



## ***Session 33***

# ***What's New on IFAP and the School Portal?***

**"Dr. T" Benjamin McClain**

# So many websites... Where do I start??



# IFAP

U.S. Department of Education  
**FSA Schools Portal**  
FEDERAL STUDENT AID  
No Help For America Through School

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FSA Links & IFAP Database

Resources & Training

- IFAP Home Page
- Conferences
- FSA Risk Assessments Tool
- ISIR Analysis Tool
- Listserve Mailing Lists
- Publications and How to Order
- SAG Software Download
- School Lender Program Data
- Software and Manuals
- Training (IFAP)
- FSA Access to Student Data
- CPS (IFAP/SIR/Processor)

**FSA Calendar**  
December 2003

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Events | Deadlines | Training | NPRMs

Sunday, December 21  
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**FSA Headlines**

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# THE SCHOOLS PORTAL

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**SEARCH**

Keyword Search:

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**OTHER VIEWS**

- Current Publications
- Archived Publications
- Publications by Topic

**SCHOOL PORTAL FEATURES**

- FSA Headlines
- FSA Calendar
- FSA Conferences and Training

**MEMBER SERVICES**

- Audit Guidance
- Blue Book: Accounting/Recordkeeping/Reporting for the Business Office
- Closed Schools Guide
- Cohort Default Rate Guide
- Counselor's Handbooks
- FAFSA and Questionnaire

**Tools for Schools**

- Aids to Promoting Federal Aid
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**Letters & Bulletins**

**Action Letters**

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- Campus-based (CB)
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**Electronic Announcements**

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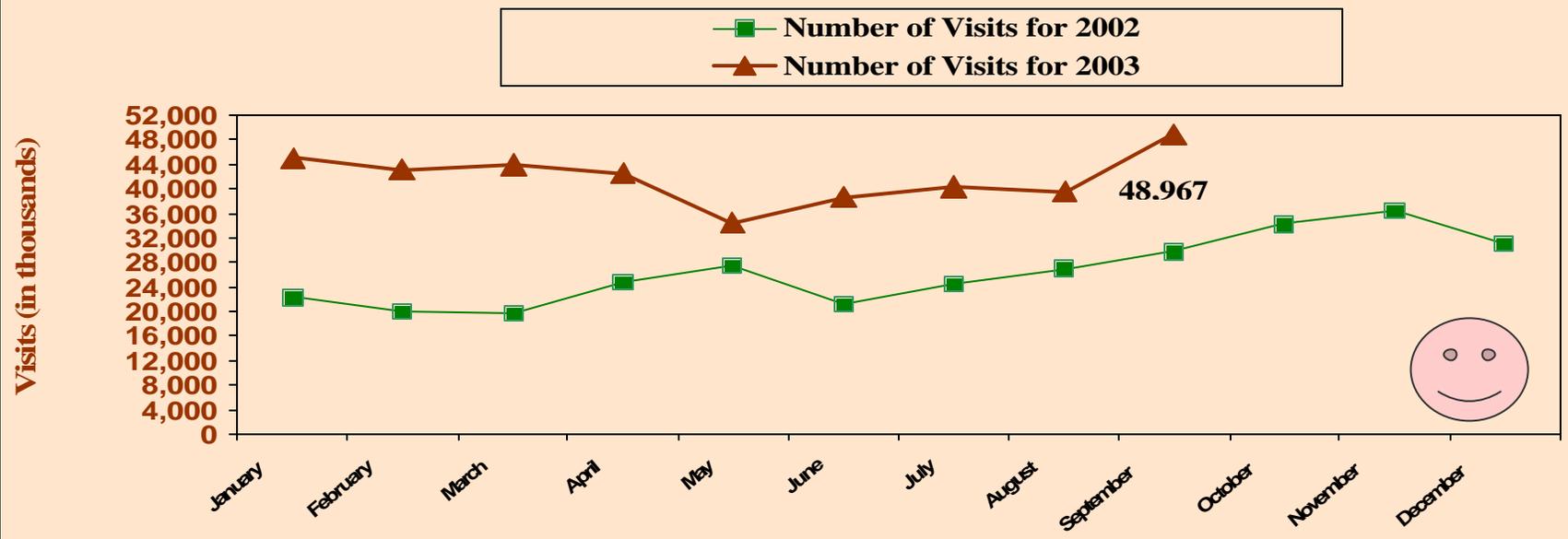
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**Worksheets, Schedules, & Tables**



# Schools Portal-Visits Oyer Time



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# ***Schools Portal:*** **START HERE!** **<http://fsa4schools.ed.gov>**

