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Complete the FAFSA® Form

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* form to apply for financial aid for college or graduate school.

New to the FAFSA® Process?

Completing the FAFSA form is free. Fill it out now.

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FAFSA® Announcements

New Application Launch

The new 2022–23 FAFSA form is here! Some states and schools have limited funds, so don't delay! To begin your application, select the "Start Here" button on the FAFSA homepage.

What to Do If Your or Your Family's Financial Situation Has Changed

Many FAFSA applicants have experienced recent financial changes due to the COVID-19 emergency or other reasons.

Has your (or your family's) financial situation changed from what is reflected on your federal income tax return? For example, you or a family member has lost a job or claimed [unemployment benefits](#). If so, you may be eligible to have your FAFSA form adjusted to qualify for additional aid. Follow these steps:

If this is your first time completing a FAFSA click on “Start Here.” If you have completed a FAFSA in a prior year click “Log In.”

Log In ➔

FSA ID Username, Email, or Mobile Phone

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Forgot My Username

Password

..... Show Password

Forgot My Password

Log In

or

Create an Account

The student needs to log in with their FSA-ID and password. If the student does not have one set up already, they will need to create one.

https://www.niu.edu/financial-aid/_pdf/tutorials/fsa-id.pdf

Please Read Before Continuing

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- any access in furtherance of any criminal or tortious act in violation of the Constitution or laws of the United States or any State.

If system monitoring reveals information indicating possible criminal activity, such evidence may be provided to law enforcement personnel.

Accept

Decline

Read the Disclaimer and then click “Accept.”

The screenshot displays the FAFSA application interface. At the top, there are two tabs: "2022-23" (highlighted with a red circle) and "2021-22". Below the tabs, the "Current Application Status:" is shown as "Not Started" in a blue button. A message states: "We did not find a 2022-23 FAFSA form on file for you. However, we see that you completed a 2021-22 FAFSA form. Information from that application can be used to renew your 2022-23 FAFSA form. You can also start a new 2022-23 FAFSA form." At the bottom of this section, there are two buttons: "Renew my FAFSA Form" and "Start a New FAFSA Form" (highlighted with a red circle). Below this, the "FSA ID Status:" is shown as "Matched" in a green button. To the right, it says "Last Successful FSA ID Log In: 09:47, 10/04/2021". There is a link "Manage FSA ID" and a paragraph: "You can use your FSA ID to sign your FAFSA® form electronically or make corrections to your FAFSA form."

Make sure you are on the correct application year. Click on “Start a New FAFSA Form” if this is your first time filing. If you completed a FAFSA in a prior year you may click on “Renew my FAFSA Form.”

Start Student's 2022–23 FAFSA® Form

Create a save key.

The save key is for temporary use for you or your parent to return and complete this specific FAFSA form.

Create a Save Key



Reenter Save Key



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Create a temporary Save Key in case you get logged out or are not able to get all the way through the application in one sitting. Enter it in both areas then click “Continue.”

i Because the FAFSA® form belongs to the student, "you" and "your" always (unless otherwise noted) refer to the student.

Your Social Security Number

...--1009

Your First Name

Helen

Your Middle Initial

Your Last Name

Lastnamerapp

Your Date of Birth

Month

Day

Year

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Enter in the personal information for the student and then click "Continue."

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Student Email and Phone

Your Email Address

Reenter Your Email Address

Your Telephone Number

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Enter in the student email address and telephone number. Make sure to use an active phone number and email that you will have access to and will check often while in college. Click “Continue.”

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Address

Your Permanent Mailing Address (include apt. number)

 ⓘ

Your City (and country, if not U.S.)

 ⓘ

Your State

 ⓘ

Your ZIP Code

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Enter in the student’s permanent address information. Click “Continue.”

If you are unsure about what any of the questions are asking when completing the FAFSA you can click the “?” on the righthand side for more information.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Residency and Eligibility

Have you lived in Illinois for at least 5 years? ?

Yes

No

Are you a U.S. citizen?

Yes, I am a U.S. citizen (or U.S. national). ?

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If the student has lived in your state for at least 5 years select “Yes.” If not, select “No.” Answer the citizenship question based on the student’s current status, then click “Continue.”

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Education

What will your high school completion status be when you begin college in the 2022–23 school year?

High school diploma

What college degree or certificate will you be working on when you begin the 2022–23 school year?

1st bachelor's degree

Will you have your first bachelor's degree before you begin the 2022–23 school year?

Yes

No

What will your college grade level be when you begin the 2022–23 school year?

Never attended college/1st yr.

Are you interested in being considered for work-study?

Yes

No

Don't know

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Answer the questions for the student’s educational status. If the student is a transfer student who has only obtained an associate’s degree, then the second response should be “1st bachelor’s degree.”

Answer the work-study question then click “Continue.”

