

PREPARING TO COMPLETE THE FAFSA?

Helpful hints to make the process a little easier

FAFSA ~ FREE APPLICATION for FEDERAL STUDENT AID



Create an FSA ID

Answer the question to the attached worksheet on a separate piece of paper and keep the information in a safe place. After writing down your answers, click here: <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>

If the person that claimed you on their 2020 Income Tax has a valid Social Security Number, they will need to create an FSA ID to electronically sign and submit the FAFSA.

Different email needed for person that claimed student on their 2020 Income Tax



Gather the following documents to assist in completing the FAFSA

- Your Social Security number (enter your name exactly as it appears on your Social Security Card!)
- Social Security numbers for the person that claimed you on their 2020 Income Tax.
- Your driver's license number (if you have one)
- Your Alien Registration number (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
- 2020 Federal tax information or tax returns including IRS W-2 information, for you, and the person that claimed you on their 2020 Income Tax:
- Records of your untaxed income, such as child support received, interest income, and veterans noneducation benefits, for you, and for whomever claimed you on their 2020 taxes
- Information on cash; savings and checking account balances; investments, including stocks and bonds and real estate (but not including the home in which you live); and business and farm assets for you, and for whomever claimed you on their taxes.



You are ready to complete the 2022-2023 FAFSA!

Click here: https://fafsa.ed.gov/spa/fafsa/#/LOGIN?locale=en_US

Student Demographics

Male students must be registered with Selective Service to receive financial aid. You can register directly on the FAFSA by checking "Register me."

School Selection

Select the college, university, or career technology center you plan to attend. You can select up to 10 schools. You will also need to indicate whether you plan to live on campus, off campus or with a parent. FAFSA will send financial information to the colleges on your school selection.

Dependency Status

A list of questions will determine whether you are considered dependent or independent on the FAFSA. Dependent students will be required to provide parental information.

Parent Demographics

Dependent students must enter information about their legal parent(s).

If your parents are legally separated or divorced, list the parent you lived with the most during the last 12 months.

If your parents are legally separated or divorced and you lived with them equally, list the parent who provided the most financial support in the last 12 months.

If your divorced parent is remarried, list both your parent and step-parent.

If your parents are unmarried but living together, list information for both parents.

If your parent is undocumented, use 000-00-0000 as his/her Social Security Number.

Financial Information

You can enter the specified federal income tax information manually or use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT). The IRS DRT allows users to securely transfer data from their tax return directly into the FAFSA, which is faster and easier. Users must have an FSA ID to access tax information. To learn more, visit <https://studentaid.gov/help-center/answers/article/what-is-irs-drt>

Student Aid Report (SAR)

Download a copy of your SAR and save it to your files. You will need to your SAR information frequently.

Should I fill out the FAFSA or ORSAA application? Use the student filter to find which application is best for you! Click here for the filter:

<https://oregonstudentaid.gov/orsaa-filter.aspx>

BOTH APPLICATIONS OPEN OCTOBER 1ST OF EACH YEAR!

