



FAFSA Demonstration

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Play along!

<https://tinyurl.com/FAFSA-SIM>

Access Code: prototype2526

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Limitations of the 2025–26 FAFSA® Prototype

This prototype has limited functionality and may not represent the final FAFSA experience. For example, since the prototype does not maintain a database, data cannot be stored or submitted. There are no simulated interfaces with systems internal or external to Federal Student Aid. In addition, while the prototype allows users to enter data and walk through the form, it does not include certain FAFSA functionality, such as a Student Aid Index calculation, field and page edits, or validation of data.

The prototype also includes the following limitations:

- Search and other complex interactions are for display only and are not fully functional.
- Selections with school names or cities use sample content.
- Users may experience slow load times for some pages.
- Accessibility features may not perform as expected.
- Tooltips and other help resources may not be present.
- Dropdown and search suggestions may experience performance issues.
- The prototype does not adjust to the size of the browser window or device.

The FAFSA prototype is **not** a release of the FAFSA demonstration site. Instead, the prototype can be used as a simulation. Additionally, the 2025–26 FAFSA form itself is still in development, so it may vary slightly from the prototype and updates to the actual FAFSA form.

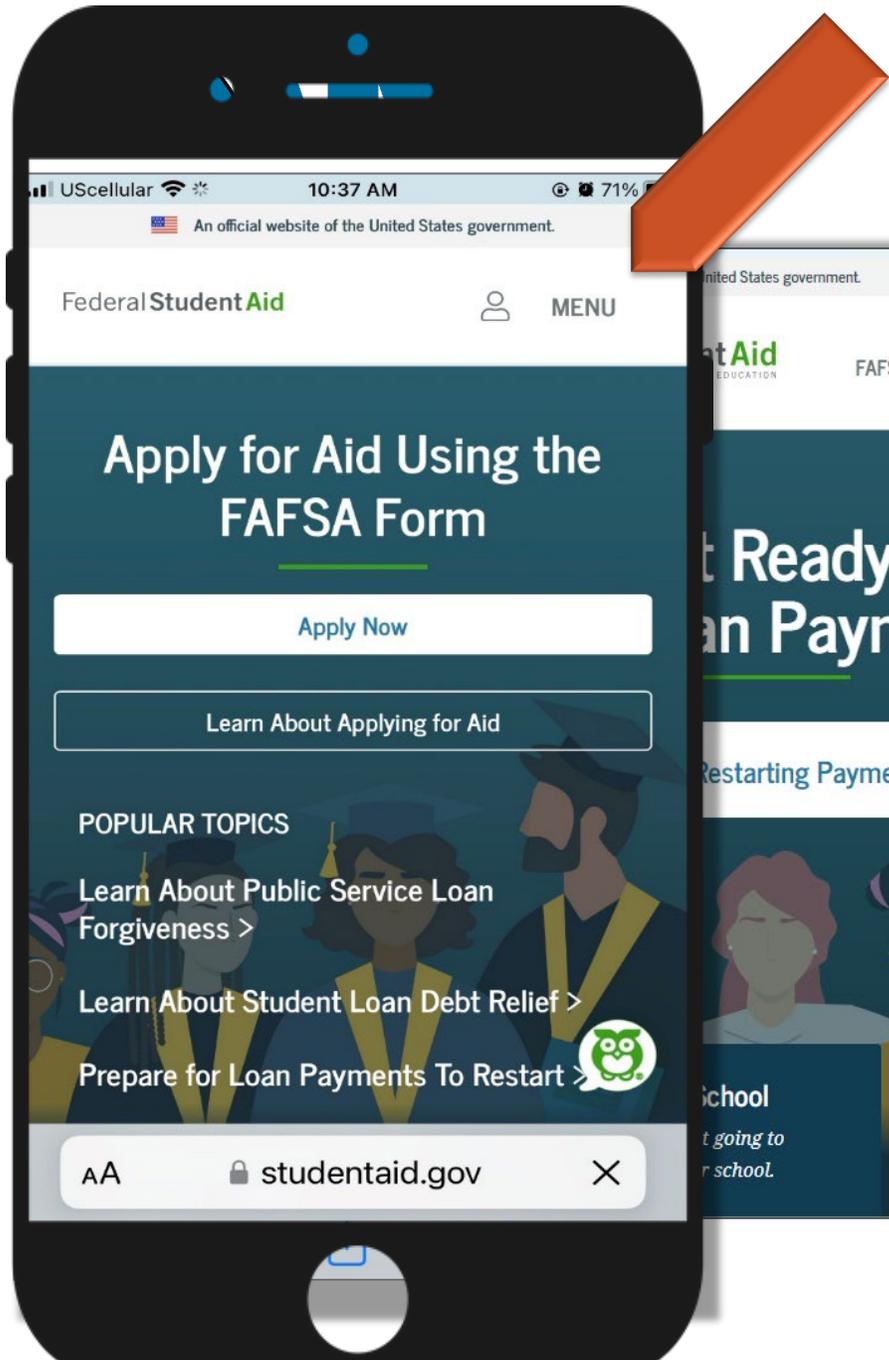
Accessing the 2025–26 FAFSA® Prototype

To access the 2025–26 FAFSA prototype, follow the steps below:

1. Visit fsapartners.ed.gov/fafsa-prototype/2526
2. Enter the access code: prototype2526

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In School
I'm in the process of earning a degree or certificate.

Parent
I want to help my child pay for college.

In Repayment
I have loans I need to repay.



★ Username can be:

- username created
- Email address
- Cell phone number

★ If trouble logging in:

- Forgot My Username
- Forgot My Password

The screenshot shows a login form with the following elements:

- Log In** with a right-pointing arrow icon.
- A text input field labeled "Email, Phone, or FSA ID Username" (highlighted with a red box).
- A text input field labeled "Password" with a "Show Password" link on the right.
- A blue "Log In" button.
- Two links: "Forgot My Username" and "Forgot My Password" (both highlighted with a red box).
- A "Create an Account" link.
- A purple link at the bottom: "Help Me Log In to My Account".



Contributors Must Create Federal Student Aid Account

Contributors **without** a StudentAid.gov account (FSA ID) should create an account **at least several days prior to** filing the FAFSA

If account hasn't matched with Social Security Admin., user will need to **manually enter of all tax related questions** (gross)

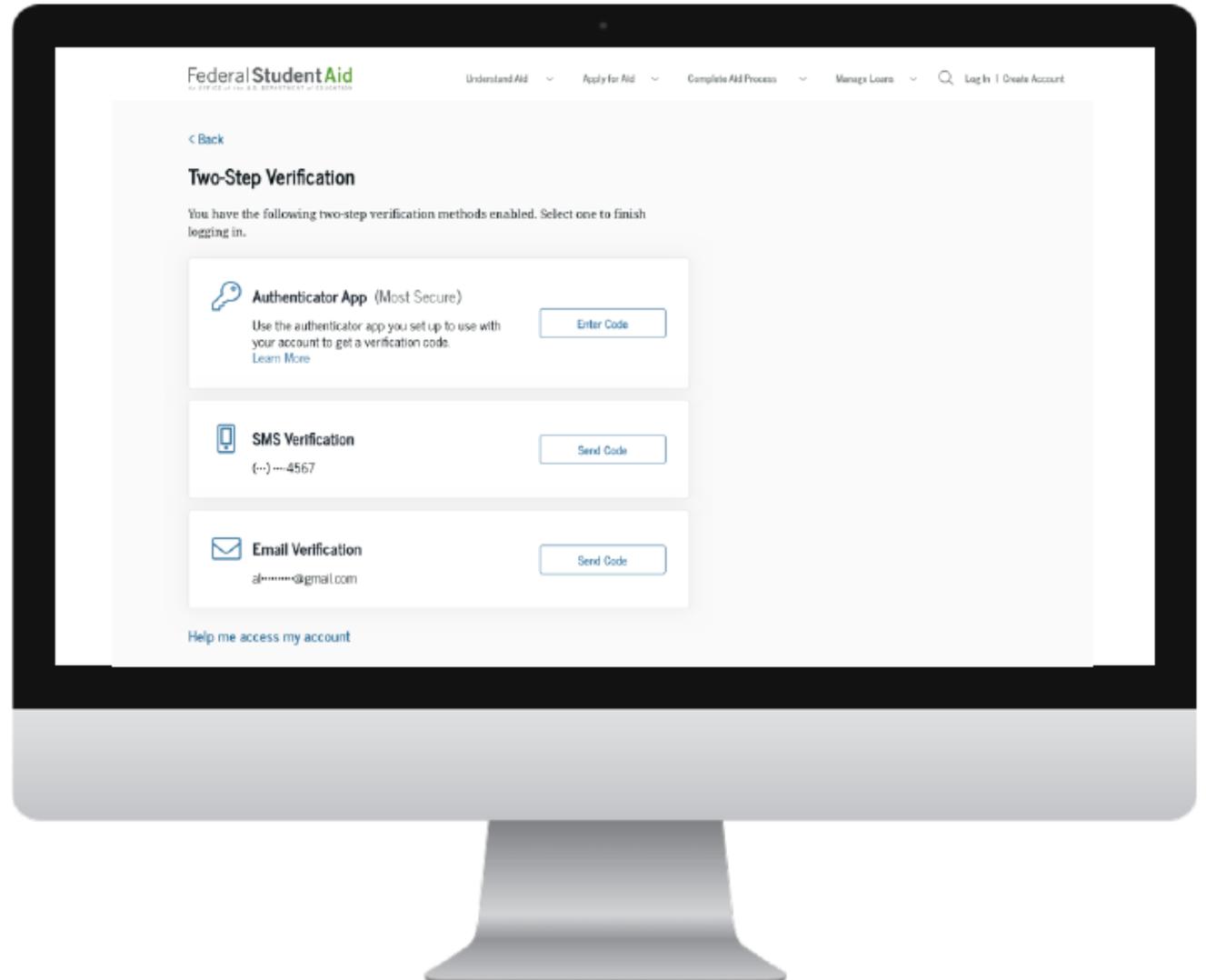
The image displays two screenshots of the Federal Student Aid website. The top screenshot shows the homepage with a 'Log In | Create Account' button highlighted in a red box and an orange arrow pointing to it. Below this, a dropdown menu is open, showing options like 'Dashboard', 'My Activity', 'My Aid', 'My Documents', 'My Enrollment', 'Settings', and 'Log Out'. The bottom screenshot shows the 'My Info' section, with a red box around the 'My Info' tab and an orange arrow pointing to it. The 'Personal Information' section is expanded, showing 'SSA VERIFICATION STATUS' as 'MATCHED' with a green checkmark, which is circled in red. Other sections visible include 'Account Information', 'Contact Information', 'Communication Preferences', and 'Financial Information Access'.



Logging In: Two-Step Verification

Two-Step Verification is required to complete the StudentAid.gov account creation process through one of the following:

- One time password generated from **authenticator app**
- SMS (text) sent to a verified **mobile phone**
- Email sent to a verified **email address**





Email received after logging in

- This is supposed to say “Someone has logged into your account”
- Not fixed yet..... May not be for a while

A screenshot of an email notification from Federal Student Aid. The email has a dark blue header with the text "Federal Student Aid" in white. Below the header, the main body of the email is a lighter blue color with a white wavy graphic at the top. The text in the email is white and reads: "Nicole, This email is to alert you that your FSA ID information was recently changed." Below this, there is a white box containing two paragraphs of text in black. The first paragraph says: "If you made the changes, or if you requested the changes via customer service, you can ignore this email. If you did not make any changes, you may want to [change your password](#)." The second paragraph says: "If you were using the StudentAid.gov site, [log in to your account to update your password](#)."

