



APPLYING FOR A FSA ID

What is an FSA ID?

An FSA ID is a username and password that you must use to log in to certain U.S. Department of Education (ED) websites. Your FSA ID identifies you as someone who has the right to access your own personal information on ED websites such as the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* at fafsa.gov.

If you are a parent of a **dependent student**, you will need your own FSA ID if you want to sign your child's FAFSA electronically. If you have more than one child attending college, you can use the same FSA ID to sign all applications. *Please note: Each FSA ID user must have a unique e-mail address.*

Your FSA ID is used to sign legally binding documents electronically. It has the same legal status as a written signature. **Don't give your FSA ID to anyone—not even to someone helping you fill out the FAFSA.** Sharing your FSA ID could put you at risk of [identity theft!](#)



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The FSA ID is your electronic passport to federal student aid online.

If you're ready, you can [create an FSA ID now](#).



Students, parents, and borrowers are required to use an **FSA ID**, made up of a username and password, to access certain U.S. Department of Education websites. Your FSA ID is used to confirm your identity when accessing your financial aid information and electronically signing your **federal student aid** documents.

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FSA ID

The FSA ID is a username and password combination that serves as a student's or parent's identifier to allow access to personal information in various U.S. Department of Education systems and a...

Create a New FSA ID

An FSA ID gives you access to Federal Student Aid's online systems and can serve as your legal signature.

Only create an FSA ID using your own personal information and for your own exclusive use. You are not authorized to create an FSA ID on behalf of someone else, including a family member. Misrepresentation of your identity to the federal government could result in criminal or civil penalties.

To create your own personal FSA ID, enter answers for the questions below and select CONTINUE.

* Required

Create An FSA ID

Edit My FSA ID

E-mail



Confirm E-mail



Username *



Password *



Numbers Uppercase Letters Lowercase Letters Special Characters 8-30 Characters Show Text

Confirm Password *



Are you 13 years of age or older? *

- I am 13 years of age or older.
 I am 12 years of age or younger.



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It doesn't get used very often and will be hard to remember it a year from now!



Personal Identification Information

To apply for an FSA ID, complete the information below and select CONTINUE.

I understand that I will be required to certify that the information that I provide to obtain an FSA ID is true and correct and that I am the individual who I claim to be. If I am not that person who I claim to be, I understand that I am not authorized to proceed and that I should exit this form now. If I provide false or misleading information, I understand that I may be fined, sent to prison for not more than five years, or both.



Social Security Number *

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Show Text

Date of Birth *

 ?

First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name *

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* Required

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MAKE SURE ALL THIS INFORMATION IS CORRECT!

Social Security Number: ***_**

First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name:

Date of Birth:

Username *

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Password *

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Criteria Met Show Text

Confirm Password *

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E-mail

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Confirm E-mail

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Mailing Address

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City, State, Zip Code

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Phone

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Alternate Phone

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Language Preference

English Español ?

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Challenge Questions And Answers

Challenge questions and answers are used to retrieve your username or password if you forget them and to unlock your account. Provide the challenge questions and answers below and select CONTINUE.



* Required

Challenge Question 1 *

Select Your Question

Answer 1 *

Challenge Question 2 *

Select Your Question

Answer 2 *

Challenge Question 3 *

Create Your Own Question Here

Answer 3 *

Challenge Question 4 *

Create Your Own Question Here

Answer 4 *

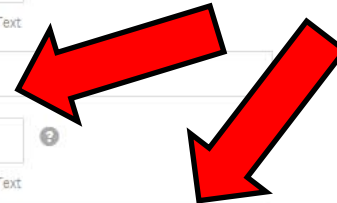
Challenge Question 5 (Used to access your information over the phone) *

Type a significant date in your life (MM/DD/YYYY)

Answer 5 *

mm/dd/yyyy

Create your own questions



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Review & verify all the information is correct

Review Your Information and Terms & Conditions

Verify the information you provided for your FSA ID below. If there is an error, select PREVIOUS and make the appropriate updates. If there are no errors, then read and agree to the Terms & Conditions and select CONTINUE.



Read before you proceed.

By submitting this application, you agree not to share your FSA ID with anyone. The security of your FSA ID is important because it can be used to

- electronically sign Federal Student Aid documents
- access your personal records, and
- make binding legal obligations.

If your FSA ID is lost or stolen, you also agree to

I certify that the above information is correct & accept the terms & conditions

CANCEL

PREVIOUS

CONTINUE

Make sure to check the box to certify that the above information is correct & accept the terms & conditions.

Check Your Email for Secure Code

Verify Your E-mail

Enter the secure code below and select CONTINUE to verify your e-mail address. After you verify your e-mail address, you can use it as your username when logging in.

Enter the Secure Code

An e-mail containing a secure code was sent to your e-mail address on file. If you're accessing your e-mail via the Web, make sure to open a separate browser window. If you did not receive an e-mail, you can [request a new secure code](#).

Note: It may take a few minutes for the e-mail to arrive. Check your junk folder if you cannot find the message in your inbox. Some e-mail providers require that you add an e-mail address to your address book before you can receive any e-mail from that address. To ensure that our messages can be delivered to your inbox, enter our originating e-mail address, FSA-ID@ed.gov into your address book.



Secure Code *



* Required

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CONTINUE WITHOUT VERIFYING

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You have created your FSA ID!!!

FSA ID Created

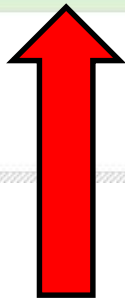
You have successfully created your FSA ID. You can now use your FSA ID to complete and electronically sign your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®; www.fafsa.gov).



- You can now use your FSA ID username and password to log in to FSA websites and applications.

Select RETURN TO LOGIN if you wish to return to the FSA ID log-in page.

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The FSA ID Username and Password is what you will use to sign in and apply for your FAFSA.