

# Renewing your FAFSA for 2024-25



## 1. The 2024-25 FAFSA won't be available until December.

The FAFSA is usually released on October 1 for the following academic year. Due to changes being made to the FAFSA, this year is an exception and the 2024-25 FAFSA won't be available until December. This change impacts all students including those who are renewing their FAFSA (sometimes referred to as completing a Renewal FAFSA). Sign in to your account at [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov) to make sure your email is up to date. The U.S. Department of Education will send reminders to students when the FAFSA is available.



## 2. You can use the same FSA ID.

The student and anyone contributing to a student's FAFSA must have an FSA ID and it must be verified before completing the FAFSA. However, if you created an FSA ID in the past, it has already been verified. Sign into your account at [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov) to renew your FAFSA information for 2024-25. If you will be completing the FAFSA for the first time, set up your FSA ID by clicking on "Create Account" at [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov).



## 3. The 2024-25 FAFSA will be easier but different

The 2024-25 FAFSA will look different but it should be easier to complete. Some of your information will be pre-filled and you will have less financial questions to answer. The U.S. Department of Education will retrieve your federal tax information from the Internal Revenue Service. When completing the 2024-25 FAFSA, you must grant approval for the Department of Education to retrieve your tax information. If approval is not given, your FAFSA won't be processed to determine your eligibility for financial aid.



## 4. The new FAFSA will be a roles-based form.

The term "contributor" will describe anyone required to provide signature and consent on your FAFSA form, including you (the student); the student's spouse; a biological or adoptive parent; or the parent's spouse (stepparent). If your parents are divorced or separated, the FAFSA will now collect information from the parent that provided you the most financial support. The 2024-25 FAFSA will guide you in selecting the correct parent to invite to complete your FAFSA.

## 5. Your eligibility for financial aid may change.

The formula for determining your eligibility for need-based financial aid is changing and that could impact the amount of financial aid you receive. It's expected the number of students eligible for financial aid will increase, but if you receive less and have a hardship, contact the financial aid office at your college to determine if assistance is available.