Federal Student Aid

Important – Your FSA ID Information Was Changed

Nicole,

This email is to alert you that your FSA ID information was recently changed.

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Sections of the FAFSA® Form



Personal Circumstances

- Martial status
- College or Career plans
- Personal & Special Circumstances
- Dependency Status
- Identify & Invite Contributor(s)



Student/Parent Demographics

- Race & Ethnicity
- Citizenship
- Parent Education Status
- Parent killed in the line of duty
- High School Completion status



Student/Parent Financials



- 2023 Tax Return Information (2025-26 FAFSA form)
- Student/Parent Assets



Colleges

- Search and Add up to 20 colleges or career/trade schools to receive the student's FAFSA Information



Signature

- Review all sections
- View Contributor completion status
- Sign

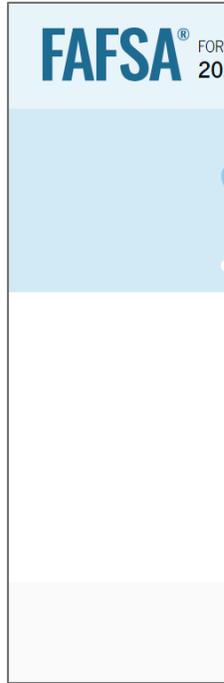
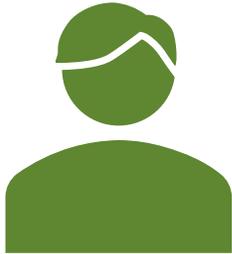


2026-2027 FAFSA opens 10/1/25 will use 2024 Federal Income Tax info



The FAFSA is a Roles-Based Form

Student Section




Parent

First Name
Parent | 

Last Name
Contributor

Date of Birth
Month Day Year
01 01 1971

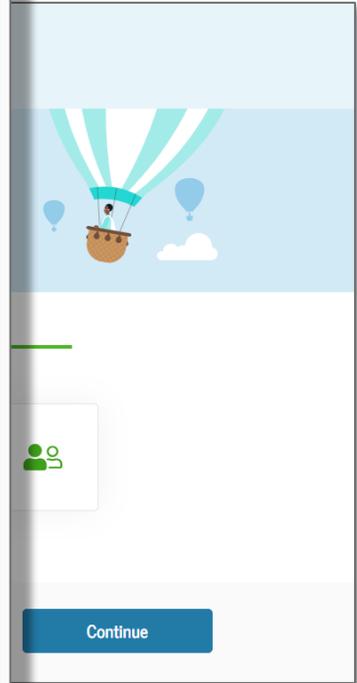
Social Security Number (SSN)
123-45-6789 

My parent doesn't have an SSN.

Email Address
email@email.com

Confirm Email Address
email@email.com 

[Send Invite](#)



Parent Section



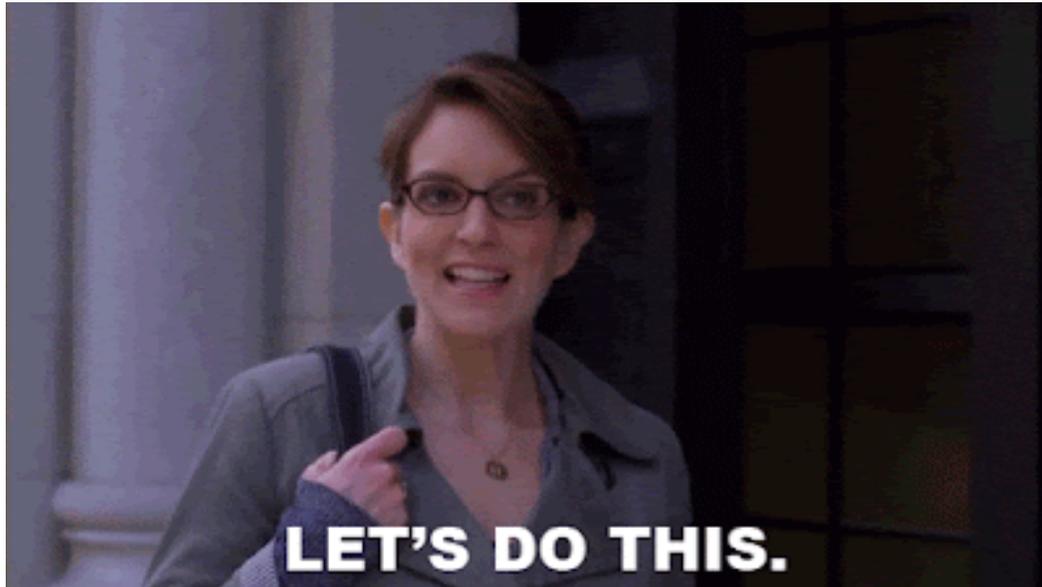


Who starts the FAFSA first?

Depends

- If parent's Adjusted Gross Income is below \$60,000 & received a benefit, less questions for both student & parent if the parent starts the FAFSA
- If the student might be considered independent for FAFSA purposes (example: was in foster care at age 15) it's better for the student to start first





**Dependent Student
Student Starts the FAFSA**

2025–26 FAFSA® Form Now Available!

The 2025–26 FAFSA® form is now available for all students and contributors. Complete the form to apply for financial aid for college, career school, or graduate school.

Start a 2025–26
FAFSA® Form

Start New Form

Edit a 2025–26 FAFSA® Form or
Accept an Invitation

Edit Existing Forms

Need the 2024–25 FAFSA form?

Start New Form

Edit Existing Forms



★ There are usually 2 FAFSAs available to file on the FAFSA completion page



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Two-Step Verification

 **Enter Secure Code**

Enter the secure code we sent in a text message to your mobile phone: *****8224

Enter the secure code below

[Resend code](#)

Having Trouble? [Try a different method.](#)

Two-step verification is required **every time** anyone logs in with an StudentAid.gov account.



FAFSA[®] FORM
2025-26

Welcome, Nikki

to the FAFSA[®] Form

I am starting the FAFSA form as a

Student



Parent



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When the student starts the FAFSA first time, they'll see four onboarding pages with an accompanying videos:

- What is the FAFSA?
- Contributors
- What to expect
- What happens after submitting the FAFSA.



Student Identity Information

Review the information below and make changes if anything is incorrect.

Name

Nicole R Vachon

Date of Birth

10/31/1971

Social Security Number

•••-••-2963

Email Address

nvachon@famemaine.com

Mobile Phone Number

(207) 735-3558

To update this information for all U.S. Department of Education communications, go to [Account Settings](#).

Permanent Mailing Address

Include apartment number.

PO BOX 949

City

AUGUSTA

State

ME

Zip Code

04432

Country ?

United States (US)

Continue

Student Identity Info

If contact info needs to be changed you must leave the FAFSA and go to **“Settings”** to update



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Student State of Legal Residence

State 

Georgia (GA)

Date the Student Became a Legal Resident of Georgia (GA)

Month Year 

01 2008

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- This page informs the contributor about consent and their federal tax information.
- ★ By providing consent, the contributor's federal tax information is **transferred directly into the FAFSA** from the IRS to help complete the Student Financials section.
- EVERYONE MUST APPROVE or not eligible for financial aid
- If no taxes on file for that year, that is what will import "no taxes filed"
- This page is very long!

Provide Consent and Approval or You Won't Be Eligible for Federal Student Aid

Summary

Your consent and approval are needed to retrieve and disclose federal tax information. With your consent and approval, we can obtain tax return information automatically from the IRS to help you complete the FAFSA® form. If you don't provide consent and approval, you will not be eligible for federal student aid, including grants and loans. You must provide consent and approval even if you didn't file a U.S. federal tax return or any tax return.

- Get your 2023 tax return information for the 2025-26 FAFSA form.
- Federal tax information is used to determine your eligibility for federal student aid.
- Tax return information is required to complete the FAFSA form.

By accepting below, I consent to the disclosure of information about me, as described below, and further affirmatively approve of the receipt and use of my federal tax information and to the U.S. Department of Education (ED)'s redisclosure of my federal tax information, as described below. By accepting below, I consent to and affirmatively approve of, as applicable, the following:

1. ED may disclose my Social Security number/Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, last name, date of birth, unique identifier, the tax year for which federal tax information is required, and the date and timestamp of my approval for the use of my federal tax information in determining eligibility by ED for which approval is provided to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service (IRS). I understand that in response to such a request from ED, the IRS shall then disclose my federal tax information to "authorized persons" (i.e., specifically designated officers and employees of ED and its contractors (as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 6103(d)(13)(E))) for the purpose of determining eligibility for and the amount of federal student aid under a program authorized under subpart 1 of part A, part C, or part D of *Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended, for myself or an applicant for federal student aid who has requested that I share my federal tax information on their *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* form.

2. Authorized persons at ED and its contractors (as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 6103(d)(13)(E)) may use my federal tax information for the purpose of determining the eligibility for and amount of federal student aid under a program authorized under subpart 1 of part A, part C, or part D of *Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended, for myself or a FAFSA applicant who has requested that I share my federal tax information on the FAFSA form.

3. ED may redisclose my federal tax information received from the IRS pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 6103(d)(13)(D)(iii) to the following entities solely for the use in the application, award, and administration of financial aid:

- Institutions of higher education participating in the federal student aid programs authorized under subpart 1 of part A, part C, or part D of *Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended
- State higher education agencies
- Scholarship organizations designated prior to Dec. 19, 2019, by the secretary of education
- Contractors of institutions of higher education and state higher education agencies to administer aspects of the institution's or state agency's activities for the application

4. ED may redisclose my federal tax information to another FAFSA applicant's FAFSA form(s) for which I elect to participate. By accepting an invitation and affirmation to participate in another individual's FAFSA form, my federal tax information will be redisclosed to the additional application. I understand that I may decline an invitation to participate, which will prevent the transfer of my federal tax information to that FAFSA form.

By consenting and providing my affirmative approval, I further understand the following:

1. My consent and affirmative approval are required, as a condition of my eligibility or the eligibility of a FAFSA applicant who has requested that I share my federal tax information on their FAFSA form, for federal student aid under a program authorized under subpart 1 of part A, part C, or part D of *Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended, even if I did not file a U.S. federal tax return.

2. I am providing my written consent for the redisclosure of my federal tax information by ED to include, but not limited to, institutions of higher education, state higher education agencies, designated scholarship organizations, their respective contractors and auditors, other family members participating in the FAFSA form, Office of Inspector General, under 26 U.S.C. § 6103(d)(13)(D)(iii) to the following entities solely for the use in the application, award, and administration of financial aid:



We're securely importing your information.

Do not leave this page while your information is being imported into your application.



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Importing Tax Info

Federal tax information is transferred directly into the FAFSA from the IRS.

No tax information will show in the FAFSA or on the FAFSA Submission Summary – schools do receive the tax information.



We're securely importing your information.



Success!

We have confirmed your information with the IRS, but you may have to answer additional questions in the Finances section. Select "Continue" to proceed.