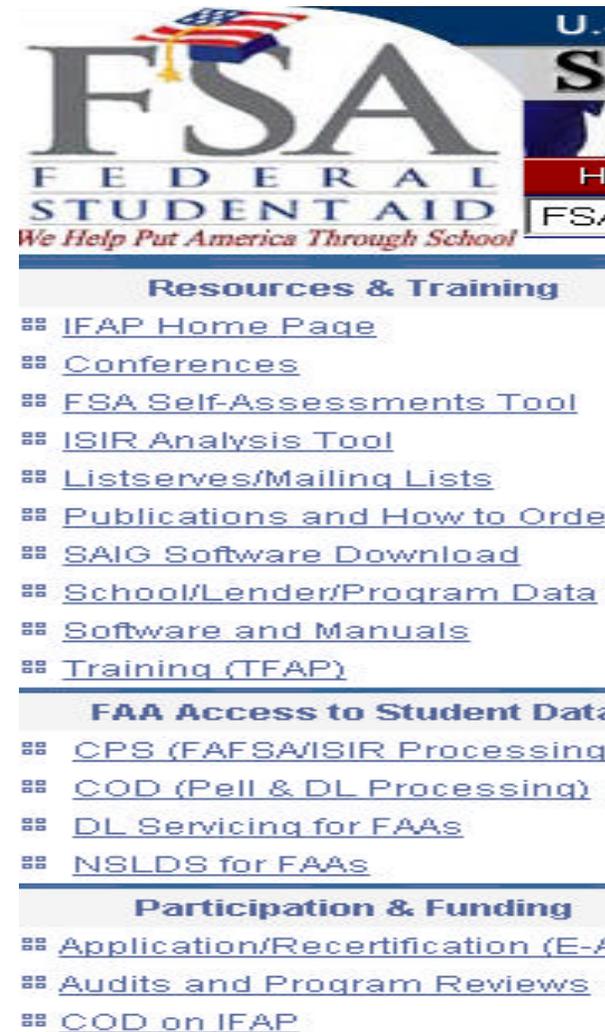
- ***Easy access to ALL FSA websites***
  - ***Customize home page through MY FSA***
- ***FSA Calendar (events, training, deadlines)***
- ***FSA Headlines (FSA News or Policy Changes)***

# Easy Access to All FSA Websites



**Sites grouped into  
three categories:**

- **Resources and Training**
- **FAA Access to Student Data**
- **Participation and Funding**





# ***Additions to the School Portal website***

- ***Listserve/Mailing Lists page***
- ***Publications Ordering page***
- ***School/Lender /Program page***
- ***New Training website (TPAS)***
- ***COD page***
- ***Experimental Sites page***



