

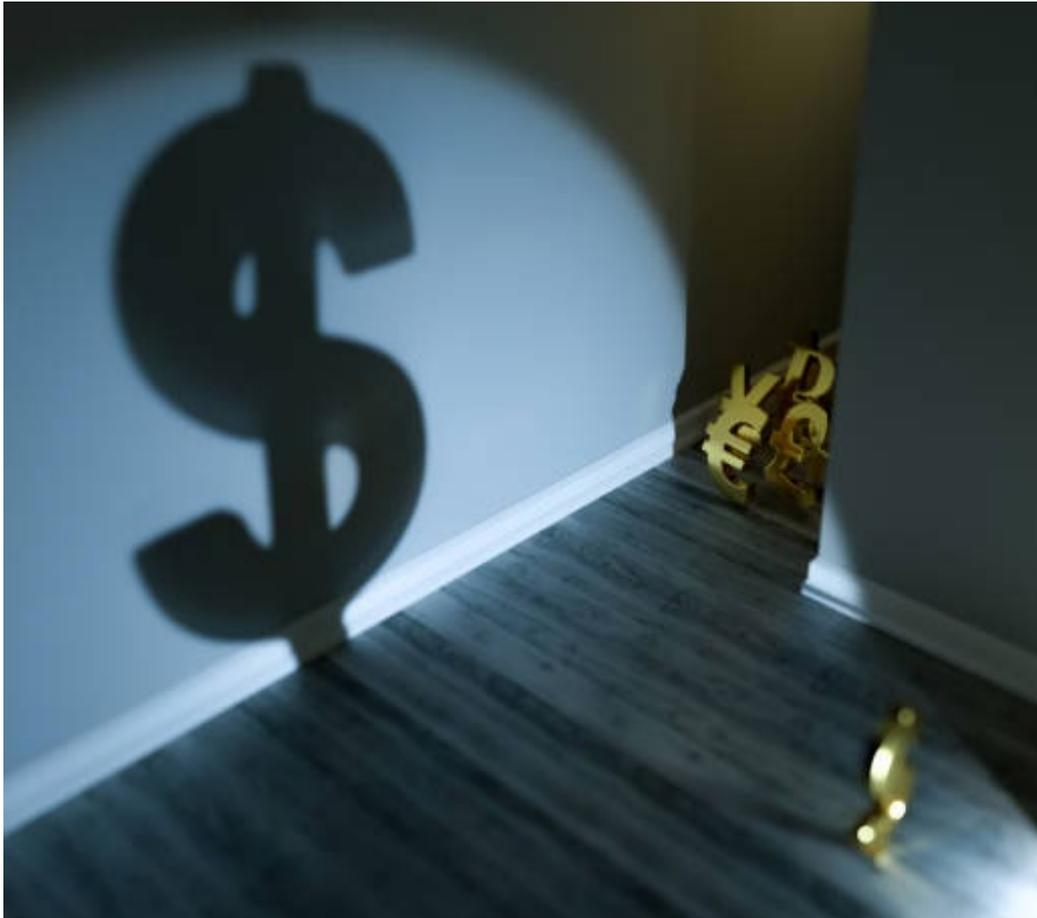


2026-27 FAFSA Demo

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StudentAid.gov Account

- **First step** in the FAFSA filing process.
- Accounts are created at **StudentAid.gov**.
- When an account is created, individuals set up a **username and password**.
- A StudentAid.gov account is required to access the FAFSA and all Federal Student Aid processes and serves as legal signature.



Filing the FAFSA Dependent Students

The FAFSA is a *Roles-Based* form

Student Section



Either student or parent can start the FAFSA and they will “invite” the other to complete the FAFSA.

The invite is what connects the student and parent sections of the FAFSA.

Parent Section



- Federal Student Aid (FSA) recommends the student start the FAFSA.
- The process for the student to invite the parent has been simplified and no longer do students need their parent’s DOB or SSN.
- If the student is not available, the parent can start the FAFSA.

Dependent Student Scenario

Student Starts the FAFSA and Completes the Student Section



For today's first demonstration, the
student starts the FAFSA



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Accept an Invitation for a 2026–27 FAFSA® Form

Accept an Invitation



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Check FAFSA® Deadlines for the State You Live In

Some states and schools use information from the FAFSA® form to determine your eligibility for their grants, scholarships, and loans. Check your state's deadlines here!

Missing a state deadline doesn't impact your eligibility for federal student aid, so fill out your FAFSA form even if your state deadline has passed.

School Year

State of Residence

[Find Deadlines](#)

[View All FAFSA Deadlines](#)

- If student is not logged into StudentAid.gov, they'll be taken to the Log In screen.
- A username, verified email, or verified mobile phone number can be used.
- Link to **retrieve username** and to **reset password**.
- If no account can click on "Create Account."

The screenshot shows the Federal Student Aid website's login interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Federal Student Aid logo, a search icon, and links for "Log In" and "Create Account". Below the navigation bar, there are several menu items: "FAFSA Form", "Grants and Loans", "Loan Repayment", and "Loan Forgiveness". The main content area features a "Log In" heading. Below the heading is a text input field labeled "Email, Phone, or Username" containing the text "599887938test@testcod.edu". To the right of the input field is a small icon for toggling visibility. Below the input field is a link that says "Forgot email, phone, or username?". At the bottom of the form is a blue "Continue" button. Below the form, there is a link that says "Create an Account".

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- Two-step verification is required **every time** individual logs in to StudentAid.gov.
- This makes it more difficult for a parent to complete the student section of the FAFSA.

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Two-Step Verification

You have the following two-step verification methods enabled. Select one to complete verification.



Authenticator App (Most Secure)
Use the authenticator app you set up to use with your account to get a secure code.

Enter Code



SMS Verification
(...) ... 0444

Send Code



Email Verification
mt.....@famemaine.com

Send Code

[Help me access my account](#)

Click on the role of the person who logged in to StudentAid.gov
(**student in this scenario**).

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Welcome, Alex,
to the FAFSA[®] Form

I am starting the FAFSA form as a

Student  Parent 

Did you receive an invitation code?
[Enter Code](#)

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There are **four** onboarding videos the first time someone starts their section of the FAFSA.