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Selective Service

Are you male or female? [?](#)

Male

Female

i Most male citizens and immigrants must register with the Selective Service System. Your registration status does not affect your eligibility for federal student aid.

Are you registered with the Selective Service System? [?](#)

Yes

No

Do you want us to register you with the Selective Service System? [?](#)

Yes

No

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Select the student’s sex assigned at birth. If “Male” is selected, answer the next two questions regarding Selective Service. Most male citizens and male immigrants between the ages of 18–25 must register with the Selective Service System. This requirement applies to any person assigned the sex of male at birth. If the student is not registered, they can click the “Yes” box on the third question and register through the FAFSA.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Driver's License

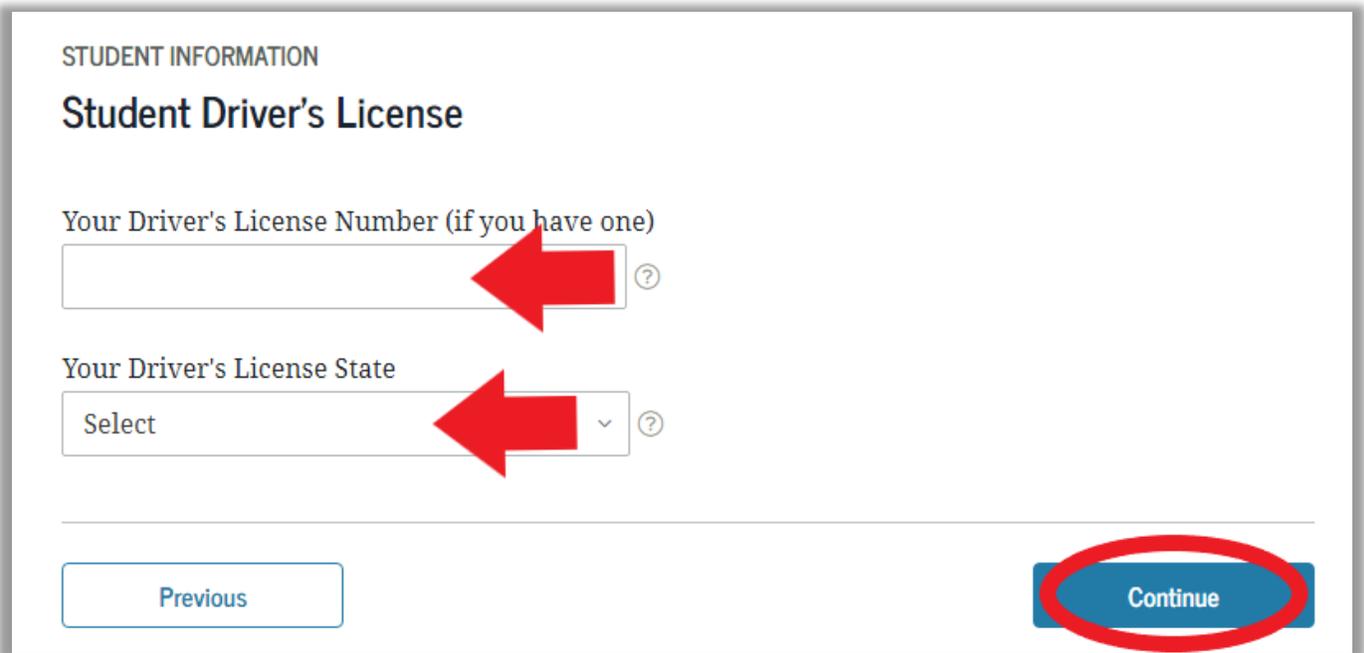
Your Driver's License Number (if you have one)

Your Driver's License State

Select

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Enter the student's driver's license number and state. If the student does not have one you can skip this step by leaving it blank and clicking "Continue."

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Foster Care and Parent Education Completion

Are you a foster youth or were you in the foster care system at any time? [?]

Yes

No

What's the highest school completed by Parent 1?

High school ⌵ [?]

What's the highest school completed by Parent 2?

College or beyond ⌵ [?]

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Answer “Yes” or “No” if the student was in foster care.

Answer the education information for the parent(s) then click “Continue.”

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Add Your High School

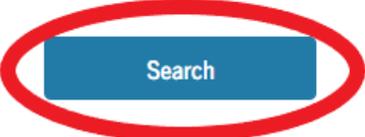
i Because the FAFSA® form belongs to the student, "you" and "your" always (unless otherwise noted) refer to the student.

i To find your high school, enter the following criteria and select "Search."

State / Province / Territory
Illinois  [? My country is not listed.](#)

City - optional
Dekalb  [?](#)

High School Name - optional
Dekalb High School  [?](#)

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Enter in the student's high school information, then click "Search."

