



Get Your FSA ID Before You Start Your FAFSA

Students, you and one parent must get your Federal Student Aid IDs (FSA ID) in order to submit the FAFSA.

Go to [FSaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov) where you'll each create a user ID and password to get your FSA IDs. Then, you'll use your FSA IDs to electronically sign your FAFSA before you submit.

Tips to Keep in Mind

- An email address is not required to obtain a FSA ID, but it will help you to have one if you need to reset your password.
- Students and parents must use different email addresses.
- Use the help text to the right of each entry if you are unsure of what information is needed.
- Each of you should create your own account. You should not create an account on another's behalf.
- There are FAQ's on the site to assist you if you have any questions.
- When you create your ID, you can click on the symbols to the right of your challenge questions to review the exact required parameters for your responses.
- It helps if you can access your email when creating your account.
- Keep your user ID and password in a safe place as you will need to use if for corrections and renewal FAFSA applications in future years.
- If you filed a FAFSA previously and have a PIN number, your new FSA ID replaces your PIN number.
- If your parent does not have a social security number, he or she will not be able to create an FSA ID – but you can still complete the FAFSA online.
- After completing the FAFSA, print the signature page at the end for your parent to sign and then mail to the federal processor at the address shown.