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Understanding the FAFSA[®] Form

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What is the FAFSA[®] form?

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA[®]) form to apply for grants, scholarships, work-study funds, and loans for college, career school, or graduate school.

You might need the following information or documents as you fill out the FAFSA form:

- Tax returns
- Records of child support received
- Current balances of cash, savings, and checking accounts
- Net worth of investments, businesses, and farms



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What is FAFSA[®] and why is it important?

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To make updates individuals will need to go to [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) and click on **“Settings.”**

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Student Identity Information

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

Name
Alex Tran

Date of Birth
02/15/2006

Social Security Number
***-**-9036

Email Address
599889036test@testcoo.edu

Mobile Phone Number
(555) 557-6997

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

Permanent Mailing Address
Include apartment number.
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City
dsfds

State
IA

Zip Code
34343

Country ⓘ
United States (US)

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Student State of Residence

State

Usually, this is the state where the student lives while not attending school.

Iowa (IA)



Date the Student Became a Resident of Iowa (IA)

If the student was born in Iowa (IA) and has not moved out of state since, enter their date of birth. Otherwise, enter the date the student moved to Iowa (IA).

Month

Year

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- This page informs the student about consent and their federal tax information.
- By providing consent, the student's federal tax information is **transferred directly into the FAFSA** from the IRS to help complete the Financials section (though info is not visible but "lives" behind the scenes).
- This page is very long!

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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:

- 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(l)(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.
- Authorized persons at ED and its contractors (as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 6103(l)(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.
- ED may redisclose my federal tax information received from the IRS pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 6103(l)(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, award, and administration of such financial aid

- This is the bottom of the same page.
- FAQs with more information.
- **Every individual** must provide consent/ approve to be eligible for federal aid (even if they don't file taxes).
- The student selects **"Approve"** to provide consent and is taken to the next page.

By accepting below, I consent electronically to the use of my StudentAid.gov account username and password (FSA ID) as my signature and certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, that the foregoing is true and correct. I understand that any falsification of this statement is punishable under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 by a fine, imprisonment of not more than five years, or both, and that the knowing and willful request for or acquisition of records pertaining to an individual under false pretenses is a criminal offense under the *Privacy Act of 1974*, subject to a fine of not more than \$5,000 fine (5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(i)(3)). By accepting and submitting my part of the FAFSA, my execution (including date and time) of consent and approval will be logged in ED's Person Authentication Service System of Record (18-11-12).

Frequently Asked Questions

Who should provide consent and approval? 

If I'm married and didn't file a joint tax return with my current spouse, does my spouse have to provide consent and approval for you to access their tax information? 

What happens after I provide consent and approval? 

What happens if I decline consent and approval? 

Select "Approve" to provide consent and approval for the use of your federal tax information to determine your eligibility for federal student aid. If you select "Decline," you will not be eligible for federal student aid.

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Decline

Approve

- The student's 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.
- Successful transfer!

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We're securely importing your information.

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

Loading..



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.

- In this scenario, data could not be retrieved – likely due to “inconsistent” tax filing/marital status.
- Federal income tax information will need to be entered manually.



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We're securely importing your information.

! Sorry, data could not be retrieved. Select "Continue" to proceed.
We were unable to retrieve your financial information from the IRS, so you'll need to enter it yourself in the Finances section.

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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 depending on answers in this section. We'll let you know if this is the case.



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Student Current Marital Status ⓘ

- 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 2026-27 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 2026-27 school year, will they already have their first bachelor's degree? ⓘ

Yes No

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If a student can check yes to any of these questions, they will automatically be considered **independent**.

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Student Personal Circumstances

Select all that apply or "None of these apply."

- The student is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training. ①
- The student is a veteran of the U.S. armed forces. ①
- 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, 2026, and June 30, 2027. ①
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were an orphan (no living biological or adoptive parent). ②
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were a ward of the court. ①
- At any time since the student turned 13, they were in foster care. ①
- The student is or was a legally emancipated minor, as determined by a court in their state of residence. ①
- 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. ①
- None of these apply.

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Student Homelessness

At any time on or after July 1, 2025, was the student unaccompanied and either (1) homeless or (2) self-supporting and at risk of being homeless? ⓘ

Yes

No

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- Are there circumstances that prevent the student from contacting their parent?
- Parent unwillingness to provide information or complete the FAFSA **does not** qualify as an unusual circumstance.

The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2026-27 interface for Student Alex Tran. The progress bar indicates the user is on step 1, 'Personal Circumstances'. The main heading is 'Student Unusual Circumstances'. A green box contains the text: 'This information will help us evaluate the student's ability to pay for school.' Below this is a question: 'Do unusual circumstances prevent the student from contacting their parents or would contacting their parents pose a risk to the student?' with a help icon. A definition of unusual circumstances is provided, listing scenarios such as being left home due to an abusive environment, abandoned, having refugee status, being a victim of human trafficking, or being incarcerated. Below the definition are two radio button options: 'Yes' (unselected) and 'No' (selected). At the bottom, there are 'Previous' and 'Continue' buttons.

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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

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- Student will receive a “pop up” box to confirm if they change the answer to “Yes.”
- If “Yes” **eligible for unsubsidized loan only** and will need to follow up w/ the school to sign additional form.

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Your Dependency Status

 **Dependent Student**
Based on your answers, you're a dependent student. This means you must provide parent information on your FAFSA[®] form. This information helps determine how much federal student aid you're 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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Student Demographics

We'll ask questions about your background and family.



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Language changed
(last February) from
“gender” to “sex”
and question can no
longer be skipped.

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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 aid calculations, or
- be shared with the schools to which the student applies.

What is the student's sex? ⓘ

Male

Female

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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 aid calculations, or
- be shared with the schools to which the student applies.

What is the student's race and/or ethnicity?
Select all that apply and enter additional details in the spaces below.

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Chinese

Asian Indian

Filipino

Vietnamese

Korean

Japanese

Other Asian (Enter, for example, Pakistani, Hmong, Afghan, etc.)

