Single Mother’s Checklist
For College

- Apartment or Housing
- Housing assistance if you qualify
- Childcare
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- Food Stamps/WIC
- Job (if you’re going to work)
- Car arrangements
- Enrollment in school
- Financial Aid

Before or shortly after you apply to college you should take the 3-4 months before classes start to go through this checklist and make sure you have the basics covered. If you have to move to attend college it’s important to make sure you have a house/apartment, childcare and a job (if needed) already set up. After that you should check with DFS (Department of Family services) to see if they can assist you with anything such as housing, childcare bills, food stamps and other necessities. You don’t want to miss class to get these things in order. DFS does require that you have certain paperwork so go as soon as possible so you can get your benefits quickly.