

I have been asked to write a reference in regards to my family's experience with College Funding Solutions (CFS).

We signed up to use CFS while my daughter was a junior in High School. As she was our first child to attend college, we had no idea of what was involved in both the choice of and financing of a college education. We found CFS to be very helpful to us in both the how and when to perform the various steps along the way. From the selection of schools, to the filling out of various financial aide forms, CFS helped keep us on track and on schedule. For her, this proved to be very beneficial. The end result is that she was able to attend the college of her choice, and she was able to finance most of her education through scholarships and work. This is not to say that CFS got her all that she received. She did it through a lot of hard work.

Perhaps I could use the analogy of a person who sets out to be a farmer but knows nothing about farming. CFS would be like the seasoned old farmer who comes along and gives the person all the advice and tools necessary to do the work. He may even demonstrate what needs to be done. Now, this help in and of itself will not get a farm crop to grow. The new farmer will need to take this information and the tools loaned to him and get to work. Only through his own hard work will he see the fruits of his labor. But the old farmer was the one who provided him with the know-how.

College Funding Solutions provided my daughter and us the know-how of preparing for and applying to colleges and scholarships. For us this was worth the cost. Each family must evaluate whether or not the services offered by CFS will be worth it to them. Some people would rather do it all on their own. Others aren't willing to spend the time and effort to do all the research and could benefit a lot by the services of CFS. I hope our experience will help other families be able to make an informed decision.

If there are other questions you may have, that aren't addressed here, I would be happy to answer them.

Sincerely,


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