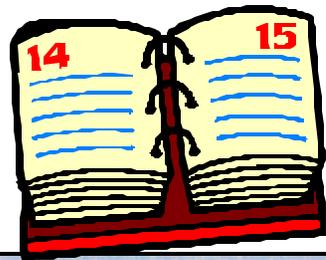
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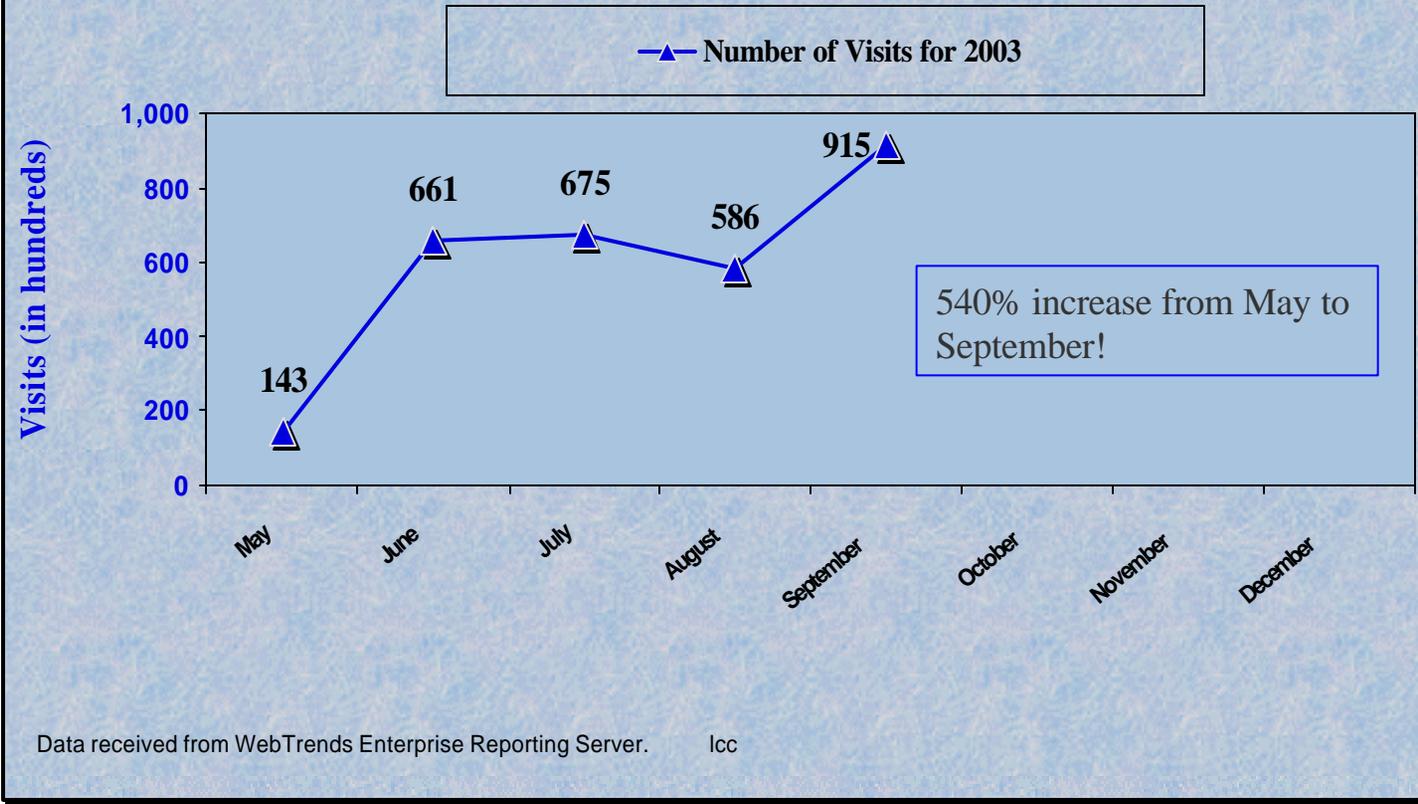
- ***“Filter” the FSA Links to display only the sites you visit regularly***
- ***Add your personal “bookmarks” to your FSA***
- ***Make your FSA your browser’s HOMEPAGE***







## Schools Portal - Calendar Activity





# The FSA Headlines

Welcome to FSA Schools Portal! - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by US Department of Education

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Address http://fsa4schools.ed.gov/SCHOOLSWebApp/index.jsp

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# *IFAP: your on-line library*



- IFAP – Information for Financial Aid Professionals
- Electronic Library
- FSA publications since 1995



# IFAP: the library <http://ifap.ed.gov>

- ***Tools for Schools***
- ***Letters and Bulletins***
- ***Publications***
- ***On-line References***
- ***Law & Regulation***
- ***Worksheets, Schedules, & Tables***



## ***New offerings on the IFAP website..***

***<http://ifap.ed.gov>***

- ***New additions to “Tools for Schools”***
- ***Updated Default Rate Materials for CY 2001***
- ***FSA Handbook for foreign schools***



