

# Feigenholtz Encourages College-Bound Students to Apply Early for Financial Aid

State Rep. Sara Feigenholtz (D-Chicago) reminded college bound students and their parents that the application periods for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and Illinois Monetary Assistance Program (MAP) for the 2012-2013 school year are now open.

"Students should complete their FAFSA and MAP applications as soon as possible because state aid is only available until the allotted funding runs out," said Feigenholtz.

"With more students attending college and more families depending on financial aid to finance higher education, it is more important than ever that these applications are filled out correctly and in a timely manner."

FAFSA and MAP are designed to help working families and are based entirely on a family's ability to pay for college tuition.

Completion of a FAFSA application determines student eligibility for the Pell Grant, federal student loans, college work-study, and other federal student aid programs. The application can be completed

Students attending colleges outside of Illinois should check the FAFSA website for alternative application deadlines in that school's state.

Students attending college in Illinois may be eligible for need-based grants for tuition and fees through MAP. Eligibility is determined by the completed FAFSA application and the final grant amount is calculated using the family's financial need, the school's tuition and fees, credit hours and other factors. The maximum grant award during the 2011-2012 school year was \$4,968.

For more information on FAFSA, MAP grants, and other financial aid options for students, contact the Illinois Student Assistance

Commission (ISAC) at 800-899-4722 or visit [www.CollegeIllinois.org](http://www.CollegeIllinois.org).

## Promotion at Central Savings

**Central Savings**, 1601 W. Belmont Avenue, Lakeview's community bank founded in 1893 announced that it has promoted **Bonnie J. Carney** to Vice President. Bonnie has been with Central Savings for 35 years since starting as a part time teller in 1977. Bonnie has worked in and supervised many departments of the bank. She grew up in Lakeview and has an MBA from Northeastern Illinois University.

"I look forward to a