

# GET READY FOR THE 2025-26 FAFSA



## Step 1

Set up your StudentAid.gov account by creating your FSA ID.

- Go to StudentAid.gov.
- Click on "Create Account."

## Step 2

Gather the information and documents you will need:

- Student and parent Social Security numbers
- Student and parent 2023 federal income tax returns and W-2's or income earned from work
- Student and parent records of untaxed income
- Student and parent records of cash, savings and checking accounts, investments, and assets
- List of colleges and career schools the student is interested in attending

## Tips

### for creating a StudentAid.gov account



Your information will be verified with the Social Security Administration. Make sure the information you enter matches your Social Security card.



Both the student and at least one parent will need a StudentAid.gov account.



The student and parent cannot share an account (or FSA ID).



The student and parent each should use a personal email address to create the account (not a school or work email address).



Check with the college or career school on their priority date or deadlines.



Parents without a Social Security number can create an account. They will be required to answer additional questions to verify their identity.