[Search](#)

Search Results 1 to 3 of 3 SORT BY: [Best Match](#) [A-Z](#)

<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Dekalb High School Dekalb, IL
<input type="radio"/>	Camelot-Nwca Dekalb, IL
<input type="radio"/>	Kecol Dekalb, IL

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Click on the button next to the appropriate High School then click “Continue.”

College Search

i Helen , based on the information you provided, we've determined that you may qualify for federal student aid. Continue through the application for us to determine how much aid you can receive.

i Here's where you'll search for the colleges to which you'd like to send your FAFSA[®] information. You can add up to 10 colleges at a time to your FAFSA form. [Learn what to do if you're applying to more than 10 colleges.](#)

Make sure you add ALL colleges you're interested in, even if you haven't applied or been accepted yet.

i Complete the fields below to search for a college to add to your FAFSA[®] form. Need help refining your search? [Try these search tips.](#)

Search by School Name, City, State **Search by Federal School Code**

State
Illinois

City - optional
Dekalb

School Name - optional
Northern Illinois University

Search

Enter in the information for the college(s) the student wants to receive their FAFSA. If you know the school code you can enter it, otherwise you will have to search. NIU's School code is 001737.

The student can list up to 10 schools at a time. The student can also correct the FAFSA at a later date if they want to add or change a school.

Search

1 out of 10 schools selected.

Search Results 1 to 2 of 2

SORT BY: Best Match A-Z

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Northern Illinois University Federal School Code: 001737 Dekalb, IL View College Info
<input type="checkbox"/>	Debutantes School of Cosmetology and Nai Federal School Code: 042299 Dekalb, IL View College Info

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Check the box next to the schools you want to send the FAFSA to and then click “Continue.”

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Selected Colleges and Housing Info

^	Northern Illinois University Federal School Code: 001737 Dekalb, IL View College Info	
01	Housing Plan	
v	<input type="text" value="Select Housing Plan"/> Select Housing Plan On Campus With Parent Off Campus	



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For each school listed enter the “On Campus,” “Off Campus,” or “With Parent” for the housing plans. Once you are done entering all the schools, then click “Continue.”

Please note, this application uses smart logic, so depending on your responses some pages will be skipped over and not displayed to you.

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Student Marital Status

i Because the FAFSA[®] form belongs to the student, "you" and "your" always (unless otherwise noted) refer to the student.

What is your marital status as of today?

- Single
- Select
- Single**
- Married/Remarried
- Separated
- Divorced or Widowed

Continue

Select the current marital status of the student then click “Continue.”

STUDENT INFORMATION

Does the student have dependents?

Dependent Children

Do you now have or will you have children who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023? [?](#)

Yes

No

Other Dependents

Do you have dependents (other than your children or spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2023? [?](#)

Yes

No

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If the student has their own children who they support, select “Yes” to the first question.

If the student has dependents (other than children or a spouse) who they support, select “Yes” to the second question.

Once you have selected the correct responses click on “Continue.”

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Additional Dependency Questions

Answer the following questions to determine if you are required to provide information about your parents on your FAFSA® form. Select all that apply or "None of the above." ?

- Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training?
- Are you a veteran of the U.S. armed forces?
- At any time since you turned age 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care, or were you a dependent or ward of the court?
- As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, are you or were you an emancipated minor?
- Does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?
- None of the above

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This page helps determine if the student should be considered “Independent” for financial aid purposes. The student should check all boxes that apply to them or select “None of the above.” Once the correct option(s) are checked click “Continue.”

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Student Homelessness Filter Question

On or after July 1, 2021, were you homeless or were you self-supporting and at risk of being homeless? ⓘ

Yes

No

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Select “Yes” if the student is homeless or “No” if they are not. Click on “Continue.” If the student is homeless then select the appropriate response for how they were determined to be homeless. Then click on “Continue.”

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Homelessness Questions

At any time on or after July 1, 2021, did you receive a determination from any of the entities listed below that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless, or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?
Select all that apply or "None of the above." ⓘ

Your high school or school district homeless liaison

The director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

The director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program

None of the above

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STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Household Info



Your household size is **3**.

You:	Your Children:
1	2

Number in College

Out of the 3 people in your household (as shown above), how many will be college students between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023? **Include yourself in this number.**

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If the student is considered Independent for Financial Aid purposes (and has their own dependents) they will then enter information about their Number in College. After clicking “Continue” skip to page 42.

If the student is considered Dependent for Financial Aid and will provide parent information go to page 25.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Dependent Student Status

Based on your answers to the dependency status questions, you are considered a "**dependent**" student. This means you must provide **parental** information. Select the "I will provide information about my parent(s)" option and "Continue" to continue filling out your FAFSA® form.