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Your Personal Circumstances

We'll ask you questions that help us determine your eligibility for federal student aid. This information can affect the types of federal student aid you're eligible to receive.

→ Sometimes we need to collect information from other people after we review your answers. We'll let you know if this is the case.

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These questions will determine if parent information is needed

Dependent = Parent info needed

Independent = No parent info needed



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Student Current Marital Status ^①

Single (never married)

Married (not separated)

Remarried

Separated

Divorced

Widowed

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Student College or Career School Plans

When the student begins the 2025–26 school year, what will their college grade level be? ⓘ

First year (freshman)

Second year (sophomore)

Other undergraduate (junior and beyond)

Master's, doctorate, or graduate certificate program (such as M.A., MBA, M.D., J.D., Ph.D., Ed.D., etc.)

When the student begins the 2025–26 school year, will they already have their first bachelor's degree? ⓘ

Yes No

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Wording is important here:

“At any time since the student turned 13 were they ...”

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Student Personal Circumstances

Select all that apply.

- The student is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training. ⓘ
- The student is a veteran of the U.S. armed forces. ⓘ
- The student has children or other people (excluding their spouse) who live with them and receive more than half of their support from the student now and between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026. ⓘ
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were an orphan (no living biological or adoptive parent). ⓘ
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were a ward of the court. ⓘ
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were in foster care. ⓘ
- The student is or was a legally emancipated minor, as determined by a court in their state of residence. ⓘ
- The student is or was in a legal guardianship with someone other than their parent or stepparent, as determined by a court in their state of residence. ⓘ
- None of these apply.

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Student Homelessness

At any time on or after July 1, 2024, was the student unaccompanied and either (1) homeless or (2) self-supporting and at risk of being homeless? ⓘ

Yes

No

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★ If the student clicks “YES”

They will need documentation of their situation.

These are some examples of who could document

Documentation could be a conversation with the financial aid office personnel

Did any of the following determine the student was homeless or at risk of becoming homeless?

Select all that apply.

Director or designee of an emergency or transitional shelter, street outreach program, homeless youth drop-in center, or other program serving those experiencing homelessness

The student's high school or school district homeless liaison or designee

Director or designee of a project supported by a federal TRIO or GEAR UP program grant

Financial aid administrator

None of these apply.



If the student clicks
“YES”

Considered Independent
for FAFSA purposes. No
parent info needed

Student will need
documentation of their
situation.

Documentation does not
need to be “why”, just
that they meet the
criteria

Student Unusual Circumstances

This information will help us evaluate the student's ability to pay for school.

Do unusual circumstances prevent the student from contacting their parents or would contacting their parents pose a risk to the student? ⓘ

A student may be experiencing unusual circumstances if they

- *left home due to an abusive or threatening environment;*
- *are abandoned by or estranged from their parents;*
- *have refugee or asylee status and are separated from their parents, or their parents are displaced in a foreign country;*
- *are a victim of human trafficking;*
- *are incarcerated, or their parents are incarcerated and contact with the parents would pose a risk to the student; or*
- *are otherwise unable to contact or locate their parents.*

If the student's circumstances resulted in not having a safe and stable place to live, they may be considered a homeless youth and should review the answer to the previous question about being unaccompanied and homeless.

Yes

No

Student Dependency Status



Dependent Student

The student is a dependent student. This means information about the student's parent(s) must be provided on the FAFSA® form. This information helps determine how much federal student aid the student is eligible to receive.



Direct Unsubsidized Loan Only

Are the student's parents refusing to provide their information on this FAFSA® form? ⓘ

This response must be "No" for the student to be considered for Federal Pell Grant eligibility and most other types of federal student aid.

Yes

No

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If the student clicks "YES"

Student will only be eligible for Unsubsidized Direct Loan

The parent will need to document that they refuse to provide their information on the FAFSA form or that they no longer financially support the student to receive the Unsub loan.

A financial aid administrator will make the final determination

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Tell Us About the Student's Parents

On the FAFSA[®] form, the "parent" is the student's legal (biological or adoptive) parent.

Are the parents married to each other?

Yes No

Provide Information for Both Parents

Based on your answers in the previous section, you'll need to provide information about both parents on the FAFSA[®] form. You can invite the parents to the form and have them complete their required sections.

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Tell Us About the Student's Parents

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Are the parents married to each other?

Yes No

Do the parents live together?

Yes No

Provide Information for Both Parents

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Invite Parent(s) to This FAFSA® Form



We Need Information for Your Parent(s) Now

Based on your answers in the previous section, you'll need to provide information about both of your parents on your FAFSA® form. This doesn't make them financially responsible for your education. You can invite one or both of your parents to your form now and have them complete their required sections.

Enter information about your parent(s) identified on the prior page, and we'll send an email on your behalf.

If they already have a StudentAid.gov account username and password (FSA ID), the information entered here must exactly match that account.

IMPORTANT: If your contributor doesn't have a Social Security number, you may encounter an issue that impacts your ability to add them to your form. If you receive this error, review the [guidance and recommended workaround](#) and try again.

Use the email address that is most likely to reach your contributor. Unlike the other information provided, the email address doesn't need to match the email associated with their StudentAid.gov account.

 Parent	 Parent Spouse or Partner <small>Optional</small>
First Name ⓘ <input type="text" value="Mark"/>	First Name ⓘ <input type="text"/>
Last Name ⓘ <input type="text" value="Price"/>	Last Name ⓘ <input type="text"/>

Parent Invitation

<p>Date of Birth ⓘ</p> <p>Month Day Year</p> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<p>Date of Birth ⓘ</p> <p>Month Day Year</p> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
<p>Social Security Number (SSN) ⓘ</p> <input type="text"/>	<p>Social Security Number (SSN) ⓘ</p> <input type="text"/>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> My parent doesn't have an SSN.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> My parent doesn't have an SSN.</p>
<p>Email Address ⓘ</p> <input type="text"/>	<p>Email Address ⓘ</p> <input type="text"/>
<p>Confirm Email Address ⓘ</p> <input type="text"/>	<p>Confirm Email Address ⓘ</p> <input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Send Invite"/>	<input type="button" value="Send Invite"/>

- Parent invite **must match** legal name, date of birth, and SSN.
- The email address provided for contributors does not need to match the one used for the StudentAid.gov account.



- Parent info must match what is listed in their StudentAid.gov account **EXACTLY**
 - Legal name
 - Date of birth
 - Social Security Number

- Email address does not need to match. This is only used to send an invitation email to the parent

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 Parent

First Name

Last Name

Date of Birth

Month Day Year

Social Security Number (SSN)

 Hide

My parent doesn't have an SSN. Checking this box when your parent does have an SSN may delay processing of your FAFSA form.

Email Address

Confirm Email Address

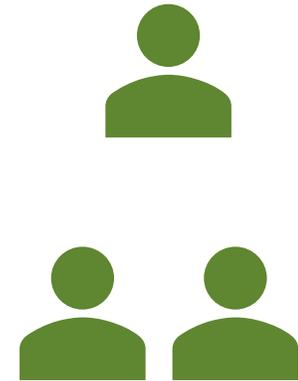
Send Invite



Determining Parent Contributors

Determining Parent Contributors

- If parents are **married and filed a joint tax return**, information for both parents will be required but only **one parent** will need a StudentAid.gov account.
- If parents are **married and filed taxes separately**, or if **parents live together but aren't married**, information for both parents will be required and **both parents** will need their own StudentAid.gov account.



The tax year filed jointly or separately depends on the FAFSA year filing:

For example. The **2026-27 FAFSA** will ask if parents filed a joint tax return in **2024**.



Determining Parent Contributors

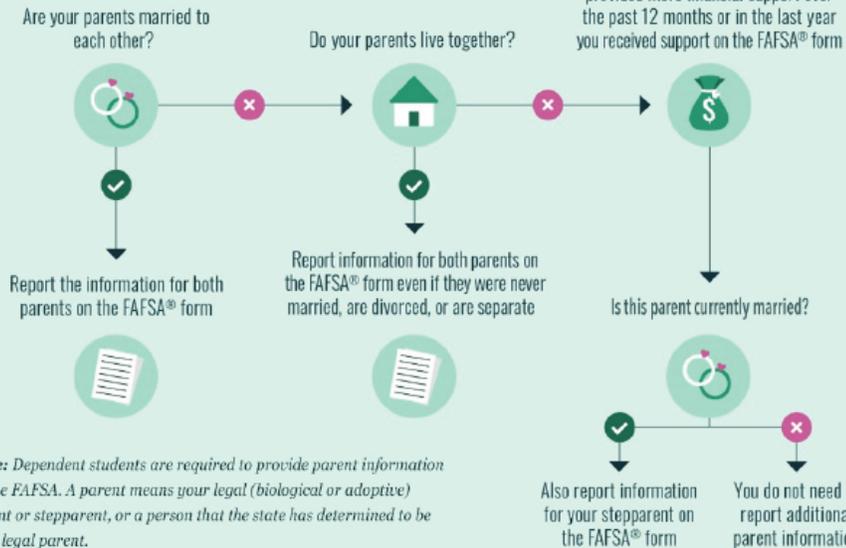
- If parents are **divorced, separated, or never married** and don't live in **the same household**, the parent who provides the **most financial support** will be required to provide information on the FAFSA and will need a StudentAid.gov account.
- If that **parent is remarried** on the day the FAFSA is filed, information for their spouse will also be required and their **spouse will need their own StudentAid.gov account unless** they filed a joint tax return.

When Is Parent Information Required?

Students are considered dependent and required to provide parent information unless they can answer YES to one of the following questions:

- Were you born before January 1, 2002?
- As of today, are you married?
- At the beginning of the 2025-2026 school year, will you be working on a graduate program?
- Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training, or are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?
- Do you have children or dependents who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026?
- At any time since you turned 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care or were you a dependent or ward of the court?
- As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, are you or were you an emancipated minor or in a legal guardianship?
- At any time on or after July 1, 2024, were you homeless or at risk of being homeless?

Who's My Parent When I Fill Out My FAFSA® Form?



The following people are not your parents unless they have legally adopted you:

-  Widowed Stepparent
-  Grandparents
-  Foster Parents
-  Older Brothers or Sisters
-  Aunts or Uncles



Parent

First Name

Nikki

Last Name

Vachon

Date of Birth

Month Day Year

01

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1975

Social Security Number (SSN)

Hide

My parent doesn't have an SSN. Checking this box when your parent does have an SSN may delay processing of your FAFSA form.

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Country

Email Address

Confirm Email Address

Send Invite

Invitation for parent without Social Security Number

- Parent does not need to have an SSN
- Be sure to enter their mailing address exactly as they entered it when they created their StudentAid.gov account



Invite Parent(s) to This FAFSA® Form



We Need Information for Your Parent(s) Now

Based on your answers in the previous section, you'll need to provide information about both of your parents on your FAFSA® form. This doesn't make them financially responsible for your education. You can invite one or both of your parents to your form now and have them complete their required sections.

Enter information about your parent(s) identified on the prior page, and we'll send an email on your behalf.

If they already have a StudentAid.gov account username and password (FSA ID), the information entered here must exactly match that account.

IMPORTANT: If your contributor doesn't have a Social Security number, you may encounter an issue that impacts your ability to add them to your form. If you receive this error, review the [guidance and recommended workaround](#) and try again.