Black or African American

Hispanic or Latino

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

The screenshot displays the FAFSA 2026-27 application interface for Student Alex Tran. At the top, the FAFSA logo and form year are visible, along with a 'Save' button and a 'FAFSA Menu' icon. A progress bar indicates the current step is 'Demographics' (step 2), with previous steps 'Personal Circumstances' (step 1) and 'Financials' (step 3) completed, and subsequent steps 'Colleges' (step 4), 'Contributor Invite' (step 5), and 'Signature' (step 6) pending. The main section is titled 'Student Citizenship Status' with an information icon. It contains three radio button options: 'U.S. citizen or national' (selected), 'Eligible noncitizen', and 'Neither U.S. citizen nor eligible noncitizen'. At the bottom, there are 'Previous' and 'Continue' buttons.



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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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 High School Completion Status

What will the student's high school completion status be at the beginning of the 2026–27 school year? ⓘ

- High school diploma
- State-recognized high school equivalent (e.g., GED certificate)
- Homeschooled
- None of the above

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Student High School Information

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

State
Alabama (AL)

City
Brantley

High School Name optional
b x

Brantley High School

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Student High School Information

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

State
Alabama (AL)

City
Brantley

High School Name optional
Brantley High School

Brantley High School
Brantley, Alabama (AL)

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Confirm Your High School

Verify that your high school information below is correct. Once you're ready, select "Continue" and we'll add it to your FAFSA[®] form.

High School Name Edit
Brantley High School

City
Brantley

State
AL

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Your Finances

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

What if you have special financial circumstances?



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Student Tax Filing Status

Did or will the student file a 2024 IRS Form 1040 or 1040-NR? ⓘ

Yes No

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There are still a couple of questions **even if tax information transfers.**

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Student 2024 Tax Return Information

Refer to the student's 2024 tax return to answer the following questions.
If the answer is zero or the question does not apply, enter 0.

i **Report Combined Taxes**
Report the combined tax information for the student and their spouse.

Pension Rollover Into an IRA or Other Qualified Plan

\$.00 ⓘ

Amount of College Grants, Scholarships, or AmeriCorps Benefits Reported as Income to the IRS

Students typically answer this question with a zero because most scholarships and grants, including Federal Pell Grants, are not considered taxable income. If the student is married, include the amount their spouse reported. If the response is other than zero, the amount is typically not the same as the amount reported on IRS Form 1098-T (Box 5) or the adjusted gross income reported on the tax return.

\$.00 ⓘ

Foreign Earned Income Exclusion

\$.00 ⓘ

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Student Assets

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

\$ ⓘ

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

\$ ⓘ

Current Net Worth of Businesses and Farms
Enter the net worth of the student's businesses and income-producing farms. Net worth is the value of the businesses and farms minus any debts owed against them. Don't include a family business with 100 or fewer full-time employees, farms where the family resides, or a commercial fishing business and related expenses.

\$ ⓘ

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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?
Add at least one college or career school now.

You can add or remove schools before and after submitting your form.

You can add up to 20 schools. List any schools you're considering, even if you're not certain you'll apply to them. [Find tips for searching for colleges or career schools.](#)

 0 out of 20 schools selected View Selected Schools

Search by State Enter School Code

American Career College Los Angeles, California (CA)	Federal School Code 015829	+ Select
American Career College Ontario, California (CA)	Federal School Code 039713	✓ Selected
American College of Healthcare and Techn Riverside, California (CA)	Federal School Code 031444	✓ Selected
American Conservatory Theater Foundation San Francisco, California (CA)	Federal School Code 014545	✓ Selected
American Film Institute Los Angeles, California (CA)	Federal School Code G22220	✓ Selected

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Selected Colleges and Career Schools

These are the colleges and career schools that you've selected to receive the FAFSA® form.

Review this list of schools and confirm your selection(s).

School List Guidelines for Texas Residents
To be eligible for state grant aid in Texas, you must list an eligible in-state college. The order of schools in your college list will not impact your eligibility for state aid programs.

4 out of 20 schools selected

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American Career College Ontario, California (CA)	Federal School Code 039713	Remove	View Information
American College of Healthcare and Techn Riverside, California (CA)	Federal School Code 031444	Remove	View Information
American Conservatory Theater Foundation San Francisco, California (CA)	Federal School Code 014545	Remove	View Information
American Film Institute Los Angeles, California (CA)	Federal School Code G22220	Remove	View Information

Search and Select More Schools

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Invite a Parent as a Contributor

A contributor is anyone who's required to provide information on your FAFSA form. You must invite a legal parent—a biological or adoptive parent as determined by the state.

Stepparents and other types of guardians do not count unless they have legally adopted the student.



 Who counts as a parent on the FAFSA form?

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Invite Your Parent to This FAFSA[®] Form

To determine your federal student aid eligibility, we need more information on your household financial situation. You'll need to invite a contributor to provide this information.

As a dependent student, you need to invite a legal parent as a contributor. You only need to invite one parent.

Who counts as a parent on the FAFSA form?

Parent

Invite a Parent Contributor

Email



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Parent

Send Invite to 599887939test@testcod.edu?

We'll send an invitation link and an access code to this email address.

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Parent Contributor

Once your parent accepts the invitation, they can complete the parent section of this FAFSA form.

They may be asked to invite their spouse as a contributor too. You can check the status of contributor invitations from the "My Activity" page.

Parent

599887939test@testcod.edu

Invite Sent

Other Ways to Send the Invite ^

Copy and Send the Invite Link ⓘ

www.fafsa.gov/invite/7NDNUKA Copy Link

You can also have them go to www.fafsa.gov/invite and enter code:

7NDNUKA

Cancel Invite

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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 and select "Continue." Then, sign your section of the FAFSA form.

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Contributor Section

This Section is Shared with 1 Contributor(s) Manage Contributor Information

Contributor(s)	Role	Invite Code	Status
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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 StudentAid.gov 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 StudentAid.gov 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

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- 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, Alex Tran, agree to the terms outlined above.

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

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Student Section 2 Parent Section

Pending Submission

Check With Your Contributor

Parent Contributors

Requirements for Dependent Students

Your FAFSA® form can't be submitted until your contributor(s) fill out their section of the form and sign it. The last contributor to sign will be able to submit the form for processing.

