



New Aid Officer's Basics 2026

STAY BALANCED, BE BOLD.

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND  October 5 - 7

Day 1 | Monday

10:45 - 11:45 am	Shuttle to conference center
11:00 - 12:00 pm	Check-in (lunch on your own)
12:00 - 12:30 pm	Welcome and Introductions – Networking Activity
12:30 - 1:30 pm	Cost of Attendance
1:30 - 2:15 pm	Need Analysis
2:15 - 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 - 3:30 pm	Calculating SAI
3:30 - 4:30 pm	Federal Grants: Pell Grant and Campus Based Aid
4:30 - 5:00 pm	Game, Daily Wrap-Up & Evaluation
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Shuttle to hotels

Day 2 | Tuesday

7:15 - 8:15 am	Shuttle to conference center
Before 8:30 am	Breakfast on Your Own
8:30 - 8:45 am	Welcome Back and Announcements
8:45 - 10:15 am	Student Eligibility and Verification
10:15 - 10:30 am	Break
10:30 - 11:45 am	Federal Direct Loans
11:45 am - 12:45 pm	Lunch with the TASFAA Board
12:45 - 2:00 pm	Packaging and Aid Notifications
2:00 - 2:15 pm	Break
2:15 - 3:15 pm	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
3:15 - 3:30 pm	Break
3:30 - 4:30 pm	Professional Judgment & Case Studies
4:30 - 5:00 pm	Game, Daily Wrap-Up & Evaluation
5:00 - 6:00 pm	Shuttle to hotels

Day 3 | Wednesday

7:30 - 8:45 am	Shuttle to conference center
Before 9:00 am	Breakfast on Your Own
9:00 - 9:15 am	Welcome Back and Announcements
9:15 - 10:15 am	Satisfactory Academic Progress
10:15 - 11:00 am	Return to Title IV
11:00 - 11:15 am	Final Game Challenge Review
11:15 - 11:30 am	Conference Evaluations, Certificates, and Closing