Use the email address that is most likely to reach your contributor. Unlike the other information provided, the email address doesn't need to match the email associated with their StudentAid.gov account.

 Parent

Name
Nikki Vachon

Date of Birth
01/01/1971

Social Security Number (SSN)
546-43-6541

Email Address
nvachon@famemaine.com

Invite sent to Nikki Vachon

Only invite another parent spouse or partner if you're unsure who will participate

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Invite a 2nd parent If unsure who will complete

Or if you know a 2nd parent will need to enter information:

- Parents are unmarried and living together
- Parents do not file a joint tax return
- Parent do not file a tax return

Unable to Complete This Action

Thanks for your patience. Currently, the system is unable to complete this action. Please exit the FAFSA form and try again.

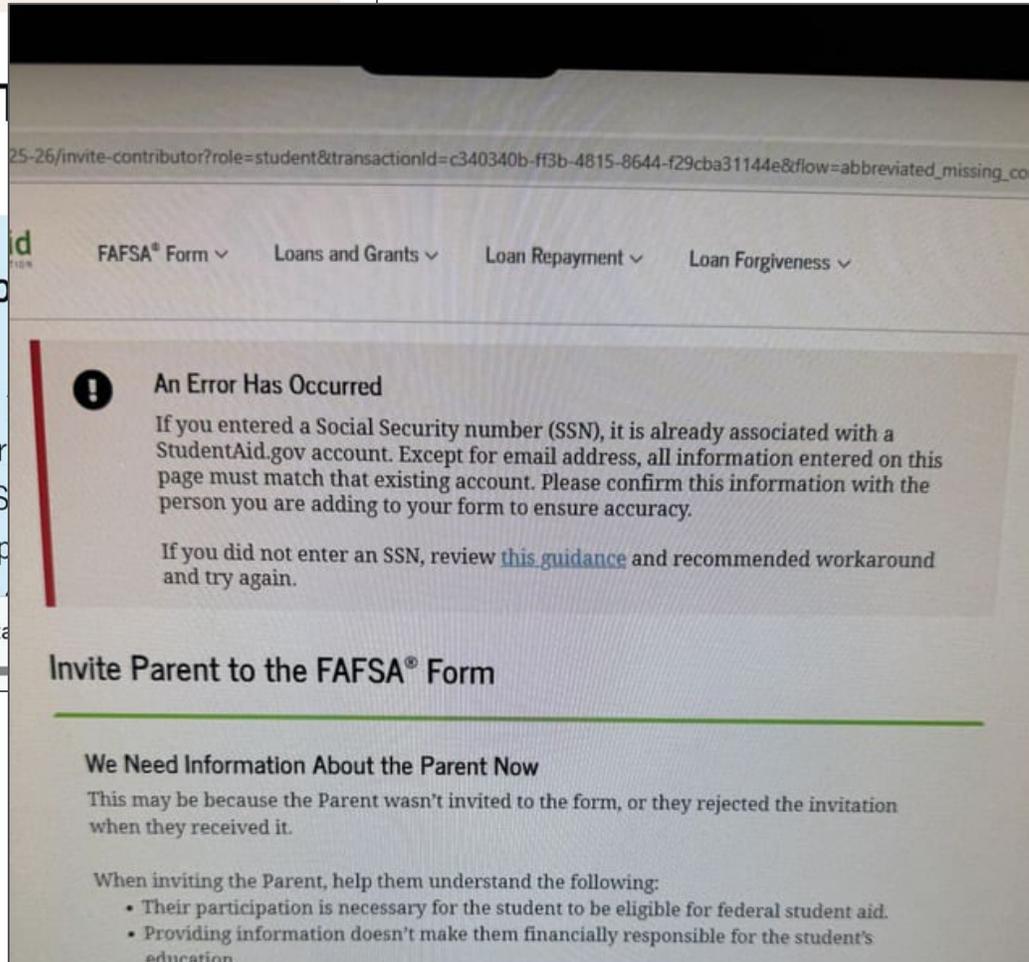
Exit FAFSA Form

Invite Parent(s) to the FAFSA Form

We Need Information About the Parent(s) Now

Based on your answers in the invitation, you'll need to provide information about your parents on your FAFSA form. This information will make them financially responsible for the student's education. Right now, you

studenta



Parent or student invitation not working

- Have the contributor log in to StudentAid.gov
- Go to “Settings”
- Click on “personal info”
 - Does all the info you listed on the invitation EXACTLY match the personal info in the account? If not, edit the invitation.
- If parent has no SSN, click on “Contact Info”
 - Does the address EXACTLY match what is listed in the invitation? If not, change the invitation



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Student Demographics

We'll ask questions about your background and the education levels of your parent(s). Some of these questions will help determine how much federal student aid you may be eligible to receive for school.



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Student Demographic Information

Questions Used for Research Purposes Only and Do Not Affect Federal Student Aid Eligibility

Your answers will not

- affect the student's eligibility for federal student aid,
- be used in any calculations, or
- be shared with the schools to which the student applies.

What is the student's gender? ⓘ

Male

Female

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These questions do not impact aid eligibility.

Information is not shared with the school or others.



Student Race and Ethnicity ⓘ

Questions Used for Research Purposes Only and Do Not Affect Federal Student Aid Eligibility

Your answers will not

- affect the student's eligibility for federal student aid,
- be used in any calculations, or
- be shared with the schools to which the student applies.

Is the student of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? ⓘ

Select all that apply.

No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin

Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, or Chicano

Yes, Puerto Rican

Yes, Cuban

Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin

Prefer not to answer



Citizenship Status

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Student Citizenship Status ⓘ

U.S. citizen or national

Eligible noncitizen

Neither U.S. citizen nor eligible noncitizen

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Student Citizenship Status ⓘ

U.S. citizen or national

Eligible noncitizen

A-Number ⓘ

A

Neither U.S. citizen nor eligible noncitizen

If “Eligible noncitizen” is selected, the student will be required to enter their “A” number.



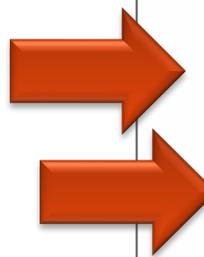
Enter the student’s eight- or nine-digit A-number.

If the student’s A-number has eight digits, type a zero before it.

Don’t enter the “A” before the number.



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Are you eligible for Federal Student Aid?

To be eligible for federal student aid, you must be a U.S. citizen OR an eligible noncitizen. If you already know you're eligible for federal student aid, your next step is to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Use FAME's [FAFSA 1-2-3 for New Mainers](#) to make filing the FAFSA easier.

Yes, I'm eligible. →

Generally, you are *not* eligible for federal student aid if:

- You have a Social Security Number that is for work purposes only.
- You have been granted DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) status.
- You have only a "Notice of Approval to Apply for Permanent Residence" (I-171 or I-464).
- You are in the U.S. on an F-1 or F-2 nonimmigrant student visa, or on a J-1 or J-2 nonimmigrant exchange visitor visa.
- You hold a G series visa (pertaining to international organizations).

If you know you are not eligible for federal student aid at this time, you still have options.

No, I'm not eligible at this time. →

Not sure if you're eligible?

If you're not sure of your eligibility, you can use our interactive eligibility questionnaire to help you determine your status:

Interactive Eligibility Questionnaire:

1.) Are you a US Citizen?

- Yes
- No

You indicated you are not a U.S. citizen, but you may be an eligible noncitizen. We'll ask a few more questions to help you find out.



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Parent Education Status

Did either of the student's parents attend college or complete college? ⓘ

Neither parent attended college

One or both parents attended college, but neither parent completed college

One or both parents completed college

Don't know

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Student may be eligible for First Generation student scholarship at the college

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Parent Killed in Line of Duty

Was the student's parent or guardian killed in the line of duty while either (1) serving on active duty as a member of the U.S. armed forces on or after the events of 9/11, or (2) performing official duties as a public safety officer? ⓘ

Public safety officers include law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency service workers.

Yes

No

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Student would be eligible maximum Pell Grant, regardless of SAI



Student High School Completion Status

What will the student's high school completion status be at the beginning of the 2025–26 school year? ⓘ

High school diploma

State-recognized high school equivalent (e.g., GED certificate)

Homeschooled

None of the above

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Confirming High School Completion Status

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Student High School Information

From what high school did or will the student graduate? ⓘ

State
Georgia (GA)

City
Suwanee

High School Name - optional
north gwinnett high schd x

North Gwinnett High School

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Student High School Completion Status

What will the student's high school completion status be at the beginning of the 2025–26 school year?

High school diploma

State-recognized high school equivalent (e.g., GED certificate)

Type

GED

HiSET

TASC

Other

None of the above



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Your Finances

The FAFSA[®] form helps determine your ability to pay for school. In this section, we ask about your financial information.

What if you have special financial circumstances?



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- Earnings from work will not be asked, even for non-tax filers.
- **If StudentAid.gov account not authenticated, tax info will have to be entered manually. (gross)**

The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2025-26 application interface for Student Jenny Price. The progress bar indicates that the 'Financials' section (step 3) is currently active, with 'Personal Circumstances' (step 1) and 'Demographics' (step 2) completed, and 'Colleges' (step 4) and 'Signature' (step 5) yet to be completed. The 'Student Tax Filing Status' section asks, 'Did or will the student file a 2023 IRS Form 1040 or 1040-NR?'. The 'Yes' radio button is selected, and the 'No' radio button is unselected. There are 'Previous' and 'Continue' buttons at the bottom of the section.

Students and parents **will never see any federal tax information** that was shared by the Direct Data Exchange (DDX) in the FAFSA or on the FAFSA Submission Summary.

Your Finances

The FAFSA[®] form helps determine your ability to pay for school. In this section, we ask about your financial information.



What if you have special financial circumstances?



We Recommend That You Return Later to Complete This Section

Once your FSA ID is fully matched, we may be able to prepopulate more of your data and save you time completing the FAFSA[®] form.

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★ If manual tax entry is required, students & contributors can click on a link to show them where to find the data on the 1040 tax return

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Student 2023 Tax Return Information

Refer to the student's 2023 tax return to answer the following questions.

If the answer is zero or the question does not apply, enter 0.

[Where to find this information on the tax form](#)

Filing Status

Single

Head of household

Married filing jointly

Married filing separately

Qualifying surviving spouse

Income Earned From Work

\$.00

Tax Exempt Interest Income

\$.00

Untaxed Portions of IRA Distributions

\$.00

Where To Find My 2023 Tax Information (2025-26)

If you are a U.S. tax filer, you may be asked to manually enter financial information from your 2023 tax return. The information we request will vary based on your responses.

The list shows information you may be asked to provide, and where to find it on the 2023 IRS Form 1040.

- Filing Status
- Income Earned from Work (Line 1z plus Schedule 1: Lines 3 + 6)
- Tax Exempt Interest Income (Line 2a)
- Untaxed Portions of IRA Distributions (Line 4a minus 4b)
- Untaxed Portions of Pensions (Line 5a minus 5b)
- Adjusted Gross Income (Line 11)
- Income Tax Paid (Line 24)
- Deductible Payments to IRA/Keogh/other (Schedule 1: total of Lines 16 + 20)
- Education Credits (Schedule 3: Line 3 + 1040 Line 29)
- Net Profit or Loss From Schedule C (Schedule C: Line 31)
- Foreign earned income exclusion (Schedule 1: Line 8d)

Note: You will also be asked to indicate if your IRS 1040 form shows that you were eligible for the Earned Income Credit (or Earned Income Tax Credit), or if you filed IRS Schedules A, B, D, E, F, or H.