Contributor(s)	Role	Invite Code	Status
 599887939test@testcod.edu	Parent	7NDNUKA	 Invite Sent

[Manage Invitations](#)

Track and Manage Your FAFSA® Form and Contributors

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).

[View Status](#)



Dependent Student

Student Starts the FAFSA and Parent Completes the Parent Section



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This is not a view from within StudentAid.gov or the FAFSA. This is the parent email and if the parent accepts the invite, they are taken to StudentAid.gov

Federal Student Aid

Complete Your Section of Alex's FAFSA® Form



Hello,

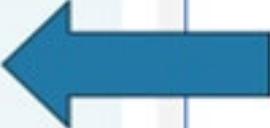
Alex T. started their 2026–27 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form and needs your input as a contributor. Alex won't be eligible for federal student aid without your help.



Accept Invitation

You will need to log in to StudentAid.gov to accept the invitation. If you log in without selecting the "Accept Invitation" button, you will need to go to the "FAFSA® Form" menu at the top of the page, select "Accept Contributor Invite," and provide this code:

7X6XHXF



If this invitation was sent to you by mistake, [decline the invitation](#).

Why You Were Invited

We need some information from you to determine what aid Alex is eligible for. Without your input, they won't be eligible for federal student aid.

Being a contributor doesn't make you responsible for Alex's education costs.

The FAFSA® form is often used to determine a student's eligibility for state and school financial aid in addition to federal financial aid.

We recommend finishing early in case states or schools have earlier deadlines.

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

- When a parent clicks on **“Accept Invitation”** in the email, they’ll be taken to the log in page.
- If they haven’t yet created an account, they’ll select **“Create an Account.”**

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Log In

Email, Phone, or Username

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[Create an Account](#)

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Log In | Create Account

Log In

← 599887939test@testcod.edu

Password

 Show Password

[Forgot password?](#)

Log In

[Create an Account](#)

- After logging in, the parent is taken to the **“Accept 2026-2027 FAFSA Invitation.”**
- The invitation code will automatically fill in if the parent used the link in the email.

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Accept 2026–27 FAFSA® Invitation

Enter the code you received for the FAFSA form.

Invitation Code

Submit

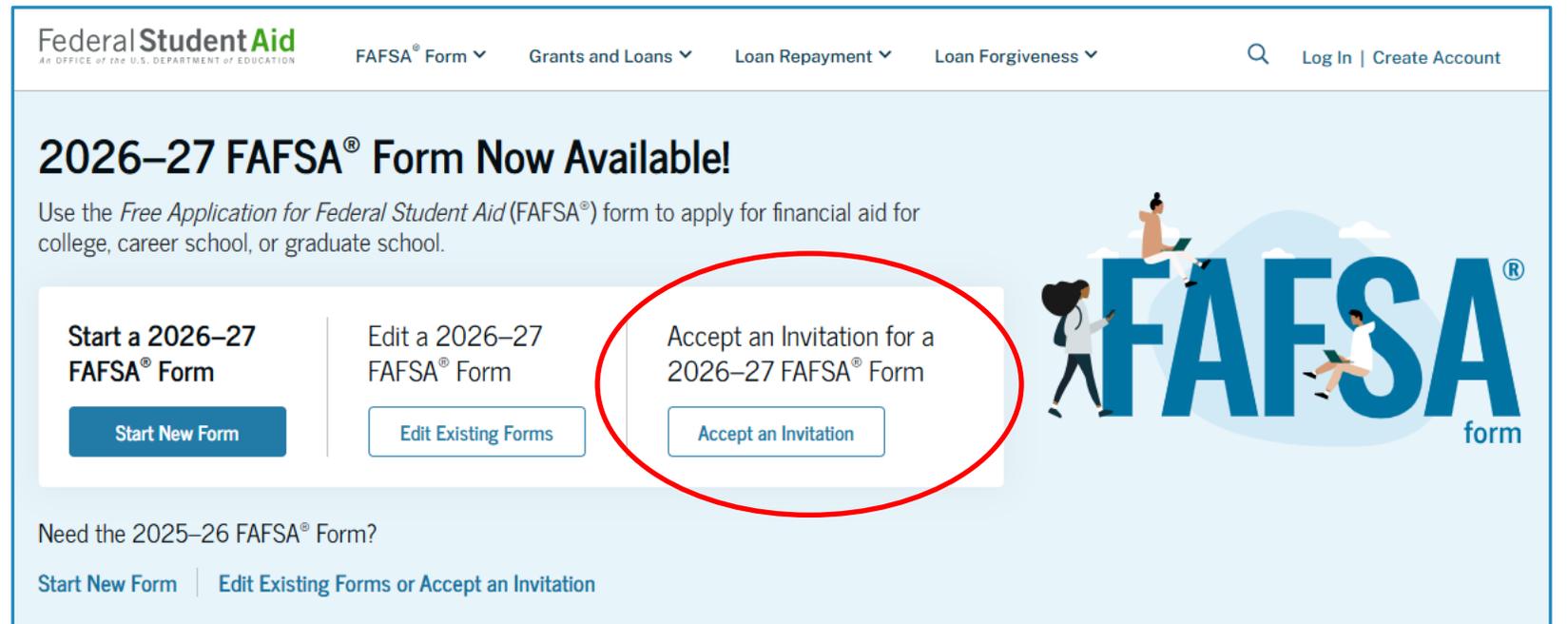
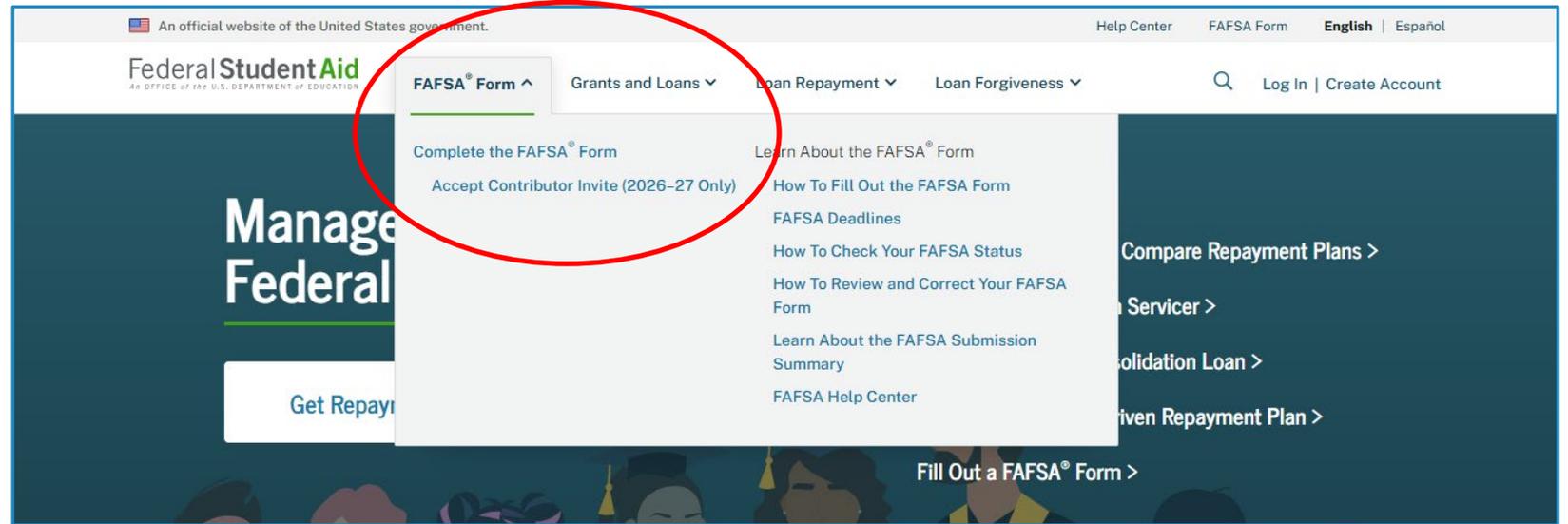
Need to accept an Invitation for a different year?

