of Specialisation programmes, should encourage participating students to also apply during the available application window.

- **Trimester 2** opens from 12 May 2025 and closes on 23 May 2025.
- **Semester 2** opens from 14 July 2025 and closes on 31 July 2025.
- **Trimester 3** opens from 08 September 2025 and closes on 19 September 2025.

It is important to note that a student should apply for the relevant academic cycle which they intend to enroll.

The method of application for all 2025 remaining cycles will remain the same, meaning the students will apply for themselves online through the NSFAS website.

New applicants should also be reminded to not only create a profile and consider themselves to have applied but should continue with the process of completing the application until application submitted.

Sincerely,

**Mr Errol Makhubela**  
**Chief Operations Officer (COO)**

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