1040 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return **2023**

Filing Status

Single

Married filing jointly (even if only one had income)

Head of household (HOH)

Married filing separately (MFS)

Qualifying surviving spouse (QSS)

If you checked the MFS box, enter the name of your spouse. If you checked the HOH or QSS box, enter the child's name if the qualifying person is a child but not your dependent.



- Total child support received for **the last complete calendar year**
- Current Net Worth of Investments
 - **Do NOT include** home of parents, retirement accounts, cars, etc.
- Net worth = Value minus debt

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Report Combined Assets and Child Support Received
Report the combined assets and child support received for both parents.

Annual Child Support Received
Enter the total amount of child support the parent received for the last complete calendar year.

\$.00 ⓘ

Parent Assets

Current Total of Cash, Savings, and Checking Accounts
Don't include student aid, retirement accounts, or investments.

\$.00 ⓘ

Current Net Worth of Investments, Including Real Estate
Don't include the home the parent lives in. Net worth is the value of the investments minus any debts owed against them.

\$.00 ⓘ

Current Net Worth of Businesses and Investment Farms
Enter the net worth of the parent's businesses and for-profit agricultural operations. Net worth is the value of the businesses and farms minus any debts owed against them.

\$.00 ⓘ

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★ The “Get Ready to File” FAFSA checklist includes:

- Assets you DO report
- Assets you DO NOT report



Get Ready to File the 2026-2027 FAFSA

The 2026-2027 FAFSA will be available by October 1, 2025. Get prepared by gathering the necessary information.

What you need to file the 2026-2027 FAFSA

CREATE YOUR STUDENTAID.GOV ACCOUNT NOW!

- When you create your [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) account you'll set up a username and password. You'll need to provide your username and password every time you log in to the Federal Student Aid website, which is where the FAFSA is located. It takes about 10 minutes to create an account. Your information must be matched with the Social Security Administration (which takes 1-3 days) before you can file the FAFSA. If you're a dependent student, your parent(s) will need to create their own [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) account so they can access and sign their section of the FAFSA.
- To create an account, go to [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) and click on “Create Account.” Get tips, step-by-step instructions, and keep track of your account information using FAME's [StudentAid.gov Account Information Sheet](#).

If you are a dependent student, you will need the following information for both you and your parent(s):

- StudentAid.gov username and password
- Social Security number, legal name, date of birth, and email address
- 2024 federal income tax returns (including all applicable schedules)
- Current bank statements

If you aren't a U.S. citizen, you'll also need...

- Your U.S. Permanent Resident Card (Form I-151 or I-551C) or Arrival-Departure Record (I-94) with an eligible status

See reverse to learn more about parent information on the FAFSA.

Assets on the FAFSA

Many students and parents aren't required to report assets. If anyone in your family receives any federal means tested benefits (TANF, SNAP, Free and Reduced Lunch, WIC, MaineCare, etc.) or if your family earns less than \$60,000 (depending on the tax schedules filed) you and your parents will not be required to provide any asset information. If you are, be sure you only include assets that are required to be reported.

REPORTABLE ASSETS ON THE FAFSA:

- Cash, checking and savings
- Real estate (other than home you live in)
- Financial assets, such as stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, mutual funds and money market accounts

- UGMA/UTMA accounts
- Coverdell and 529 plans (List as a parent asset and only include the amount where the student on the FAFSA is the beneficiary.)
- Virtual currency (i.e. Bitcoin)

NON-REPORTABLE ASSETS:

- The home you live in
- Retirement plans
- Life insurance policies
- Personal possessions, such as cars and boats



HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FAFSA?

Get help from FAME. Explore our online FAFSA help at FAMemaine.com/FAFSA



List up to 20 colleges

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Select Colleges and Career Schools

Search for and select colleges and career schools you're considering so they automatically receive an electronic copy of the FAFSA[®] form.

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Where should we send the FAFSA[®] information?

Search and select colleges and career schools.

If you can't find your school when searching by school name or state, try searching by School Code.

You must add at least one college or career school to the FAFSA[®] form. You can add up to 20 schools. Make sure to list all the schools you're considering, even if you're not certain you'll apply to all of them. You can add or delete schools on your FAFSA form later. [Find tips for searching for colleges or career schools.](#)

0 out of 20 schools selected [View Selected Schools](#)

[Search by School Name](#) [Search by School Code](#)

State

 ×

California (CA)

School Name - optional

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Continue To Sign Your Form

Here's a summary of the information you provided on the FAFSA[®] form. Continue once you're ready to submit.

Scroll To Continue

After reviewing your answers, scroll to the bottom of the page to continue. You must continue past this page to sign and submit your section of the FAFSA form.

Student Sections Expand All

- Introduction Personal Identifiers
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Summary Page

Expand all to review all responses or expand each section individually. Click on question hyperlink to be taken to that page.

Will show if contributor has not yet completed their section

Contributor Section

This Section is Shared with One Contributor [Manage Contributor Information](#)

This FAFSA[®] form is shared with the individual(s) listed below. View who you invited and the status of their section.

Contributor(s)	Role	Date Added	Status
Mark Price	Parent	8/28/2024	Invite Sent

Parent Sections Expand All

- Introduction Personal Identifiers
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Sign and Complete Your Section ⓘ

Summary

This page confirms that you understand the terms and conditions of the FAFSA[®] form and filled out the form accurately to the best of your ability.

The FAFSA form is a legal document you will electronically sign with your account username and password (FSA ID). Because your FSA ID is associated with your personal information, do not share it with anyone.

By signing this application electronically using your FSA ID, YOU, THE STUDENT, certify that you

- will use federal and/or state student aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education,
- are not in default on a federal student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it,
- do not owe money back on a federal student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it,
- will notify your school if you default on a federal student loan, and
- will not receive a Federal Pell Grant from more than one school for the same period of time.

By signing this application electronically using your account username and password, you certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked, to provide

- information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form, and
- U.S. or foreign income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand that the secretary of education has the authority to verify information reported on your application.

If you sign this application or any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a username and password, and/or any other credential, you certify that you are the person identified by the username and password, and/or any other credential and have not disclosed that username and password, and/or any other credential to anyone else. If you purposefully give false or misleading information, including applying as an independent student without meeting the unusual circumstances required to qualify for such a status, you may be subject to criminal penalties under 20 U.S.C. 1097, which may include a fine up to \$20,000, imprisonment, or both.

Additionally, by signing this application electronically using your FSA ID, you authorize the U.S. Department of Education to disclose all information provided on this application, as required under Section 483(a)(2)(D)(i) of the *Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended, to the institutions you have identified herein, state higher education agencies (in your state of residence and the states in which the institutions identified herein are located), and designated scholarship organizations to assist with the application, award, and administration of federal, state, or institutional financial aid programs and designated scholarship programs. Notwithstanding this authorization, the name of an institution that you select to authorize such disclosure shall not be shared with any other institution.

Sign Your FAFSA[®] Form

I, Jenny Price, agree to the terms outlined above.

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Sign

★ Student can sign but option to **submit** won't exist until all sections are complete.





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You're Almost There!

The student section is complete!

Parent Contributors

Requirements for Dependent Students
Your FAFSA[®] form is not complete until your parent(s) fill in the contributor section of the form and sign it. Once completed, your FAFSA form will be submitted for processing.

Contributor(s)	Role	Date Added	Status
Mark Price	Parent	8/28/2024	Invite Sent

Track and Manage Your FAFSA[®] Form and Contributors [View Status](#)

Your application has been added to the "My Activity" page in your StudentAid.gov account. Visit this page to keep track of your FAFSA status; review, edit, or delete information on your form; and monitor the status of your contributor(s).



- This is the bottom half of the submission screen.
- Information about the **FAFSA Submission Summary** timing and location availability is provided.
- ★ Not recommended but note the link at the bottom.

Here's What You Can Do Next

-  **Check Your Email**
You'll receive an email version of this page at the following email address:
599888061test@testcod.edu.
-  **Action Still Needed**
The contributor(s) you selected will receive an email invitation to join your form.

Things You Should Know

 **View Your FAFSA® Submission Summary**

Once your application is complete and submitted, you can view your FAFSA Submission Summary, a summary of the information you provided on your FAFSA form. You'll be able to access the FAFSA Submission Summary one to three days after you submit your application by logging back in with your account username and password (FSA ID).

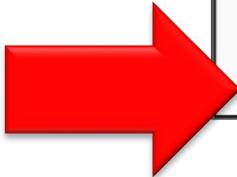
 **Questions About The FAFSA® Process?**

Visit the "FAFSA Help" page for more information.

[Get Help](#)

We strongly recommend that your parent(s) complete their own section. If that isn't possible, you can manually provide their information, but you will not be eligible for federal student aid, including grants and loans, until they provide consent and approval, and sign the form.

[Provide Parent Information Manually](#)





FederalStudentAid

Help Complete Jenny's Form



Mark,

Jenny P won't be eligible for federal student aid without your input. Help them complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form.

Providing information as a contributor does not make you financially responsible for Jenny's education costs. Completing the FAFSA form is how they qualify for the following student aid:

- Federal Pell Grants
- federal student loans
- state financial aid
- school financial aid

Create a StudentAid.gov account or log in with your existing FSA ID (account username and password) to access and complete your section of the form. Creating a new StudentAid.gov account takes 10–15 minutes, but it can take up to three days for approval.

We recommend that you wait to log in and complete your section of the form until the person who invited you to participate has completed, signed, and submitted their section.

If you log in and can't enter the form because it's already been submitted, you may not be needed as a contributor.

Don't recognize Jenny? Read about what to do if you got an invite and don't recognize the sender.

[Get Started](#)

Click on “Log In” link
in email
OR
go to Student Aid.gov
and log in with
username & password

Here's why it's a good idea to finish as soon as possible:

-  States and schools have different deadlines for student aid. Check the “FAFSA® Application Deadlines” page for more information.
-  You may need extra time to make corrections after you submit.