If you have a special circumstance and are unable to provide parental information under very limited circumstances, you may be able to submit your FAFSA® form without parental information. Select the "I am unable to provide information about my parent(s)" option and "Continue" for additional information. ?

I will provide information about my parent(s).

I am unable to provide information about my parent(s).

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If the student is considered Dependent for Financial Aid but is unable to provide parent information due to a special circumstance, they should select the second option, then click "Continue."

Special Circumstances Qualifications

You may still be eligible for some type of federal student aid without providing parent information. **Please read through the following options carefully.**

Special Circumstances Option

You must contact the financial aid administrator at the college you plan to attend if you believe you have a special circumstance that should be considered in determining your eligibility for federal student aid. However, not all situations are considered a special circumstance. For example, the following situations would **not** be considered as a special circumstance on his or her own:

- You do not live with your parent(s).
- Your parent(s) does not provide you with financial support.
- Your parent(s) refuses to contribute to your college expenses.
- Your parent(s) doesn't claim you as a dependent on his or her income tax return.
- Your parent(s) does not want to provide his or her information on your FAFSA® form.

Unsubsidized Loan Option

If you do not meet a requirement for a special circumstance and still choose to continue your application without providing parent information, you will only be considered for an unsubsidized loan. To request consideration for an unsubsidized loan, you must contact the financial aid administrator at the college you plan to attend.

Choose the appropriate option below based on your circumstances. ?

- I will provide information about my parent(s).
- I have a special circumstance and I am unable to provide information about my parent(s).
- I do not have a special circumstance, and I am submitting my FAFSA® form without parent information to apply for an unsubsidized loan only.

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The student will be prompted to confirm that they have a special circumstance and will not enter parent info. After clicking “Continue” skip to page 42. Once the student has submitted the FAFSA, the student will need to reach out to the school for instructions on how to proceed.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Dependent Student Status

Based on your answers to the dependency status questions, you are considered a **"dependent"** student. This means you must provide **parental** information. Select the "I will provide information about my parent(s)" option and "Continue" to continue filling out your FAFSA[®] form.

If you have a special circumstance and are unable to provide parental information under very limited circumstances, you may be able to submit your FAFSA[®] form without parental information. Select the "I am unable to provide information about my parent(s)" option and "Continue" for additional information. 

- I will provide information about my parent(s).
- I am unable to provide information about my parent(s).

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If the student is considered Dependent for Financial Aid purposes and will provide parent information they should select the first option, then click "Continue."

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Marital Status

i Because the FAFSA® form belongs to the student, "you" and "your" always (unless otherwise noted) refer to the student.

As of today, what is the marital status of your parents?

Married or remarried

When did your parents get married or remarried?

Month

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If the parent(s) are Separated, Divorced, or Never Married and they do not live together see here for which parent should be on the FAFSA: <https://studentaid.gov/resources/fafsa-parent-text> The Parent will enter information about their current Marital Status and then click “Continue.”

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Enter Information for Your First Parent (father/mother/stepparent)

