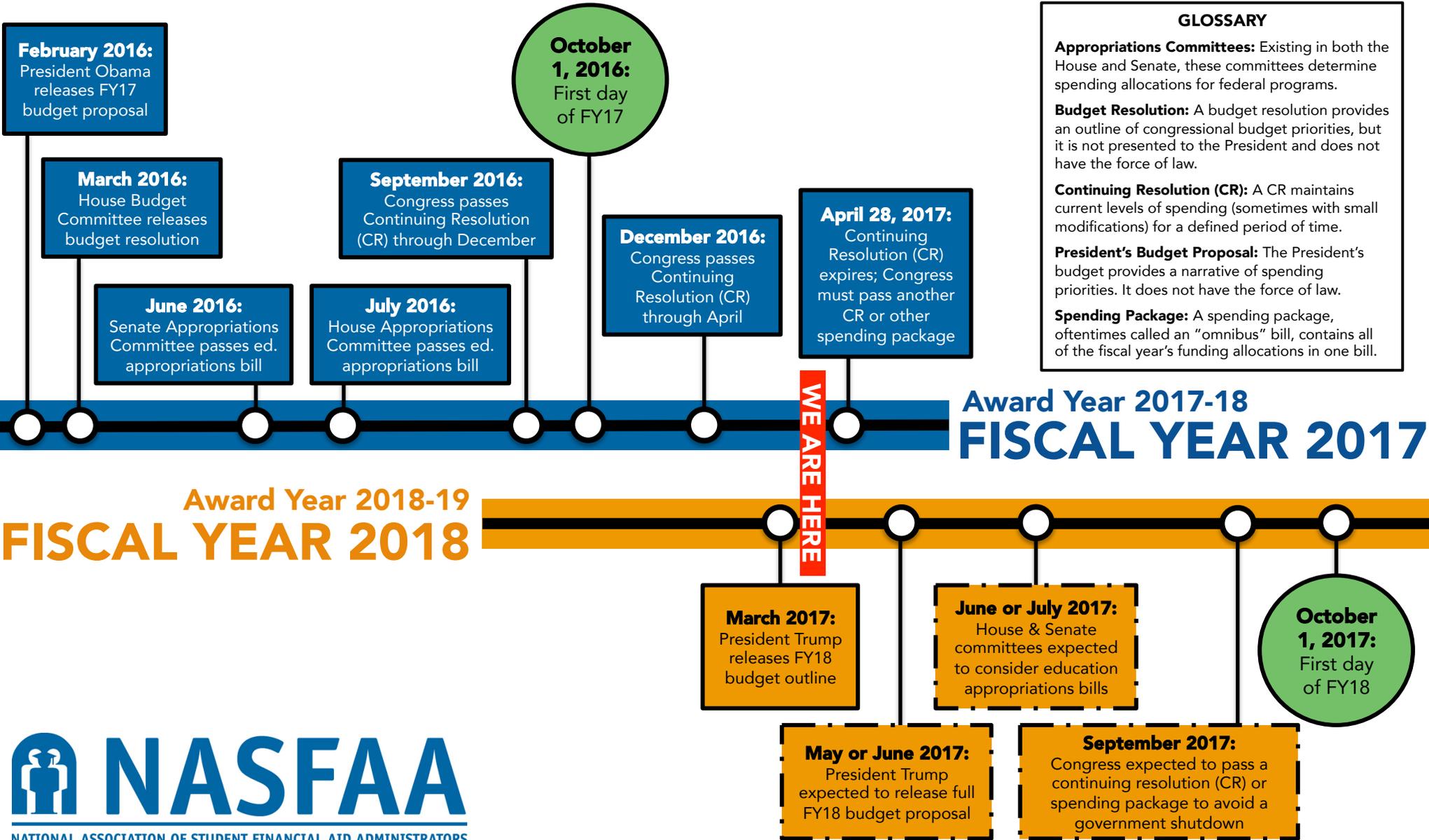


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GLOSSARY

Appropriations Committees: Existing in both the House and Senate, these committees determine spending allocations for federal programs.

Budget Resolution: A budget resolution provides an outline of congressional budget priorities, but it is not presented to the President and does not have the force of law.

Continuing Resolution (CR): A CR maintains current levels of spending (sometimes with small modifications) for a defined period of time.

President's Budget Proposal: The President's budget provides a narrative of spending priorities. It does not have the force of law.

Spending Package: A spending package, oftentimes called an "omnibus" bill, contains all of the fiscal year's funding allocations in one bill.