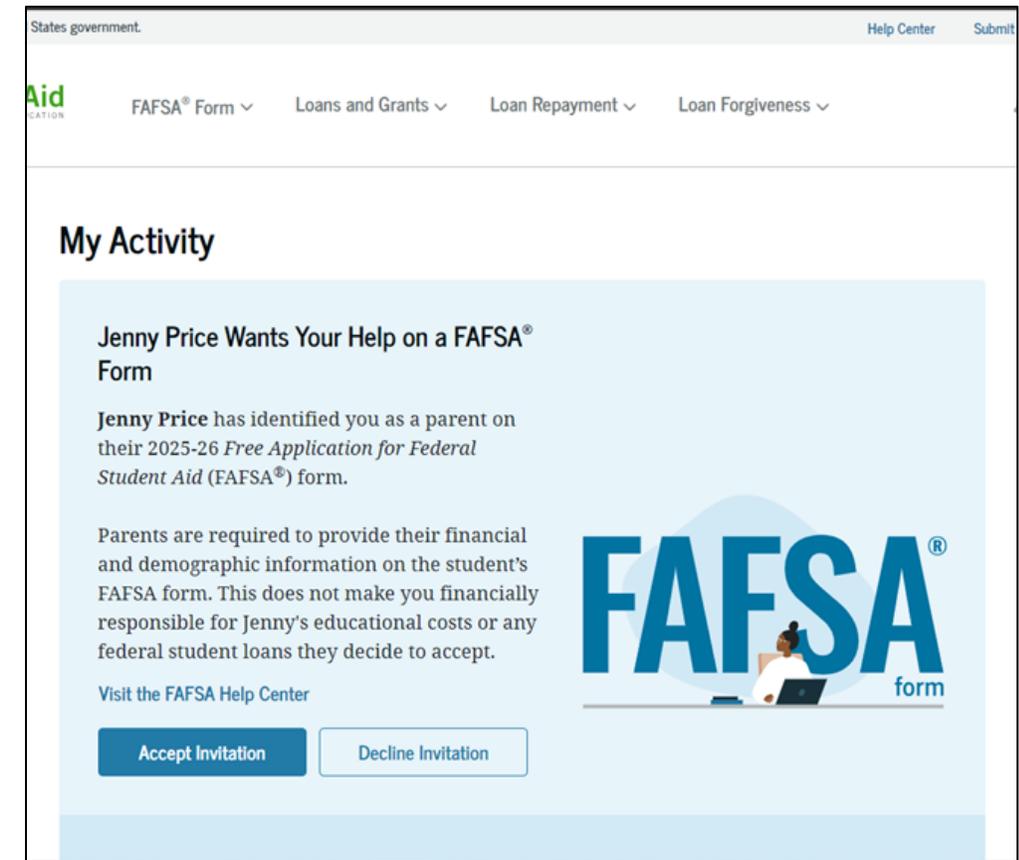
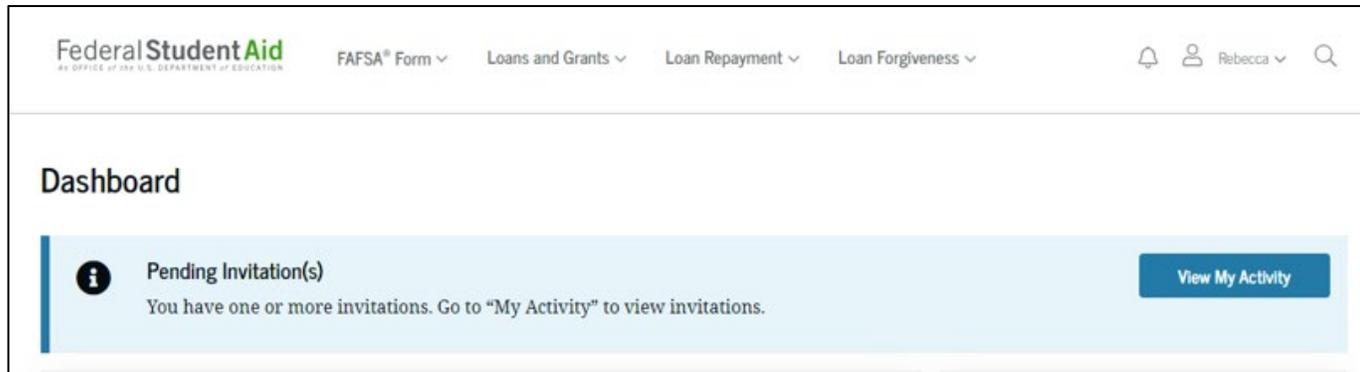
Can't Find Jenny's Form?
Read about what to do if you [can't find your FAFSA® form](#).

 [Sign up for text alerts](#) to stay updated on our grant programs, loan forgiveness programs, repayment plans, and information about your loans.

- Reminders will be sent 7 and 14 days.



Contributor logs in to StudentAid.gov

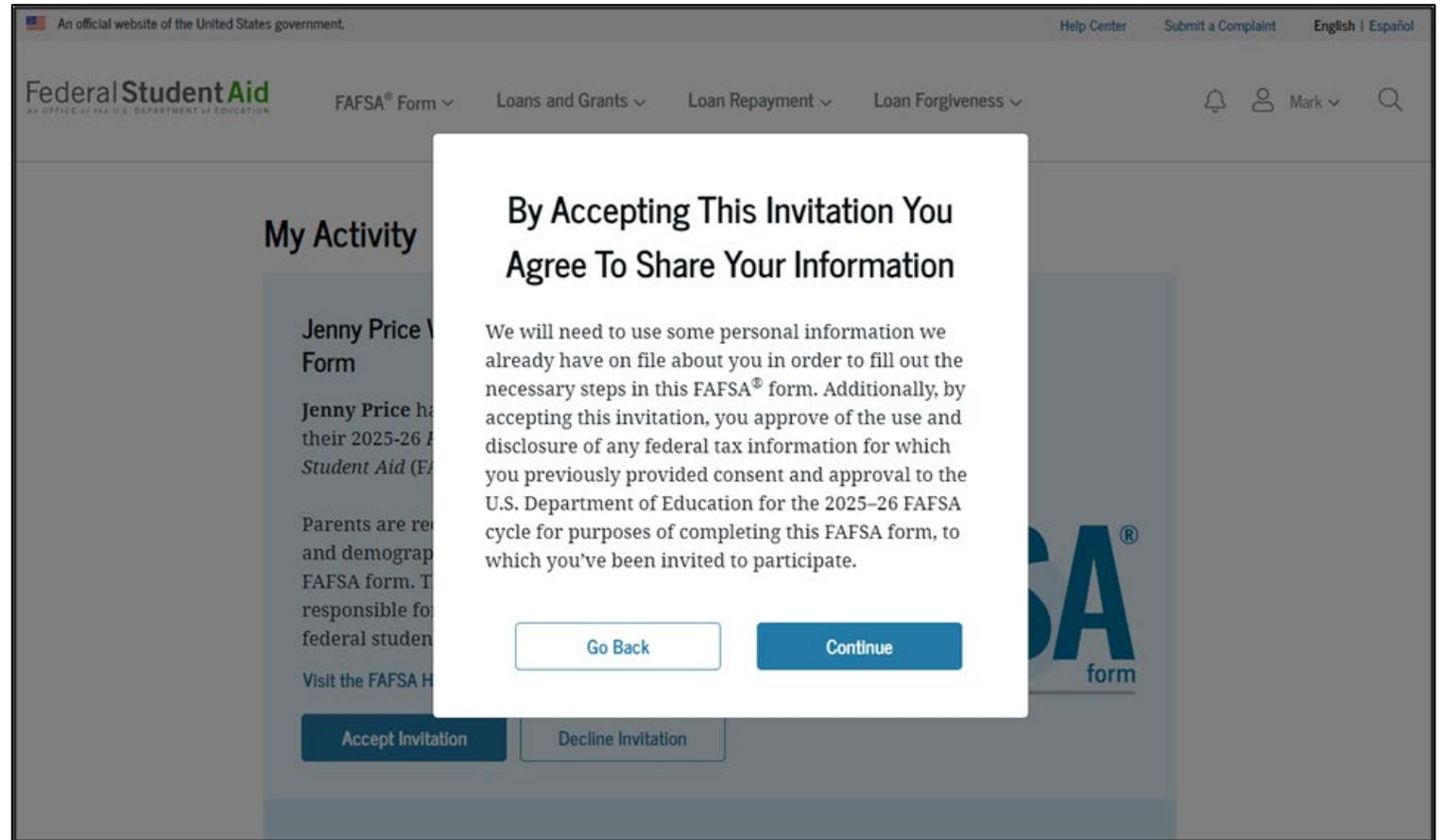


- Invitation to complete their section will be on dashboard
- If no invitation showing, go to “My Activity”
- If no invitation in “My Activity” the invitation in the FAFSA did not have matching name, DOB or SSN of contributor’s StudentAid.gov “Settings”



When the parent selects "Accept Invitation," a pop-up window appears to remind the parent that their personal information is needed to fill out the student's FAFSA[®] form.

The parent selects "Continue" to agree to sharing their information and enters the FAFSA form.



Parent Identity Information

Review the information below and verify that it's correct before moving forward.

Name

Mark P Price

Date of Birth

02/15/2006

Social Security Number

•••••-8046

Email Address

599888046test@testcod.edu

Mobile Phone Number

(555) 557-6007

To update this information for all U.S. Department of Education communications, go to [Account Settings](#).

Permanent Mailing Address

Include apartment number.

123 Test

City

Test

State

CA

Zip Code

12345

Country 

United States (US)

Continue

This is the first page within the parent section.

The parent can verify that their personal information is correct.

To update any of the personal information, the parent must access their Account Settings on StudentAid.gov.



- This page informs the parent about consent and their federal tax information.
- By providing consent, the parents' federal tax information is transferred directly into the FAFSA from the IRS to help complete the Parent Financials section.

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Provide Consent and Approval or the Student Won't Be Eligible for Federal Student Aid

Summary

Your consent and approval are needed to retrieve and disclose federal tax information. With your consent and approval, we can obtain tax return information automatically from the IRS to help you complete your section of the student's FAFSA[®] form. If you don't provide consent and approval, the student will not be eligible for federal student aid, including grants and loans. You must provide consent and approval even if you didn't file a U.S. federal tax return or any tax return.

- Get your 2023 tax return information for the 2025-26 FAFSA form.
- Federal tax information is used to determine the student's eligibility for federal student aid.
- Tax return information is required to complete the FAFSA form.

By accepting below, I consent to the disclosure of information about me, as described below, and further affirmatively approve of the receipt and use of my federal tax information and to the U.S. Department of Education (ED)'s redisclosure of my federal tax information, as described below. By accepting below, I consent to and affirmatively approve of, as applicable, the following:

1. ED may disclose my Social Security number/Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, last name, date of birth, unique identifier, the tax year for which federal tax information is required, and the date and timestamp of my approval for the use of my federal tax information in determining eligibility by ED for which approval is provided to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service (IRS). I understand that in response to such a request from ED, the IRS shall then disclose my federal tax information to "authorized persons" (i.e., specifically designated officers and employees of ED and its contractors (as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 6103(i)(13)(E))) for the purpose of determining eligibility for and the amount of federal student aid under a program authorized under subpart 1 of part A, part C, or part D of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, for myself or an applicant for federal student aid who has requested that I share my federal tax information on their *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA[®])* form.
2. Authorized persons at ED and its contractors (as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 6103(i)(13)(E)) may use my federal tax information for the purpose of determining the eligibility for and amount of federal student aid under a program authorized under subpart 1 of part A, part C, or part D of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, for myself or a FAFSA applicant who has requested that I share my federal tax information on the FAFSA form.
3. ED may redisclose my federal tax information received from the IRS pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 6103(i)(13)(D)(iii) to the following entities solely for the use in the application, award, and administration of financial aid:
 - Institutions of higher education participating in the federal student aid programs authorized under subpart 1 of part A, part C, or part D of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended
 - State higher education agencies
 - Scholarship organizations designated prior to Dec. 19, 2019, by the secretary of education



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 Parent of Jenny Price

Parent Demographics

We'll ask questions about you and your family. These questions will help determine how much federal student aid the student is eligible to receive for school.



