

Fall 2026 Federal Financial Aid Refund Dates

Financial aid refund timing depends on the terms in which you are enrolled. Use the information below to understand when funds are expected to be released.

How refund timing works

Fall 1 only

August 24-December 11, 2026

Students enrolled only in Fall 1 generally receive funds after the Fall 1 census date.

Fall 1 and Fall 2

Fall 1: August 24-December 11, 2026; Fall 2: September 21-December 11, 2026

Students enrolled in both terms generally receive funds after the Fall 2 census date so enrollment in both terms can be verified.

Fall 2 and Fall 3

Fall 2: September 21-December 11, 2026; Fall 3: October 14-December 11, 2026

Students taking courses in Fall 3 generally receive funds after the Fall 3 census date, based on total enrollment.

Census date: the date used to confirm enrollment for financial aid purposes.

Important notes

- Schedule changes may affect your refund date.
- These dates apply to students who have met all financial aid requirements and are eligible to receive a refund.
- Refund dates are approximate. After funds are released by the College, they may take a few business days to appear in your bank account or arrive by mail.
- Delays may occur. Have an alternative financial plan in case your funds are delayed.

Refund date schedule

Enrollment period	Pell Grant	Loan - 2-semester loan	Loan - 1-semester loan
Fall 1 8/24/26-12/11/26	October 13, 2026	October 13, 2026	October 13, 2026 October 20, 2026
Fall 2 9/21/25-12/11/26	October 13, 2026	October 27, 2026	October 27, 2026 November 3, 2026
Fall 3 10/14/26-12/11/26	November 3, 2026	November 24, 2026	November 24, 2026
Fall 1 & Fall 2	October 13, 2026	October 13, 2026	Not listed
Fall 1 & Fall 3	November 3, 2026	October 13, 2026	Not listed
Fall 2 & Fall 3	November 3, 2026	October 27, 2026	Not listed

Questions?

Visit the Financial Aid Office in Berks Hall, B107; call 610-607-6225; or email financialaid@racc.edu.