Reduce your staff’s workload and provide more personalized service to your students with no cost or disruption.

**FASTChoice™**—Great Lakes’ online private loan counseling and selection tool—can help you make the most of your time and resources.

- Enables students to make **more informed choices** from among the many available private loan options.

- Provides an opportunity to **deliver timely information** to students regarding loan repayment and consolidation options.

- Offers three **flexible components**—choose **any or all** of them to best fit your school’s needs. Flip this flyer over for more details.

- **Free** for you, **easy** to set up, and **fully supported** by Great Lakes and your dedicated representative.

- **Accessible** from any Internet-connected computer, and doesn’t require IT staff support from your school.

The FASTChoice tool is incredibly valuable when counseling students. The FASTChoice filter tool makes the search for an alternative loan much less overwhelming because it allows students and their parents to narrow down the types of alternative loans that will best serve their needs without having to go to multiple websites.

**Mike Abboud**
Associate Director
University of Louisville
Louisville, Kentucky
FASTChoice components can be seamlessly combined or can operate independently.

1. **Lender List**
   - Provides students with side-by-side loan comparisons of up to five loans. Use it to create either a preferred or historical list, and select the lender display order.

2. **Loan Counseling**
   - Provides private loan counseling to students at all stages of the loan process. Use Borrowing Essentials and/or Repayment Essentials to support financial literacy and help students make responsible choices.

3. **Legal Disclosures**
   - Provides your school's lender selection policy disclosure to students. Use the template provided by Great Lakes, customize your own text, and/or link to a disclosure statement elsewhere on your website.

**Personalized, Ongoing Support**

Your time is a valuable commodity, especially during peak private loan processing. Your dedicated Great Lakes representative is ready to provide you with support, training, and guidance. Once you're set up, we'll make sure you're running smoothly and provide regular checkups to ensure maximum efficiency in the months and semesters ahead.

**Ready for a Change? We Handle Everything**

If you're looking to make a change, the FASTChoice move-in process is simple. You'll be ready to go in no time, with an easier, faster, more effective private loan counseling and selection tool. To get started, connect with your Great Lakes representative or visit mygreatlakes.org/web/go/aboutproducts to learn more.

*We use FASTChoice and love it – especially with the new look! It's very user friendly and easy for potential student borrowers to navigate through the recommended lenders. Customer service from Great Lakes has always been outstanding!*

**Deborah Neu**
- Loan Officer
- SUNY College of Technology at Alfred
- Alfred, New York

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Streamline your private loan application, certification, and disbursement processes with our online processing tools.

Working in tandem, ScholarNet® and CDS (Central Disbursement Service) seamlessly deliver the best features, flexibility, and support in the industry.

ScholarNet

ScholarNet automates the online exchange and management of private student loan data. Schools across the nation use this CommonLine-compliant tool to process private loans smoothly, efficiently, and reliably.

- Connects your school via the web to hundreds of private loan providers across the country.
- Free for you, easy to set up, and fully supported by Great Lakes and your dedicated representative.
- Offered separately or as part of Great Lakes' comprehensive private loan processing solution.
- Accessible from any Internet-connected computer and doesn't require IT staff support from your school.

We transitioned easily into ScholarNet, and send and receive records electronically without error. [Great Lakes] staff are helpful and courteous when listening to our questions or suggestions.

Judy Saling
Assistant Director of Financial Aid
University of Oregon
Eugene, Oregon
ScholarNet and CDS

ScholarNet Features & Benefits

Dependably serving schools since 1999, ScholarNet continues to evolve in direct response to your feedback, emerging technologies, and industry changes to deliver even more flexibility to you. Notable ScholarNet features and benefits include:

- Email notifications to alert you when there are loans to be certified or new reports are available.

- Error recognition that helps catch keying errors or other mistakes before loan information is submitted.

- Reporting and search capabilities that display the information that you need, when you need it.

- An easy-to-read audit trail including date, time, and user stamp for each activity.

CDS

CDS manages the complex exchange of information and funds between you, your business office, and one or more service providers. If you’re currently using manual processing methods, your staff will appreciate the simplicity of this free, time-saving solution.

- Aggregates disbursements and disbursement data to provide a single point for all processes and procedures.

- Simplifies the return of disbursed funds by electronically transferring funds from your school to the appropriate lenders.

- Eliminates guesswork—funds are immediately available in your bank account on the day of disbursement.

CDS Features & Benefits

Established in 2004, CDS works seamlessly with ScholarNet to provide a single point of access for disbursing funds for all your private loan lenders. Key product features and benefits include:

- Seamless exchange of data with any CommonLine-compliant lender, service provider, or FAMS.

- Set up preferences to make disbursements on specific days of the week, or suspend/pause them.

- Automatic lender notifications when disbursement schedules and preferences are changed.

- Reports that display the information you need, when you need it—via subscription or on demand, all within Report Inbox.

Ongoing Support

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We Handle Everything

If you’re looking to make a change, the move-in process for ScholarNet and CDS can be completed in about 10 days. To start saving time and paper, connect with your Great Lakes representative for a product demonstration, or visit mygreatlakes.org/web/go/aboutproducts to learn more.