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## GIZMO, FSCC Student Email & Blackboard

### Three Systems, one portal (Student Portal)

1. Go to [www.fortscott.edu](http://www.fortscott.edu)
2. Click on the “Student Portal” at the top
3. See “Gizmo Login, Student Email, Blackboard Login”

**Logging into Gizmo:** Enter student ID #, then enter the four digit PIN # you created when you completed your online application.

**Logging into Student Email:** Enter your username (“first initial\_last name\_last four digits of student ID #”). For your “password,” enter the password you created for your email when you applied. \*Contact Advising for password reset. (NOTE: Financial Aid and your instructors will communicate with you via FSCC email, so be sure to check it often!)

If you have login issues with Gizmo or your Student email, please contact Advising at 620-223-2700, ext. 3630.

**Logging into Blackboard:** For "Username," enter your Student ID #, then enter your password (Last four of your social security #. (If the last four start with a zero, then enter the last three digits). Problems logging into Blackboard or can't find your class? Please contact Registrar's office at 620-223-2700, ext. 3650.

### Financial Aid FAQ

#### 1. How do I ensure my financial aid arrives on time?

- Successfully complete your FAFSA at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov) before the deadline each semester.
- Be eligible for financial aid (Meet the income requirements, and meet the completion rate & GPA requirements).
- Make sure FSCC has the following in hand: high school transcript with graduation date and authorizing signature or GED score sheet and, if applicable, official copies of any/all previous college transcript(s).

#### 2. How do I purchase my books with my financial aid?

- This is why it is critical to check your Gizmo and make sure you have the financial aid process completed. If our Financial Aid office has everything they need, then you may pick up a book voucher from the Cashier's office to charge your books to your account. The actual aid is not released until later (see item three below).

#### 3. When will I get my Financial Aid?

- Financial aid is disbursed a few weeks after the semester starts, but no later than 7 weeks after the first day of the semester. Late start classes' disbursement will vary depending upon the start date of the class.

It is YOUR responsibility to check up on your financial aid to make sure everything is all in order. If it is not in order, your funds likely will not be disbursed in a timely manner.

- ☐ Students often learn better if they can hear it, see it, and write it. Attending class often facilitates two or more of these.
- ☐ If your class meets two days a week and you miss two classes, you have missed between seven and eight percent of your classes.
- ☐ If you miss four classes, you have missed between 14 and 15 % of your classes.
- ☐ If you miss six classes & you have missed between 22 and 23 % of your classes.

**If you don't attend class, don't expect a miracle!**

**AN EMPLOYER WOULD NEVER SAY  
'I want to hire an employee who arrives late!'**

## **Student Support Services**

Student Support Services (SSS) is a federally funded program that provides academic support to 150 enrolled, eligible FSCC students. To find out if you qualify, please stop by the TRIO Offices located in the Student Success Center or call (620) 223-2700, ext. 7630.

Services provided:

- Mentoring
- Counseling
- Advising
- Transfer & Scholarship Assistance
- Campus Visits
- Cultural Events
- Tutoring Services
- Workshops

## **FREE Tutoring**

The two keys to successful tutoring are:

1. Get tutoring early! Don't wait until you are drowning; the minute you feel uncomfortable or don't understand something, get a tutor!
2. Get tutoring often! Repetition and reinforcement are critical aspects of learning. The more you see a tutor, the more information you will retain!

### **Where to find tutors**

Contact the Student Success Center (Bailey Hall) at (620) 223-2700 ext. 4300. The SSC offers a variety of tutoring options and times. Contact the SSC for help today!

### **Online tutoring**

Math: [mathtv.com](http://mathtv.com) or [khanacademy.org](http://khanacademy.org)

English and other courses:

[fortscott.edu/helpfullinks](http://fortscott.edu/helpfullinks)

**We are here to  
help you!**

**620-223-2700  
[advising@fortscott.edu](mailto:advising@fortscott.edu)**

- Admissions – ext. 3510
- Advising – ext. 3630
- Financial Aid – ext. 3522
- Registrar's Office – ext. 3560
- Cashier's Office – ext. 5090
- Library – ext. 3441
- Student Success & Tutoring Center - ext. 4300
- TRIO Student Support Services - ext. 7630