Your Parent's Social Security Number

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Your Parent's Last Name

Last

Your Parent's First Initial

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Your Parent's Date of Birth

Month	Day	Year
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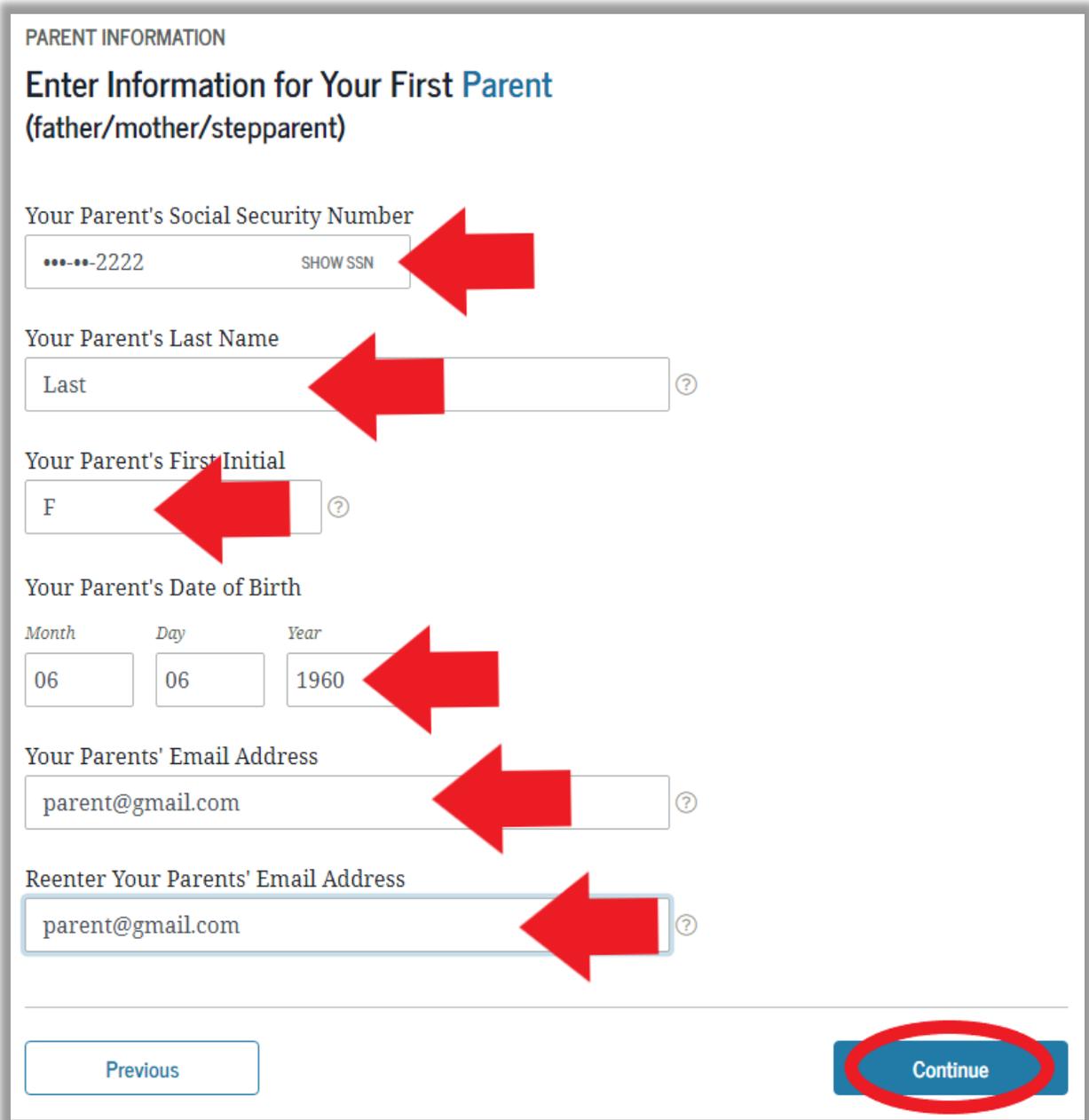
Your Parents' Email Address

parent@gmail.com

Reenter Your Parents' Email Address

parent@gmail.com

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Enter the correct information for the FAFSA Parent and then click “Continue.”

If the Parent has an ITIN or EIN but not a SSN, they should enter nine zeros for the SSN.

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Enter Information for Your Other Parent (father/mother/stepparent)

Your Parent's Social Security Number

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Your Parent's Last Name

Last

Your Parent's First Initial

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Your Parent's Date of Birth

Month	Day	Year
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If your FAFSA parent is Married, Remarried, or “Not married but living together” enter the second parent’s information then click “Continue.”

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Parent State of Legal Residence

Have your parents lived in Maryland for at least 5 years? ⓘ

Yes

No

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If the parent(s) have lived in your state for at least 5 years select “Yes.” If not, select “No” then click “Continue.”

PARENT INFORMATION

Enter Information for Your Parents' Dependents

 Do not include yourself (the student).

How many other dependent children do your parents have?

Include the other dependent children of your parents if they

- will rely on your parents for more than half of their **financial support** between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023;
- or**
- can answer "no" to every **dependency status** question on the FAFSA[®] form.

How many other dependents do your parents have?

Include your parents' other dependents if they

- now live with your parents,
- currently receive more than half of their support from your parents,
- and**
- will continue to receive more than half of their financial support from your parents between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023.

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Enter information about the number of people in the Parent's Household Size then click "Continue."

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Household Information



Your household size is **4**.

You:	Your Parents:	Other Dependent Children of Your Parent(s):
1	2	1

Number in College

Out of the 2 dependents in your parents' household (as shown above), how many will be college students between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023? **DO NOT include your parents, but DO include yourself** and other members of the household.



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Enter information about the number who will attend college. (Do not include the parents if they are in college.) Then click “Continue.”

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Tax Filing Status



Attention!

You must provide financial information from your parents' **2020 tax return** on the following pages.

For 2020, have your parents completed their IRS income tax return or another tax return?

Already completed

What type of income tax return did your parents file for 2020?

IRS Form 1040

For 2020, what is your parents' tax filing status according to their tax return?

Married—filed joint return



RECOMMENDED

IRS Data Retrieval Tool

Applying is faster and easier if your parents transfer their tax return information into this FAFSA® form with the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT)!

For your protection, your tax return information will not display on the IRS website or on the FAFSA® form.