Go to [My Activity](#) where you can find any existing invitations for an earlier year FAFSA form.

Don't have an Invitation code?

Speak with the person who invited you to the form and ensure they have sent it to your email. Check your inbox for your invitation code.

If the parent doesn't have the email but has the invite code, they can access the FAFSA in other ways!



All options will take the parent to this same page.

Accessing the parent section by entering the **Invitation Code** is what ties the student and the parent sections of the FAFSA together.

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Accept 2026-27 FAFSA® Invitation

Enter the code you received for the FAFSA form.

Invitation Code

Submit

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Go to [My Activity](#) where you can find any existing invitations for an earlier year FAFSA form.

Don't have an invitation code?

Speak with the person who invited you to the form and ensure they have sent it to your email. Check your inbox for your invitation code.

- When the parent clicks on **“Submit,”** a pop-up window appears, confirming the student’s name and reminding the parent that their information is needed to file out the FAFSA.
- The parent selects **“Accept”** to agree to share their info and then enters the FAFSA.

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Accept 2026–27 FAFSA® Invitation

Enter the code you received for the FAFSA form.

Invitation Code

Submit

Need to accept a FAFSA invitation for a different year?

Go to "My Account" to view your FAFSA invitations for previous years.

By Accepting This Invitation to Alex T's FAFSA Form You Agree To Share Your Information

We will need to use some personal information we already have on file about you in order to fill out the necessary steps in this FAFSA® form.

Decline Accept

code?

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When the parent enters the FAFSA for the first time, they'll see **four** onboarding slides.

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Understanding the FAFSA[®] Form

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What is the FAFSA[®] form?

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA[®]) form to apply for grants, scholarships, work-study funds, and loans for college, career school, or graduate school.

You might need the following information or documents as you fill out the FAFSA form:

- Tax returns
- Records of child support received
- Current balances of cash, savings, and checking accounts
- Net worth of investments, businesses, and farms



What is FAFSA[®] and why is it important?

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Parent Identity Information

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

Name
Alcina Tran

Date of Birth
03/14/2004

Social Security Number
****-7939

Email Address
599887939test@testcod.edu

Mobile Phone Number

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

To make updates individuals will need to go to **StudentAid.gov** and click on **“Settings.”**

Permanent Mailing Address
Include apartment number.

200 Ave

City
Austin

State
TX

Zip Code
22828

Country ?
United States (US)

Continue

- 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.

Provide Consent and Approval or the Student Won't Be Eligible for Federal Student Aid ^①

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(l)(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(l)(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(l)(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

- This is the bottom of the same page.
- FAQs with more information.
- The parent selects **"Approve"** to provide consent and is taken to the next page.

student aid and/ or other financial aid program that used FFI to make determinations for eligibility of aid awarded by an institution of higher education, state higher education agency, or other designated scholarship organization.

Frequently Asked Questions

Who should provide consent? ⌵

If I'm married and didn't file a joint tax return with my current spouse, does my spouse have to provide consent for you to access their tax information? ⌵

What happens after I provide consent? ⌵

What happens if I revoke consent? ⌵

What happens if I decline consent? ⌵

Select "Approve" to consent to using your tax information to determine your eligibility for federal student aid. If you select "Decline," you will not be eligible for federal student aid.

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We're securely importing your information.

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



Loading...



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.

In this scenario, data could not be retrieved – likely due to “inconsistent” tax filing/marital status.

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We're securely importing your information.

! Sorry, data could not be retrieved. Select "Continue" to proceed.
We were unable to retrieve your financial information from the IRS, so you'll need to enter it yourself in the Finances section.

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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 Residence

State

Usually, this is the state where the parent lives.

Tennessee (TN) ⓘ

Date the Parent Became a Resident of Tennessee (TN)

If the parent was born in Tennessee (TN) and has not moved out of state since, enter their date of birth. Otherwise, enter the date the parent moved to Tennessee (TN).

Month: 01 Year: 2006 ⓘ

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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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Federal Benefits Received

Responses Won't Reduce Federal Student Aid Eligibility

Answering these questions won't reduce the student's eligibility for federal student aid or these programs.