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Parent Current Marital Status ⓘ

Single (never married)

Unmarried and both legal parents living together

Married (not separated)

Remarried

Separated

Divorced

Widowed

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Parent State of Legal Residence

State ⓘ

Georgia (GA)

Date the Parent Became a Legal Resident of Georgia (GA)

Month Year

01 1985 ⓘ

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Parent Finances

The FAFSA[®] form helps determine the student's eligibility for federal student aid. We ask about your financial information in this section.



What if you have special financial circumstances?

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If parent's AGI is less than or equal to \$60,000 AND someone in the household qualifies for one of these “federally means tested benefits”, **assets will be EXCLUDED** from the FAFSA formula.

*Must financially qualify for “Free or Reduced Lunch”

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Federal Benefits Received

Questions Don't Affect Federal Student Aid Eligibility
Your answers to these questions will not affect the student's eligibility for federal student aid or these federal benefits.

At any time during 2023 or 2024, did the parent or anyone in their family receive benefits from any of the following federal programs? ⓘ
Select all that apply:

- Earned Income Credit (EIC) ⓘ
- Federal Housing Assistance ⓘ
- Free or Reduced Price School Lunch ⓘ
- Medicaid ⓘ
- Refundable Credit for Coverage Under a Qualified Health Plan (QHP) ⓘ
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) ⓘ
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) ⓘ
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) ⓘ
- Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) ⓘ
- None of these apply.

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Parent Tax Filing Status

Did or will the parent file a 2023 IRS Form 1040 or 1040-NR? ⓘ

Yes No

Did or will the parent file a 2023 joint tax return with their current spouse? ⓘ

Yes No

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2023 income tax info is required for the 2025-26 FAFSA

The 2026-27 FAFSA will ask for 2024 income tax info

Indicate which one of the following situations applies to the parent

- The parent filed or will file a tax return with Puerto Rico or another U.S. territory.
- The parent filed or will file a foreign tax return.
- Either the parent earned income in a foreign country but did not and will not file a foreign tax return, or they were an employee of an international organization but not required to report their income on any tax return.
- The parent, even though they earned income in the U.S., did not and will not file a U.S. tax return because their income was below the tax filing threshold.
- The parent did not and will not file a U.S. tax return for reasons other than low income.
- The parent did not and will not file any tax return because they did not earn any income.

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Family Size

Is the parent's family size different from the number of individuals claimed on their 2023 tax return?

Family size includes the parent (and their spouse), the student, and other people, if they now live with the parent and the parent will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026. This includes dependent children who meet these criteria, even if they live apart because of college enrollment.

Yes No

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Yes No

Based on answers to previous questions, we've made some assumptions about your family. The student and the student's parent (and parent's spouse, if married) are always included in the family size. The box below shows your family size based on our assumptions and the number of children or other dependents you report.

 The parent's family size is 3.

Parent: 1 Parent Spouse or Partner: 1 Student: 1 Parent's Children and Other Dependents: 0

Enter the number of children or other dependents who live with the parent and will receive more than half of their support from the parent between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026.

Do not include the student applicant.

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★ **Always click "yes"** here to make sure the family size is correct.

If not correct, enter the number of children or other dependents who live with the parents and will receive more than half of their support from the parent between July 1, 2025 & June 30, 2026



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Number in College

Out of the 4 people in the parent's family, how many will be in college between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026?

Do not include parent(s).

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Manual pathway will appear when:

- Tax filing status doesn't reflect current marital status.
 - Example: filed a "married-filing-joint" tax return but are now divorced
- Contributor hasn't allowed for Social Security Administration match time to happen **(recommend to wait until matched)**
- Foreign income

★ Click on "Where to find this information on the tax form"

The image shows two overlapping screenshots. The top screenshot is the FAFSA 'Parent 2023 Tax Return Information' page. It has a progress bar with 'Demographics' (1), 'Financials' (2), and 'Signature' (3). The 'Financials' step is active. A red arrow points to the question 'Where to find this information on the tax form?' with the answer 'Married filing jointly' selected. Below this are input fields for 'Income Earned From Work' (\$5,000.00), 'Tax Exempt Interest Income' (\$900.00), 'Unpaid Portions of IRA Distributions' (\$0.00), 'Unpaid Portions of Pensions' (\$0.00), and 'Adjusted Gross Income' (\$3,000.00).

The bottom screenshot is a 2023 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return (Form 1040). A red box highlights the 'Filing Status' section, where 'Married filing jointly' is selected. Another red box highlights the 'Digital Assets' section. A third red box highlights the 'Tax and Credits' section, specifically line 23 'Other taxes, including self-employment tax, from Schedule 2, line 21'. A fourth red box highlights the 'Payments' section, specifically line 25 'Federal income tax withheld from: a Form(s) W-2, b Form(s) 1099, c Other forms (see instructions), d Add lines 25a through 25c'. A fifth red box highlights the 'Part II Adjustments to Income' section, specifically line 15 'Deductible part of self-employment tax, Attach Schedule SE'. The form also shows 'Taxable amount' of 5b and 'Taxable amount' of 5b.

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i Report Combined Assets and Child Support Received
Report the combined assets and child support received for both parents.

Annual Child Support Received

Enter the total amount of child support the parent received for the last complete calendar year.

\$.00 ⓘ

Parent Assets

Total Amount of Cash, Savings, and Checking Accounts on the Date the FAFSA Form Was First Submitted

Don't include student aid.

\$.00 ⓘ

Net Worth of Investments, Including Real Estate, on the Date the FAFSA Form Was First Submitted

Don't include the home the parent lives in. Net worth is the value of the investments minus any debts owed against them.

\$.00 ⓘ

Net Worth of Businesses and Investment Farms on the Date the FAFSA Form Was First Submitted

Enter the net worth of the parent's businesses and for-profit agricultural operations. Net worth is the value of the businesses and farms minus any debts owed against them.

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Parent Assets

- “Child support for received **for the last complete calendar year**”
- List amounts “**on the date the FAFSA form was first submitted**”
- Investments **do** include:
 - 2nd properties
 - non-retirement investments
- Investments **do not** include:
 - The home you live in
 - Retirement accounts
 - Cars/boats/etc.
- Net worth = market value minus debt



- When parents are married, **demographic information for the parent's spouse or partner** (student's other biological parent) is required.
- If parents filed a joint tax return, **do not enter an email address**. This will send an invitation for the other parent to complete a section that they don't need to complete

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Parent Spouse's or Partner's Information

Enter the following information about the parent spouse or partner.

If they already have a StudentAid.gov account username and password (FSA ID), the information entered here must exactly match that account. Only the email address doesn't need to match.

We highly recommend you provide the necessary information on this page, and select either "Continue" or "Save" before exiting the form.

IMPORTANT: If your contributor doesn't have a Social Security number, you may encounter an issue that impacts your ability to add them to your form. If you receive this error, review the [guidance and recommended workaround](#) and try again.

Parent Spouse or Partner

First Name [ⓘ]
Ally

Last Name [ⓘ]
Price

Date of Birth [ⓘ]
Month: 02 Day: 13 Year: 1981

Social Security Number (SSN) [ⓘ]
***-**-6263 SHOW SSN

The parent spouse or partner doesn't have an SSN.

Email Address [ⓘ]
allyp@gmail.com

Confirm Email Address [ⓘ]
allyp@gmail.com

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Imported income
information is not visible

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Continue To Sign Your Form

Here's a summary of the information you provided on the FAFSA[®] form. Continue once you're ready to submit.



Scroll To Continue
After reviewing your answers, scroll to the bottom of the page to continue. You must continue past this page to sign and submit your section of the FAFSA form.

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★ The last contributor to complete their section will have the opportunity to **submit** the FAFSA.

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Demographics ✓ Financials ✓ Signature 3

Sign and Submit the FAFSA[®] Form ⓘ

Summary

This page confirms that you understand the terms and conditions of the FAFSA[®] form and filled out the form accurately to the best of your ability.

The FAFSA form is a legal document you will electronically sign with your account username and password (FSA ID). Because your FSA ID is associated with your personal information, do not share it with anyone.

By signing the student's application electronically using your account username and password, YOU, THE PARENT, certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked, to provide

- information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form, and
- U.S. or foreign income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand that the secretary of education has the authority to verify information reported on your application.

If you sign this application or any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a username and password, and/or any other credential, you certify that you are the person identified by the username and password, and/or any other credential and have not disclosed that username and password, and/or any other credential to anyone else. If you purposefully give false or misleading information, including applying as an independent student without meeting the unusual circumstances required to qualify for such a status, you may be subject to criminal penalties under 20 U.S.C. 1097, which may include a fine up to \$20,000, imprisonment, or both.

Additionally, by signing this application electronically using your FSA ID, you authorize the U.S. Department of Education to disclose all information you provided on this application, as required under Section 483(a)(2)(D)(i) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, to the institutions identified herein, state higher education agencies (in the student's state of residence and the states in which the institutions identified herein are located), and designated scholarship organizations to assist with the application, award, and administration of federal, state, or institutional financial aid programs and designated scholarship programs. Notwithstanding this authorization, the name of an institution the student selected to authorize such disclosure shall not be shared with any other institution.

Sign for yourself and submit the application for Jenny Price (Student).

I, Mark Price, agree to the terms outlined above.

Previous Sign and Submit



- When parent submits the FAFSA, they will see a congratulations page with limited information.
- **Student** will receive email confirmation with estimated SAI.

The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2025-26 completion confirmation page. At the top, it says "FAFSA FORM 2025-26" and "Parent of Jenny Price". The main heading is "Congratulations, The FAFSA Form Is Complete!" with a graduation cap icon and the name "Jenny Price". The completion date is "08/28/2024". Below this is a section titled "What Happens Next" with three items:

- Email Sent**: Confirm that the student received an email version of this page.
- The Student Can Track the Status of Their Form**: In one to three days, the student's FAFSA form will be processed and made available to their schools.
- The Student Will Receive School Communications**: We use the information collected on the student's FAFSA form to calculate their Student Aid Index (SAI). The SAI lets schools determine how much aid the student is eligible to receive. Schools will reach out to the student if they need more information. They will also contact the student with financial aid offers. Once received, the student can contact their financial aid offices directly to ask questions about their student aid packages.

At the bottom, there is a section titled "Track and Manage the Student's FAFSA Form" with a "View Status" button. The text below the button says: "You can check the status of the student's application in the 'My Activity' section of your account Dashboard. We will let you know if we need anything more from you."

Here's What's Next



Nicole Vachon,

We received your *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* form.

Submission date: **February 14, 2025**

Date Release Number (DRN): **2953**

Note: Keep your DRN private. [Read about the Data Release Number](#) for more information.

Estimated Student Aid Index (SAI) = -1500



Email is from the **U.S. Department of Education** with a subject line of *"We Received Your FAFSA Form"*

Includes info on federal aid ONLY – wait for the Financial Aid Offer from the College to get the whole picture.

Email When Submitted Sent to Student **ONLY**

The SAI is **not** a measure of how much student aid you'll receive or how much you'll pay for college. Schools use your SAI to determine your federal student aid eligibility.

Based on the **eligibility criteria**, you may be eligible for a **Federal Pell Grant** of up to \$7,395. You may also be eligible for other federal, state, or institutional **grants**; scholarships; and/or work-study programs.



What Happens Next



Receive Notification of Processing

We will process your FAFSA® form within one to three days. You can view the status of your FAFSA form online.



