

**Sallie Mae Donates 1,000 Copies of Paying-for-College Guide to Pennsylvania Libraries and Schools  
*Gift Has Potential to Bring Crucial College-Financing  
Information to Thousands of Commonwealth Families***

**WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Sept. 12, 2005** — Sallie Mae, the nation’s No. 1 paying-for-college company, today announced that it will donate 1,000 copies of its new book, “How to Pay for College: A Practical Guide for Families,” to libraries, high schools, colleges and universities across Pennsylvania.

The 1,000 books, which have a total retail value of \$20,000, were contributed on behalf of Sallie Mae Pennsylvania, which serves colleges and their students across the Commonwealth.

“Over the next few months, tens of thousands of Pennsylvanians will be applying to college and starting the financial aid process,” said Frank Hollister, vice president of Sallie Mae Pennsylvania. “Our hope is that by making ‘How to Pay for College’ widely available, more Pennsylvanians have the tools they need to help make the dream of going to college a reality.”

Sallie Mae’s “How to Pay for College” is a one-stop source for parents, students and guidance professionals, offering an “insider’s guide” to the financial aid process. Sallie Mae is the first student loan provider to publish a comprehensive college-financing guide for parents and students. All net proceeds from the book’s sales will be donated to The Sallie Mae Fund, a charitable organization sponsored by Sallie Mae, for scholarships to help the neediest families access higher education.

Sallie Mae’s “How to Pay for College” provides simple, straightforward explanations for the entire paying-for-college process, including a line-by-line explanation for completing the 103-question Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The book also provides detailed information and advice for:

- choosing the best financial aid package;
- finding scholarships;
- avoiding financial aid scams;
- saving for college;
- estimating college costs and loan repayments;
- making college more affordable; and
- applying for student loans.

Sallie Mae’s “How to Pay for College” is available at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com) and in bookstores nationwide.

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