At any time during 2024 or 2025, did the parent or anyone in their family receive benefits from any of the following federal programs? ⓘ

Family includes the parent's spouse, children, and other dependents. Select all that apply or "None of these 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) or Health Insurance Subsidy ⓘ

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 2024 IRS Form 1040 or 1040-NR? ⓘ

Yes No

Did or will the parent file a 2024 joint tax return with their current spouse? ⓘ

Yes No

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Family Size

Based on answers to previous questions, we've made some assumptions about the parent's 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 the parent's family size based on our assumptions and the number of children or other dependents you report.



The parent's family size is **5**.

Parent: 1 Parent Spouse or Partner: 1 Student: 1 Parent's Children and Other Dependents: 2

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, 2026, and June 30, 2027.

Include dependent children who meet these criteria, even if they live apart because of college enrollment.

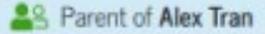
Do not include the student applicant.

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Number in College

Out of the 5 people in the parent's family, how many will be in college between July 1, 2026, and June 30, 2027?

Never include the student's parent(s). Always include the student applicant. Also include the parent's other children or dependents if they will also be in college during this time.

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- There are still a couple of questions **even if tax information transfers.**
- This is a screenshot from last year – for the 2026-27 FAFSA, 2024 income is required.
- Manual pathway will appear when tax filing status doesn't reflect current marital status.

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Parent 2023 Tax Return Information

Refer to the parent's 2023 tax return to answer the following questions.
If the answer is zero or the question does not apply, enter 0.

IRA Rollover Into Another IRA or Qualified Plan

\$.00

Pension Rollover Into an IRA or Other Qualified Plan

\$.00

Amount of College Grants, Scholarships, or AmeriCorps Benefits Reported as Income to the IRS
The parent paid taxes on these grants, scholarships, or benefits. These usually apply to those completing their FAFSA[®] form again, not to first-time applicants. If married, include amount parent's spouse/partner received.

\$.00

Foreign Earned Income Exclusion

\$.00

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- Child support is for the **most recently completed tax year** (i.e. potentially different amounts if filed in December vs. January).
- **Exclude** primary residence, retirement, small family-owned businesses with less than 100 full-time employees, as well as personal possessions.

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Annual Child Support Received

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

\$ 0 .00 ⓘ

Parent Assets

Current Total of Cash, Savings, and Checking Accounts

Don't include student aid, retirement accounts, or investments.

\$ 0 .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.

\$ 0 .00 ⓘ

Current Net Worth of Businesses and Farms

Enter the net worth of the parent's businesses and income-producing farms. Net worth is the value of the businesses and farms minus any debts owed against them. Don't include a family business with 100 or fewer full-time employees, farms where the family resides, or a commercial fishing business and related expenses.

\$ 0 .00 ⓘ

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- The parent is asked to provide their spouse's information.
- In this scenario the other parent doesn't need to sign in and contribute because the parents are married and filed 2024 taxes jointly.

The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2026-27 interface for a user identified as 'Parent of Alex Tran'. At the top, there is a progress bar with three steps: 'Demographics' (completed, marked with a checkmark), 'Financials' (current step, marked with a '2'), and 'Signature' (marked with a '3'). Below the progress bar, the title 'Parent Spouse Information' is displayed. A message states: 'Based on your responses, we need to know your spouse's date of birth. We need to know their age to determine the student's eligibility for federal student aid.' Below this message, there are three input fields for the date of birth: 'Month' (05), 'Day' (04), and 'Year' (1982). At the bottom of the form, there are two buttons: 'Previous' and 'Continue'.

Parents will only see their questions to review.

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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 and select "Continue." Then, sign 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.

The screenshot shows the final step of the FAFSA application process. At the top, the header reads "FAFSA FORM 2025-26" and identifies the user as "Parent of Jenny Price". A progress bar at the top shows three steps: "Demographics", "Financials", and "Signature", with the "Signature" step being the active one. The main heading is "Sign and Submit the FAFSA Form". A green-bordered box contains a "Summary" section with the following text: "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." and "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." Below this, a paragraph states: "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" followed by a bulleted list: "Information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form, and" and "U.S. or foreign income tax forms that you filed or are required to file." Another paragraph reads: "You also certify that you understand that the secretary of education has the authority to verify information reported on your application." A longer paragraph follows: "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." The final paragraph states: "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." Below the text, a light blue box contains a checked checkbox and the text "I, Mark Price, agree to the terms outlined above." At the bottom, there are two buttons: "Previous" and "Sign and Submit". The "Sign and Submit" button is circled in red.

- 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 2026-27 completion confirmation page for Alex Tran. The page features a celebratory banner with hot air balloons and the text "Congratulations, the FAFSA Form Is Complete!". Below the banner, the student's name "Alex Tran" is displayed, along with the completion date "07/17/2025". The page is divided into sections: "What Happens Next" with three bullet points, and "Track and Manage the Student's FAFSA Form" with a "View Status" button.

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Congratulations,
the FAFSA Form Is Complete!

Alex Tran

Completion Date
07/17/2025

What Happens Next

- 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.

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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.

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Confirmation Email (Student Only!)

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

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

Submission date: **January 09, 2024**

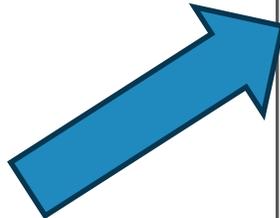
Date Release Number (DRN): **9525**

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

Estimated Student Aid Index (SAI) = 13108

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.

