

Get Your FSA ID Before You Start Your FAFSA

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

Go studentaid.gov/fsa-id where you'll each create a user ID and password to get your FSA IDs. Then, you'll use your FSA IDs to electronically sign your FAFSA before you submit.

Tips

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