

NOVEMBER
2009

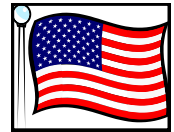
FINANCIAL AID NEWSLETTER

For our students!

THINGS TO KNOW THIS MONTH!

● **VETERANS** - Payments from the VA are 30+ days behind schedule; you can get an advance payment of up to \$3,000 at www.gibill.va.gov Also, please remember to report your enrollment status at the same website or by calling the VA toll-free number (1-877-823-2378).

● "W" grades are always better than "F"but they may have an effect on your Spring aid awards and/or renewal next year. It's best to consult with your campus Financial Aid Office before withdrawing from courses.



● Spring Registration begins November 3rd, and in order to have the most options, we suggest you register as soon as possible.

● [Tuition Pay Plan](#) is available for Spring, and enrollment in the plan ends on December 18th.

● Students eligible and interested in borrowing for the Spring term may complete the Stafford Loan Request Form located on the drop-down menu of your PantherWeb.



● PBCC offers **FREE** academic support through the **Student Learning Center (SLC)**. Tutoring is available to currently enrolled students on all campuses. Check with your campus SLC tutoring staff for more information on: Computers, English Writing, Math, Reading, Vocational Preparatory Instruction and English for Speakers of Other Languages. More information is available at: www.pbcc.edu/slc.

Never applied for financial aid?

....there is *no* "down side", and it will take less than an hour on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov Be certain to use the **2009-10** FAFSA version, and there's even a toll-free help-line **(1-800-433-3243)** to answer your questions until midnight! If eligible, you may receive aid even **AFTER** paying for classes.

You may receive financial aid as a:

- * Full-time student
- * Part-time student
- * And for most of our vocational certificates

*We wish you and
your family a
Happy
Thanksgiving!*