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Skip IRS DRT and Complete Manually

Proceed to the IRS >

Enter information about the parent's 2020 tax filing status. If the parent filed taxes, they may be able to use the Data Retrieval Tool by clicking on "Proceed to the IRS." You can find a guide here: https://www.niu.edu/financial-aid/_pdf/tutorials/data-retrieval-guide.pdf If they did not file taxes select "Not going to file" and click "Continue" then skip to page 35.

You may choose to manually type in the tax information by selecting “Skip IRS DRT and Complete Manually.” Make sure **not** to include numbers after the decimal.

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent IRS Info

What was your parents' adjusted gross income for 2020?
This amount is found on IRS Form 1040-line 11.

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Enter the parent’s AGI from line 11 of the 2020 Federal 1040. If the DRT was used successfully this should already be filled in and you can click “Continue” to move on.

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Income from Work

How much did your Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent) earn from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2020?

This amount is your Parent 1 (father's/mother's/stepparent's) portion of IRS Form 1040-line 1 + Schedule 1, lines 3 + 6 + Box 14 (Code A) of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065).

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How much did your Parent 2 (father/mother/stepparent) earn from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2020?

This amount is your Parent 2 (father's/mother's/stepparent's) portion of IRS Form 1040-line 1 + Schedule 1, lines 3 + 6 + Box 14 (Code A) of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065).

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Enter in the Parent's 2020 wage information then click "Continue."

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Parent Simplified Path Determination

You indicated that your parents filed an IRS Form 1040. Did your parents file a Schedule 1? Select **No** if your parents did not file a Schedule 1 or **only filed** a Schedule 1 to report: unemployment compensation, educator expenses, IRA deduction, student loan interest deduction, or Alaska Permanent Fund dividend. [Learn more about Schedule 1.](#) ?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

As of today, are either of your parents a **dislocated worker**? ?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

Answering these questions will not reduce eligibility for student aid or these programs. ?

- Medicaid
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
[Learn about SNAP.](#)
- Free or Reduced Price School Lunch
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
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- Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
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- None of the above

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Enter the appropriate responses for the parent information then click “Continue.”

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Additional IRS Info

Enter the amount of your parents' income tax for 2020.

This is the total amount of IRS Form 1040—line 22 minus Schedule 2—line 2. If negative, enter a zero here.

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Enter the 2020 tax paid amount. If the DRT was used successfully this should already be filled in and you can click “Continue” to move on.



Please provide a valid response for all questions. If there is nothing to report, the answer should be zero.

Did your parents have any of the following items in 2020? Enter amounts for all that apply.

Combat pay or special combat pay. **This should be zero for enlisted persons and warrant officers** (including commissioned warrant officers) because combat pay is entirely nontaxable. Only enter **taxable combat pay** included in your parents' adjusted gross income.

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Student college grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS in your parents' income. Includes AmeriCorps benefits (awards, living allowances, and interest accrual payments), as well as grant and scholarship portions of fellowships and assistantships.

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Education credits (*American Opportunity Tax Credit* or *Lifetime Learning Tax Credit*) from 1040 Schedule 3-line 3.

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Untaxed portions of IRA distributions and pensions from IRS Form 1040— (lines 4a + 5a) minus (lines 4b + 5b). **Exclude rollovers.** If negative, enter a zero here.

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IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, Keogh, and other qualified plans from IRS form 1040 Schedule 1-total of lines 15+19.

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Tax exempt interest income from IRS Form 1040-line 2a.

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Enter in anything that applies to the parent. If the DRT was used successfully this should already be filled in and you can click “Continue” to move on.

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Additional Financial Info



Please provide a valid response for all questions. If there is nothing to report, the answer should be zero.

Did your parents have any of the following items in 2020? Enter amounts for all that apply.

Child support your parents paid because of divorce or separation or as a result of a legal requirement. Don't include support for children in your parents' household.

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Earnings from work under a Cooperative Education Program offered by a college.

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Taxable earnings from need-based employment programs, such as Federal Work-Study and need-based employment portions of fellowships and assistantships.

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Enter in anything that applies to the parent then click “Continue” to move on.

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Untaxed Income



Please provide a valid response for all questions. If there is nothing to report, the answer should be zero.

Did your parents have any of the following items in 2020? Enter amounts for all that apply.

Child support received for all children. Do not include foster care or adoption payments.

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Housing, food, and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy, and others (including cash payments and cash value of benefits). Do not include the value of on-base military housing or the value of a basic military allowance for housing.

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Payments to tax-deferred pension and retirement savings plans (paid directly or withheld from earnings), including, but not limited to, amounts reported on the W-2 Form in Boxes 12a through 12d, codes D, E, F, G, H, and S. **Don't include** amounts reported in code DD (employer contributions toward employee health benefits).

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Veterans noneducation benefits such as Disability; Death Pension; or Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC); and/or VA Educational Work-Study allowances.

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Other untaxed income not reported, such as workers' compensation, disability benefits, etc.

