

THE FIRST STEP TO FINANCIAL AID

# CREATING AN FSA ID

The Federal Student Aid Identification, also called the FSA ID, is the first step to completing your FAFSA. It is a username and password that students and parents create to access the FAFSA and electronically sign the form.



For Students and Parents with a Social Security Number

## STEPS TO CREATE AN FSA ID

**VISIT: [STUDENTAID.GOV/FSA-ID/CREATE-ACCOUNT/LAUNCH](https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch)**

1. Click "Get Started"
2. Enter Personal Information
3. Create Username and Password
4. Verify your Email Address
5. Complete Challenge Questions
6. 2-Step Verification
7. Review and Submit
8. Make sure to write down or take a picture of your FSA ID username and password as a reminder!
9. Repeat the process to have your parent create an FSA ID, too! They will need to input their information and a separate email address.

*PLEASE NOTE: If your parent(s) do not have Social Security Numbers, they cannot create FSA IDs at this time, but they will be able to do so later this fall. More information on this process to come!*

## WHO NEEDS TO CREATE AN FSA ID?

All students need to create an FSA ID and likely your parent(s) or spouse. When you fill out the FAFSA, it will determine if you need to include your parent's information. Generally, unmarried students under the age of 24 are considered dependent upon their parents. Use the graphic to the left to determine who needs to create an FSA ID.

CONTRIBUTORS		SCENARIOS
<b>STUDENT</b> All students must create an FSA ID	<b>ONE PARENT</b>	If you are a dependent student with two married parents who filed a joint federal tax return in 2022.
		If you are a dependent student with separated or divorced parents. The parent who provided you with the most financial support in the last year AND parent's current spouse if they married since January 1, 2023, OR if parent was remarried prior to this date but filed taxes separately from the current spouse.
	<b>BOTH PARENTS</b>	If you are a dependent student with two married parents who filed separate federal tax returns in 2022.
		If you are a dependent student with two parents who are unmarried but living together.
<b>Married Student</b>	<b>SPOUSE</b>	If you are a married student who filed taxes separately in 2022 from your current spouse.
<b>Married Student</b>	<b>STUDENT ONLY</b>	If you are over the age of 24, <b>OR</b> married, and filed joint federal tax returns in 2022.

