

FAFSA: Free Application For Federal Student Aid

Where: *studentaid.ed.gov*, complete the 2021-2022 application

Due: As soon as possible; March 1st for priority, June 30th final

Why: Applies students for consideration for financial aid from the U.S.

Government and U.S. Institutions; sometimes required for scholarships

DISCLAIMER: DO NOT USE A SCHOOL OR BUSINESS EMAIL FOR THE FAFSA! A personal email which you will have continuous access to must be used as the FAFSA must be resubmitted each year in which the student is enrolled in college. This goes for both the student and parent/guardian.

What You Need:

- Create an FSA ID first for student and one parent/legal guardian
 - *fsaid.ed.gov*
 - This is how the FAFSA gets signed so it must be done first before starting the FAFSA
- Student and parent/legal guardian information
 - Social security numbers
 - Drivers license numbers
 - Date(s) of birth and other general knowledge
 - Demographic and contact information
 - Household information
- Federal Income Tax Returns for 2019
 - For both parent/legal guardian and student if applicable
 - Easy transfer of completed 2019 tax data can be done using the *Data Retrieval Tool* available within the FAFSA application
 - Knowledge of assets

Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

FAFSA calculates how much the family can reasonably contribute to the student's education based on income.

It does not equal what you need to pay, but is used to calculate financial need.

Cost of Attendance - Estimated Family Contribution = Financial Need

Financial aid packages vary per institution

FSA ID: fsaid.ed.gov

Student

Username:

Password:

Email:

Phone:

Challenge Questions

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Parent

Username:

Password:

Email:

Phone:

Challenge Questions

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