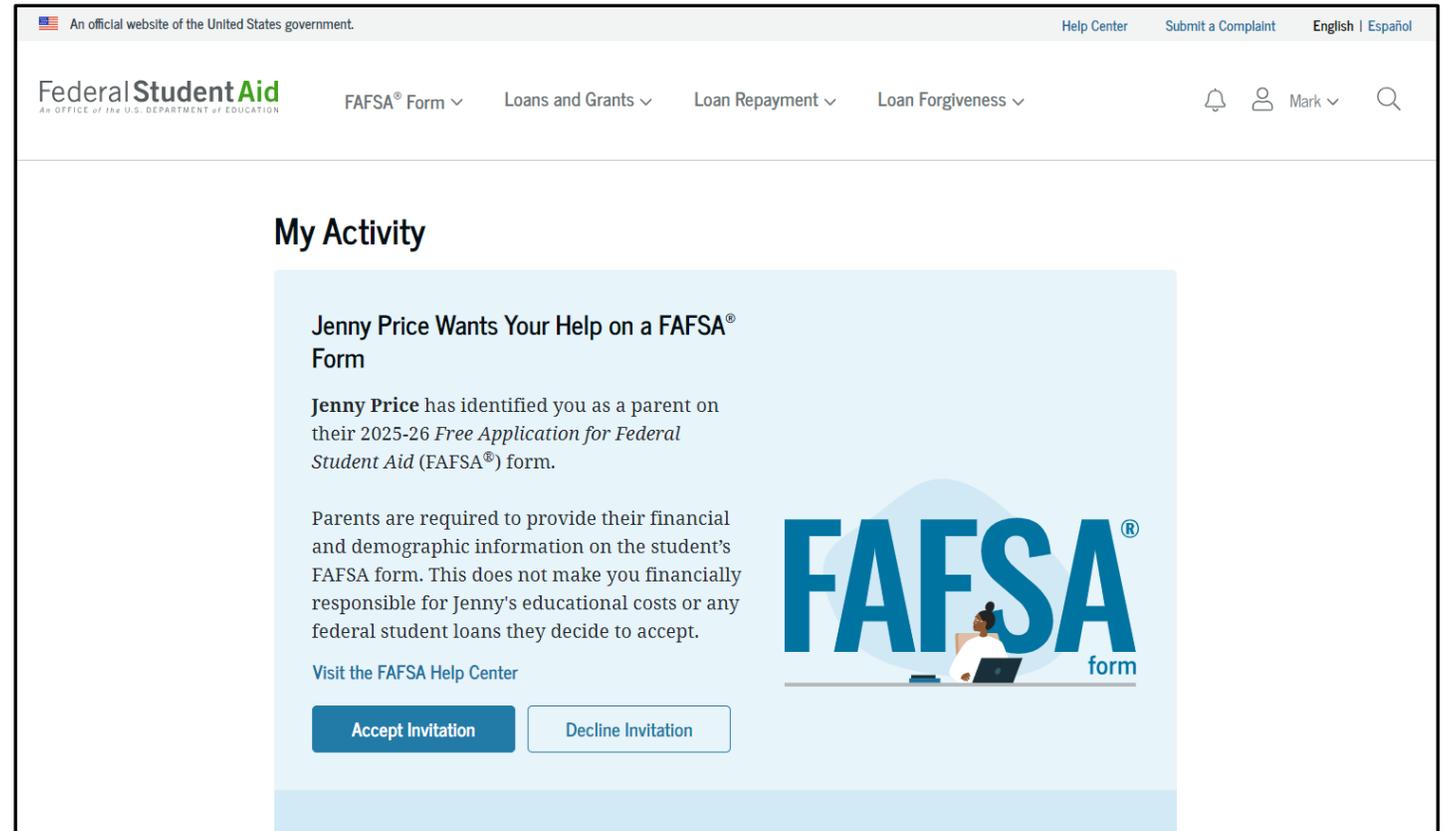
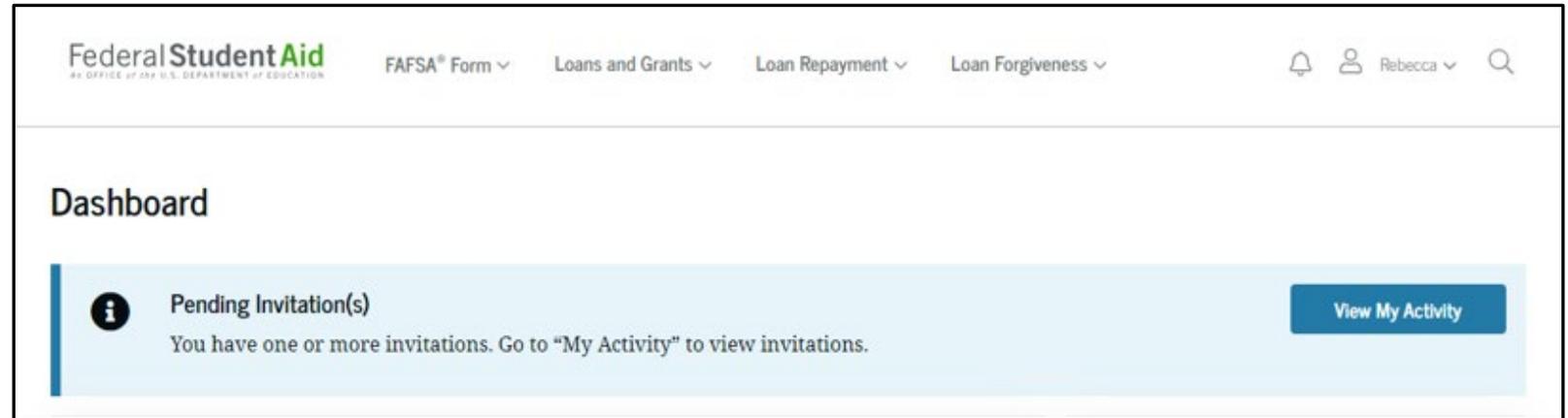
Based on the [eligibility criteria](#), you don't appear to be eligible for a [Federal Pell Grant](#). However, you may be eligible for other federal, state, or institutional grants; scholarships; and/or work study