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Enter in anything that applies to the parent then click “Continue.”

PARENT INFORMATION

Parent Assets

Do you want to skip questions about your parents' assets? 

Yes

No

As of today, what is your parents' total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts?

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As of today, what is the net worth of your parents' investments, including real estate (not your parents' home)?

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As of today, what is the net worth of your parents' current businesses and/or investment farms? **Don't include** a family farm or family business with 100 or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees.

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You may be able to skip this page. If not, then answer information about the parent assets as of the day you are completing the application. Do **not** list the value of your parent's primary home in question 2. If any responses are zero you must type "0" in the appropriate field before clicking "Continue" to move on.

Attention!
You must provide financial information from your **2020 tax return** on the following pages.

i Because the FAFSA® form belongs to the student, “you” and “your” always (unless otherwise noted) refer to the student.

For 2020, have you completed your IRS income tax return or another tax return?
  

What income tax return did you file for 2020?
  

For 2020, what is your tax filing status according to your tax return?
  



RECOMMENDED
IRS Data Retrieval Tool

Applying is faster and easier if you transfer your tax return information into this FAFSA® form with the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT)!

🔒 For your protection, your tax return information will not display on the IRS website or on the FAFSA® form.

Enter information about the Student’s 2020 taxes. If the student filed taxes, they may be able to use the Data Retrieval Tool by clicking on “Proceed to the IRS.” You can find a guide here:

https://www.niu.edu/financial-aid/_pdf/tutorials/data-retrieval-guide.pdf

If the student did not file taxes, select “Not going to file” and click “Continue” then skip to page 44.

You may choose to manually type in the tax information by clicking “Skip IRS DRT and Complete Manually.” Make sure **not** to include numbers after the decimal.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student IRS Info

What was your adjusted gross income for 2020?
This amount is found on IRS Form 1040-line 11.

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Enter the student’s AGI from line 11 of the 2020 Federal 1040. If the DRT was used successfully this should already be filled in and you can click “Continue” to move on.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Income from Work

How much did you earn from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2020?
This amount is the total of IRS Form 1040-line 1 + Schedule 1, lines 3 + 6 + Box 14 (Code A) of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065).

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Enter in the student’s 2020 wage information then click “Continue.”

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Student Additional IRS Info

Enter the amount of your income tax for 2020.
This is the total amount of IRS Form 1040—line 22 minus Schedule 2—line 2. If negative, enter a zero here.

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If taxes were filed, enter the 2020 tax paid amount. If the DRT was used successfully this should already be filled in. Click “Continue” to move on.



Please provide a valid response for all questions. If there is nothing to report, the answer should be zero.

Did you have any of the following items in 2020? Enter amounts for all that apply.

Combat pay or special combat pay. **This should be zero for enlisted persons and warrant officers** (including commissioned warrant officers) because combat pay is entirely nontaxable. Only enter **taxable combat pay** included in your (and, if married, your spouse's) adjusted gross income.

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Student college grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS in your income. Includes AmeriCorps benefits (awards, living allowances, and interest accrual payments), as well as grant and scholarship portions of fellowships and assistantships.

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Education credits (*American Opportunity Tax Credit* or *Lifetime Learning Tax Credit*) from IRS Form 1040 Schedule 3-line 3.

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Untaxed portions of IRA distributions and pensions from IRS Form 1040— (lines 4a + 5a) minus (lines 4b + 5b). **Exclude rollovers.** If negative, enter a zero.

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IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, Keogh, and other qualified plans from IRS Form 1040 Schedule 1-total of lines 15+19.

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Tax exempt interest income from IRS Form 1040-line 2a.

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Enter anything that applies to the student. If the DRT was used successfully this information should already be filled in and you can click “Continue” to move on.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Additional Financial Info



Please provide a valid response for all questions. If there is nothing to report, the answer should be zero.

Did you have any of the following items in 2020? Enter amounts for all that apply.

Child support you paid because of divorce or separation or as a result of a legal requirement. Don't include support for children in your household.

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Earnings from work under a Cooperative Education Program offered by a college.

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Taxable earnings from need-based employment programs, such as Federal Work-Study and need-based employment portions of fellowships and assistantships.

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Enter anything that applies to the student then click “Continue” to move on.



Please provide a valid response for all questions. If there is nothing to report, the answer should be zero.

Did you have any of the following items in 2020? Enter amounts for all that apply.

Child support received for all children. Do not include foster care or adoption payments.

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Housing, food, and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy, and others (including cash payments and cash value of benefits). Do not include the value of on-base military housing or the value of a basic military allowance for housing.

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STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Assets

Do you want to skip questions about your assets? ?

Yes

No

As of today, what is your total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts?

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SIGN & SUBMIT

Preparer Info

Are you a paid preparer? (This is rare.) ?

