



# DID YOU KNOW COMPLETING THE FAFSA CAN HELP PAY FOR COLLEGE?



## What is the FAFSA?

The FAFSA is a Free Application for Federal Student Aid. It's the pathway for federal aid and other resources earmarked for students. Every year students miss out on the opportunity for significant aid money.

## Why is it important?

**90%** of students who complete a FAFSA go on to pursue post-secondary education.

**\$** Colleges use the FAFSA to determine a student's financial aid eligibility such as grants, scholarships, work-study and student loans.

**👤👤** 2 out of every 3 college students receive some type of financial assistance because they filed their FAFSA.

**🎓** The FAFSA is available Oct 1st  
2022 CLASS

## FIRST THINGS FIRST CREATE YOUR FSA ID

### What is the FSA ID?

The Federal Student Aid Identification is the first step to completing your FAFSA. It is a username and password that you create to access the FAFSA and electronically sign the form.

### IT'S QUICK AND EASY TO CREATE!

**📄** Visit [fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov)

**i** You will need to enter your personal email address, cell number, birth date, and social security number to create your FSA ID

**📷** Make sure to write down or take a picture of your FSA ID username and password as a reminder!

**✅** You're all set!

Don't forget to have your parent create an FSA ID too! They will need to input their information and a separate email address.

Visit [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov) to complete your 2022-2023 FAFSA

#### Documents Needed:

- Your Social Security Number
- Your Alien Registration Number (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
- Your 2020 federal income tax returns, W-2s, and other records of money earned
- Bank statements and records of investments (if applicable)
- Records of untaxed income (if applicable)

If your parents don't have a SSN they can use all 0's and they will need to print and sign the FAFSA signature page.

## FAFSA MYTHS AND FACTS

**MYTH** My parents make too much money, so I won't qualify for any financial aid.

**FACT** **There is no income cutoff to qualify for Federal Student Aid. All eligible students qualify for some type of financial aid—grants, work-study, loans, or scholarships.**

**MYTH** The FAFSA form takes forever to fill out.

**FACT** **Not if you have 30 minutes to spare. That's all it takes to fill out the FAFSA form.**

**MYTH** Students should wait to fill out their FAFSA until they are accepted into college.

**FACT** **Don't wait! Students are highly encouraged to complete their FAFSA application their senior year of high school.**

**MYTH** My parents aren't U.S. citizens, so there's no way I'll get aid.

**FACT** **Your parents' citizenship status is NOT a factor, and the FAFSA form won't even ask you about it. If your parents don't have Social Security numbers, they must enter 000-00-0000 when the FAFSA form asks for their Social Security numbers**

## RESOURCES



TEXT **BENJI** TO **602-786-8171** FOR  
FAFSA ASSISTANCE - IT'S FREE!