# Tools for Schools on IFAP

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# Letters & Bulletins



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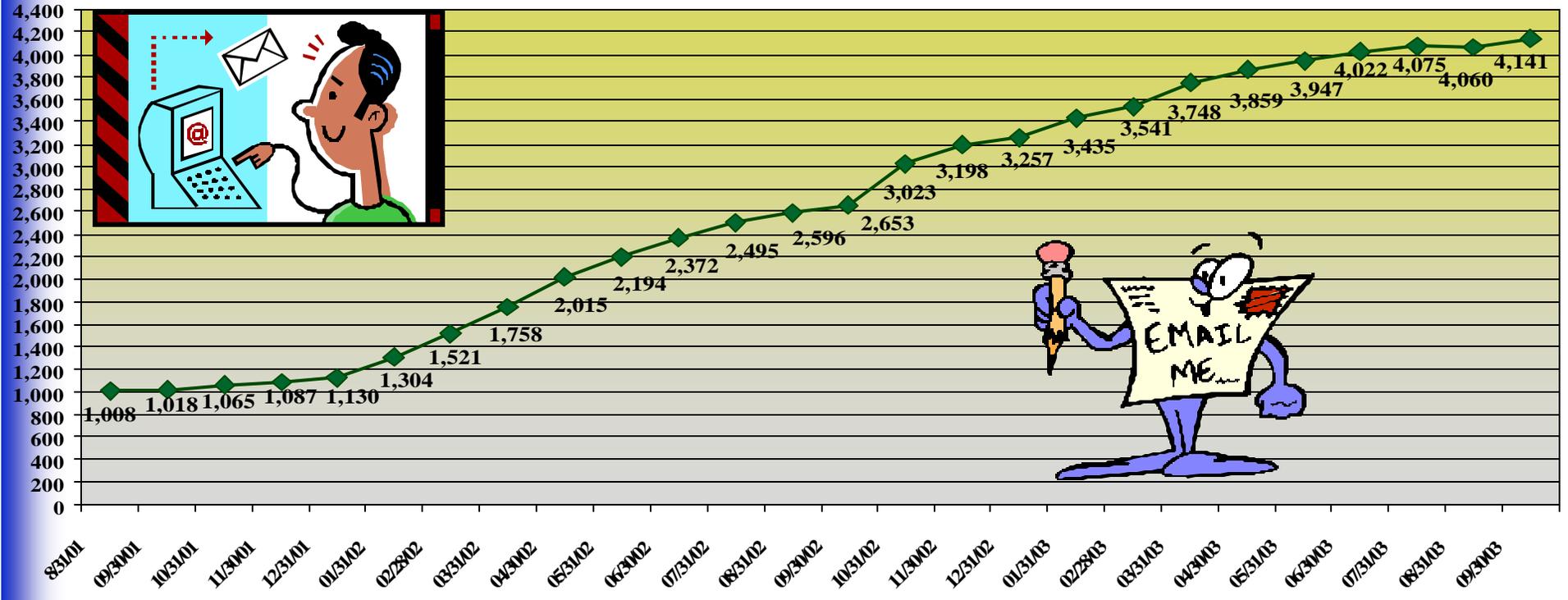
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- Pubs by Topic
- Portal Calendar, Headlines, Conferences & Training
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# IFAP email subscriptions:

## 311% Increase In Subscribers from August 2001 – September 2003



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[2002 Negotiated Rulemaking for Higher Education](#) - The Department of Education and representatives of the higher education community are engaged in negotiated rulemaking to implement Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. Information about the negotiated rulemaking process will be posted periodically on this page.

[Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance](#) - An independent committee created by Congress to advise on student aid policy.

["America Reads"](#) and ["America Counts"](#) -- The Web site for America Reads has been archived, but it contains many suggestions and materials that may be helpful in developing high-quality literacy tutoring programs. While the contacts and offices mentioned on these pages are no longer active, the reports for educators and the activities for kids and parents include much information that is still useful. The Web site for America Counts has been discontinued. Note that schools may still use FWS funds to pay a student who is employed as a reading or mathematics tutor, or a student working with a family literacy project. For specific eligibility requirements, see Volume 6 of the Federal Student Aid Handbook, available at [www.ifap.ed.gov](http://www.ifap.ed.gov)

[AmeriCorps](#) - The domestic Peace Corps engages more than 50,000 Americans in intensive, results-driven service each year. They are teaching children to read, making neighborhoods safer, building affordable homes, and responding to natural disasters through more than 1000 projects. After their term of service, AmeriCorps members receive education awards to help finance college or pay back student loans.

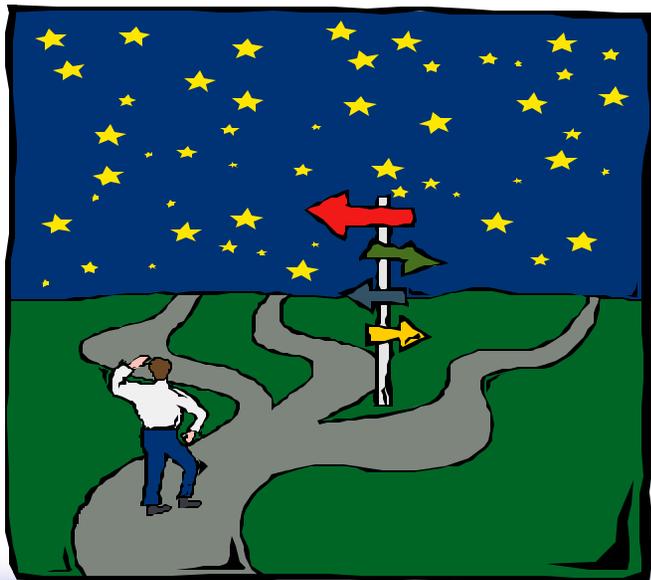
[Application for Approval to Participate](#) - Application for Approval to Participate in Federal Student



# Enhancements to our sites



- Built with the financial aid community **FOR** the financial aid community
- ***You*** determine our priorities
- Please continue giving us your feedback!





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Quote by President John Quincy Adams, 1846.



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