Watch for School Communications

We use the information collected on your FAFSA® form to



**Dependent Student
Parent Starts the FAFSA**



Filing the FAFSA

If Parent starts the FAFSA they will:

- provide student identifying information (results in invite being sent)
- see the onboarding screens; and
- answer questions that determine dependency:
 - Onboarding screens
 - **Student personal circumstances**
 - **Student other circumstances** (homelessness)
 - **Student unusual circumstances**

These questions determine student **dependency status**.



Filing the FAFSA

Next, **Parent** will see the following sections:

- Review parent identity
- **Consent and approval**
- **Demographics**
- **Parent Financials**
- Parent spouse info (if applicable)
- Review and sign





Student “My Activity”

Student will receive the email invitation with link or can go directly to **StudentAid.gov** and log in with StudentAid.gov account.

The screenshot shows the StudentAid.gov website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the text "An official website of the United States government." on the left, and "Help Center", "Submit a Complaint", and "English | Español" on the right. Below this is the "Federal Student Aid" logo and a menu with options: "FAFSA® Form", "Loans and Grants", "Loan Repayment", and "Loan Forgiveness". On the right side of the navigation bar, there are icons for a notification bell, a user profile labeled "Jack", and a search icon.

My Activity

Stephen Mendoza Wants Your Help on a FAFSA® Form

Stephen Mendoza has identified you as a spouse on their 2025-26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form.

Spouses are required to contribute their financial and demographic information on the student's FAFSA form. This does not make you financially responsible for Stephen's educational costs or any federal student loans they decide to accept.

[Visit the FAFSA Help Center](#)

By accepting this invitation, you agree to share your personal and contact information from your StudentAid.gov account on the student's FAFSA form. Once you accept, your information will be linked to this form.



Regardless of who is completing, the following sections must be completed:

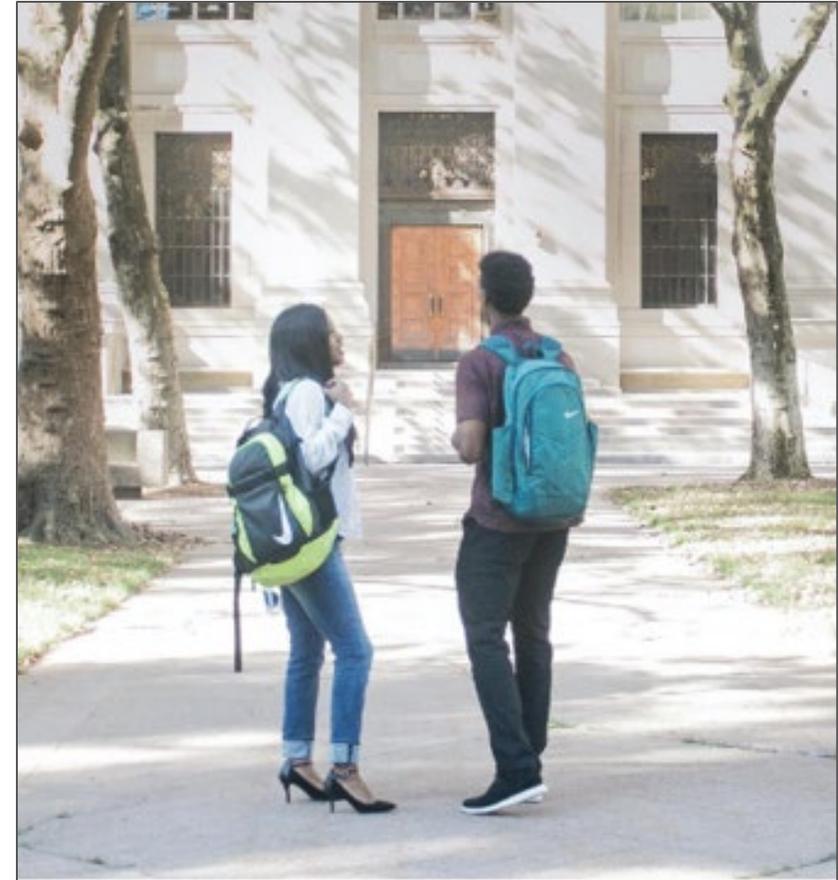
- **Demographic** information (including gender, ethnicity, citizenship, student high school, etc.)
- **Student financials** (will need to be entered manually if parent is completing via confirmation page link)
- **Colleges** - list all colleges they are considering (up to 20 colleges can be added)
- **STUDENT must** log in with [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) account at some point to provide consent and sign.



Independent Students

Independent Students

- Will see all questions that a dependent student sees.
- Will need to answer the following questions in the Independent Student Financials section:
 - Family size
 - Number in college
- **If married:**
 - Student will need to invite spouse if they didn't file a joint tax return for FAFSA filing year
 - Example: 2024 taxes for the 2026-27 FAFSA
 - If joint tax return was filed, student will need to provide spouse's demographic information, but spouse will not need to sign in with [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) account.





A submitted FAFSA will show a status of **“In Review”** until FAFSA sections are processed

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2025–26 FAFSA® Form

 In Review *Last Updated: 02/24/2025*

2025–26 FAFSA® Form: Parent Contributor



Noah Smith

 In Review *Last Updated: 02/24/2025*

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Student **Raya Tran** | Application Received **Aug. 29, 2024** | Application Processed **Aug. 29, 2024** | Data Release Number **4110** | Viewing: **Submission 2**

Eligibility Overview | FAFSA Form Answers | School Information | **Next Steps**

Eligibility Overview | FAFSA Form Answers | **School Information** | **Next Steps**

Find an Affordable School

Many schools offer the opportunity to attend college affordably. Learn about the costs and benefits associated with the schools you listed on your form.

[Learn More on College Scorecard](#) Showing results for family income between **\$0-\$30,000**

School Name	Graduation Rate	Retention Rate	Transfer Rate	Default Rate	Median Debt Upon Completion	Average Annual Cost
Allen School - Brooklyn	77.49%	66.41%	N/A	3.1%	\$9,500	\$22,666
Genesee Community College	30.95%	54.17%	29.86%	5.2%	\$11,622	\$4,060
Suny at Purchase	65.93%	78.57%	22.95%	2.9%	\$21,067	\$14,327

Eligibility Overview | FAFSA Form Answers | **School Information** | **Next Steps**

Estimated Federal Student Aid

Federal Pell Grant
A Federal Pell Grant is awarded to undergraduate students who have financial need and who have not earned a degree or are in a teacher certification program. Federal Pell Grants don't need to be repaid. Up to **\$7,395**

Federal Direct Loans
A federal direct loan is money lent by the government to you that you must repay with interest. Up to **\$5,500**

Federal Work-Study
Federal Work-Study is a way for students to earn money to pay for school through part-time jobs on or off campus. You May Be Eligible

Amounts shown here are only estimates of federal student aid based on full-time enrollment and the average cost of attendance. Your school will determine how much student aid to offer you, which may include additional aid from your school or state.

[Learn more about financial aid](#)

Keep in mind, this is only an estimate
Always refer to your school's financial aid offer for a final determination of financial aid available.

Eligibility Overview | **FAFSA Form Answers** | School Information | **Next Steps**

Your FAFSA[®] Form Answers

Review your responses carefully and make sure all the information you provided is correct. Start a correction to fix any errors and ensure that your form is processed correctly. [Make a Correction](#)

Student Sections

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Introduction ↑

Personal Identifiers

First Name → Raya

Middle Name → A

Last Name → Tran

Suffix →

Date of Birth → 5/5/2003

Social Security Number →1234

Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) →

Federal Student Aid | FAFSA[®] Form | Loans and Grants | Loan Repayment | Loan Forgiveness | Nicole

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FAFSA[®] FORM 2025-26 FAFSA Submission Summary

Student **Nicole Vachon** | Application Received **Feb. 14, 2025** | Application Processed **Feb. 18, 2025** | Data Release Number **4110** | Viewing: **Submission 1**

Eligibility Overview | FAFSA Form Answers | School Information | **Next Steps**

Next Steps

- Correct any errors on your FAFSA[®] form**

We can't successfully process your FAFSA form due to the errors listed on this page. Review the list of errors for instructions.

 - You didn't report your family size. Select "Make Corrections" to update your information.
 - Critical tax information is missing from your form. Select "Make Corrections" to update your information.
 - If you need additional help with your FAFSA Submission Summary, contact your college's or career school's financial aid office or select "Visit Help Center" from the FAFSA home page. If your contact information changes, update your information in your Account Settings. Then, select "Make Corrections" to update the information on your FAFSA form.
- Make sure your schools have everything they need
- Look out for aid-related communications from your schools

View All of Your Federal Student Aid In One Place

View detailed information about your federal loan and grant aid, including your enrollment history, payment history, and subsidized usage.

[Visit My Aid](#)

Find the Right College or Career School

Use College Scorecard to compare schools by size, location, graduation rate, and more.

[Visit College Scorecard](#)



FAFSA Status

 Draft

Draft: Your section of the FAFSA form is incomplete.

 In Progress

In Progress: You provided your consent, approval, and signature to your section of the FAFSA form, but it has not been submitted yet.

 In Review

In Review: Your FAFSA form was submitted but hasn't been processed yet.

 Action Required

Action Required: You are missing your consent and approval or signature or the FAFSA form was processed, but a correction is required.

 Processed

Processed: Your application was processed successfully. No further action is needed.

 Closed

Closed: Your FAFSA form was never submitted and can no longer be submitted because the federal FAFSA deadline passed.



View After Submission

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My Aid



You currently don't have any federal loans or grants.

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2024–25 FAFSA® Form

Draft *Last Updated: 02/21/2025*

2025–26 FAFSA® Form: Parent Contributor

Action Required *Last Updated: 02/21/2025* **Becky Jones**

2025–26 FAFSA® Form

Processed *Processed: 02/24/2025*

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Processed

FAFSA® Information

Student	Data Release Number (DRN)	Submission Number
Nicole Vachon	2953	02

Actions :

- Add or Remove Schools
- Make Corrections
- View FAFSA Submission Summary

Status Tracker

- FAFSA® Correction Started
Started on Feb 24, 2025
- FAFSA® Correction Submitted
Submitted on Feb 24, 2025
- FAFSA® Correction Processed
Processed on Feb 24, 2025

Congratulations! Your FAFSA® form has been processed successfully! We recommend downloading a copy of your completed application to keep for your records.

Your FAFSA Submission Summary is ready!

Your FAFSA Submission Summary gives you information about your eligibility for federal student aid and lists your answers to the questions.

[FAFSA Submission Summary](#)

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- [Understand Financial Aid](#)
- [FAFSA Landing Page](#)
- [Information on Federal Pell Grant Program](#)
- [Information on Federal Work-Study \(FWS\) Program](#)
- [How Aid Is Calculated](#)

- ★ Here you can
- Add/Remove Schools
 - Make Corrections
 - View/Print FAFSA Submission Summary (FSS)



Make Corrections

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Correct Your FAFSA[®] Form

Ready to make updates?

-  **Add or Remove School(s)**
Add up to 20 schools. Each school listed on your FAFSA form will receive a copy of your FAFSA information. Select >
-  **Update Answers to Questions on Your FAFSA[®] Form**
Revise your answers to fix errors or incorrect information on your FAFSA form. Select >
-  **Update Information for Your Contributor(s)**
Re-invite contributors or update their contact information. Select >



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