Other Scenarios

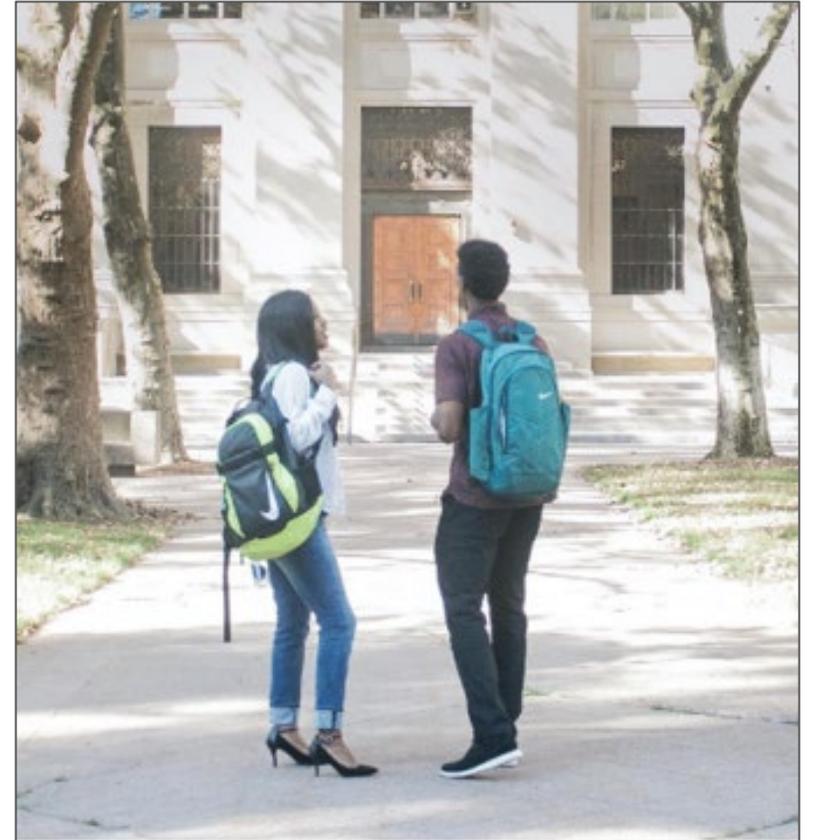
Parent starts the FAFSA

- When the parent starts the FAFSA the process works the same way it did last year.
- Parent has to provide the student's name, DOB, SSN, and email address.
- This results in the invite link being populated in the student's account (in lieu of an invite code).



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 in 2024.
 - If joint tax return was filed in 2024, student will need to provide spouse's, but spouse will not need to log into the FAFSA.



Unsubsidized Loan Only

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Your Dependency Status

Dependent Student
Based on your answers, you're a dependent student. This means you must provide parent information on your FAFSA[®] form. This information helps determine how much federal student aid you're 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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You WILL NOT Be Eligible for Most Federal Student Aid

By changing the answer to "Yes" you'll be considered for a limited amount of Direct Unsubsidized Loans ONLY. Any existing parent information will be removed. Do you want to continue?

Continue Return to Form

Student will need to follow up with the school and have the parent sign a statement.



After FAFSA Submission

FAFSAs should be process in 1-3 days

- When the student logs in they will see their Dashboard.
- Under **My Activity**, the student will see their FAFSA (and status).
- If the student clicks on the FAFSA they will be taken to more details.



The screenshot shows the Federal Student Aid dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo 'Federal Student Aid' and several menu items: 'FAFSA® Form', 'Grants and Loans', 'Loan Repayment', and 'Loan Forgiveness'. The user's name 'Charles' is visible in the top right corner. Below the navigation bar is a 'Dashboard' section. A prominent yellow warning banner at the top of the dashboard contains an exclamation mark icon and the text: 'A federal court issued an injunction preventing the implementation of the Saving on a Valuable Education (SAVE) Plan and parts of other income-driven repayment (IDR) plans. As a result, your IDR payment count and payment history are temporarily unavailable. Stay up-to-date on court actions affecting IDR plans: StudentAid.gov/courtactions.' Below the warning banner, the dashboard is divided into several sections. On the left, there is a 'My Aid' section with a large empty box containing a circle with a diagonal line and the text 'You currently don't have any federal loans or grants.' Below this is the 'My Activity' section, which shows a '2026-27 FAFSA® Form' with a green 'Processed' status and a 'Processed on: 06/25/2025' date. A 'View All Activity >' link is also present. At the bottom left, there is a 'Checklists' section. On the right side of the dashboard, there is a 'Quick Links' section with a list of links: 'FAFSA® Form', 'Tips for Filling Out the FAFSA Form', 'Master Promissory Note (MPN)', 'Entrance Counseling', 'Information About FAFSA Submission Summary', and 'PLUS Loan for Parents and Graduate Students'. Below the 'Quick Links' section is the 'My Info' section, which contains links for 'My Aid', 'My Activity', 'My Documents', and 'Settings'.

Under “**My Activity**” you see the:

- FAFSA status tracker;
- FAFSA Submission Summary; and the
- Action link - ability to add more schools and make corrections.

The screenshot displays the '2026-27 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) Form: Details' page. At the top, it shows 'My Activity > FAFSA Form' and a 'Processed' status. The 'FAFSA® Information' section includes the student name 'Charles Martinez', Data Release Number (DRN) '8720', and Submission Number '01'. A red circle highlights the 'Actions' dropdown menu, which contains 'Add or Remove Schools', 'Make Corrections', and 'View FAFSA Submission Summary'. Below this is a 'Status Tracker' section, also circled in red, showing three steps: 'FAFSA® Form Started' (Started on Jun 20, 2025), 'FAFSA® Form Submitted' (Submitted on Jun 20, 2025), and 'FAFSA® Form Processed' (Processed on Jun 20, 2025). A congratulatory message follows, advising to select the 'FAFSA Submission Summary' button. At the bottom, a green box contains the text 'Your FAFSA Submission Summary is ready!' and 'Your FAFSA Submission Summary gives you information about your eligibility for federal student aid and lists your answers to the questions.' A red circle highlights the 'FAFSA Submission Summary' button. On the right side, there are sections for 'Started on' and 'Processed on' (both Jun 20, 2025), and a 'More Resources' section with links to 'Understand Financial Aid', 'FAFSA Landing Page', 'Information on Federal Pell Grant Program', 'Information on Federal Work-Study (FWS) Program', and 'How Aid Is Calculated'.

Track Your Students' FAFSA Filing Status!

- FAME's FAFSA Portal allows eligible high school counselors to access the FAFSA completion status for each of their high school seniors.
- Each high school can select one individual to have access, and a data sharing agreement must be signed.
- All new agreements must be signed. Email to gather contact information will be sent in early November. For more information, contact Mila Tappan **at** mtappan@famemaine.com.
- Completion data should be available in early January.



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