Yes

No

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You may see a screen that asks if you are a preparer. If you are the student or parent the answer to this question should be “No.” Click “Continue” to move on.

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Review the information to make sure everything is accurate then scroll to the bottom of the page and click “Continue” to move on.

2. are not in default on a federal student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it,
3. do not owe money back on a federal student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it,
4. will notify your school if you default on a federal student loan, and
5. will not receive a Federal Pell Grant from more than one school for the same period of time.

By signing this application electronically using your username and password, and/or any other credential or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, you certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked to provide

1. information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form, and
2. U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand that the secretary of education has the authority to verify information reported on your application with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies.

If you sign this application or any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a username and password, and/or any other credential, you certify that you are the person identified by the username and password, and/or any other credential and have not disclosed that username and password, and/or any other credential to anyone else. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined up to \$20,000, sent to prison, or both.

HELEN LASTNAMERAPP, agree to the terms outlined above.

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[Sign FAFSA Form](#)

Read the information, then check the “Agree” box. Click “Sign FAFSA Form.” If you are an Independent Student, you can now skip to page 58.

Signature Status

 A parent must sign the FAFSA[®] form. If you're a parent, select "Provide Parent Signature" to sign your child's FAFSA form.

Note: If you're the student and your parent isn't present, select "Save FAFSA Form" and then "Exit FAFSA." Your parent should log in to the FAFSA form using the student's identifiers and the save key to sign and submit your FAFSA form.

 Student Signed With FSA ID  Last Name LASTNAMERAPP Date of Birth 04/19/2003 Social Security Number -----1009	 Parent Signature Needed  
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The parent should click on “Provide Parent Signature.”

Which parent are you?

Parent 1		Parent 2	
			
Parent 1		Parent 2	
			
Last Name		Last Name	
JONES		JONES	
Date of Birth	Social Security Number	Date of Birth	Social Security Number
03/02/1970	-----0013	09/14/1959	-----0005
			

If there are two parents listed on the FAFSA either parent can sign it if they have set up their own FSA ID and password.

By signing this application electronically using your FSA ID (username and password) and/or any other credential or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, YOU, THE PARENT, certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked to provide

1. information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form, and
2. U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand that the secretary of education has the authority to verify information reported on your application with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies.

If you sign this application or any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a username and password, and/or any other credential, you certify that you are the person identified by the username and password, and/or any other credential and have not disclosed that username and password, and/or any other credential to anyone else. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined up to \$20,000, sent to prison, or both.



W JONES, agree to the terms outlined above.

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Read the information, check the “Agree” box, and then click “Continue.”

SIGN & SUBMIT

Signature Options

Parent Signature for: **JONES**

Date of Birth Social Security Number
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Enter the parent's FSA ID.
Do not enter the FSA ID if you are not the parent.

Parent's FSA ID Username, Email Address, or Mobile Number

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The parent may need to enter their FSA ID and password before they can click “Sign and Submit FAFSA Form.” If they have not set up an ID yet they will need to click “Create an FSA ID” and make one before they can move forward.

Other Options to Sign and Submit ?

We recommend signing electronically with an FSA ID so you don't have to print and mail a signature page or return later to sign this FAFSA form. If you are unable to sign electronically, select another option:

Sign electronically with my FSA ID
This is the fastest option. Selecting this option will return you to the "What is your (the parent's) FSA ID?" question.

Print a signature page
This option requires that you print and mail your signature page.

Submit without signatures
This option allows you to submit this FAFSA form now without your signature, but you will need to return later to sign.

[Print Signature Page](#)

If, for some reason, the parent is unable to sign the FAFSA you can print a signature page and then mail the signed page to the US Department of Education.

<p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Student Signed With FSA ID</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>Last Name LASTNAMERAPP</p> <p>Date of Birth Social Security Number 04/19/2003 1009</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Parent Selected Signature Option</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>Last Name JONES</p> <p>Date of Birth Social Security Number 03/02/1970 0013</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Choose another way to sign.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sign as a Different Parent</p>
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Click on “Submit My FAFSA Form Now” to complete the application.

You should see a confirmation screen when done.

Congratulations, SUSAN!

Your FAFSA form was successfully submitted to Federal Student Aid.

10/04/2021 15:27:59
Confirmation Number: E 10120607105
Data Release Number (DRN): 9999

Here's what happens next:

- You will receive an email version of this page.
- In 3–5 business days, you will receive an email notifying you that your FAFSA form was processed.
- Your FAFSA information will be made available to your school(s), and they will use it to determine the aid you may be eligible to receive.
- Your school(s) will contact you if they need more information or when they are ready to discuss your financial aid award.
- If you have questions about your financial aid package, contact your school(s).

An abbreviated version of your confirmation page has been sent to you at the following email address:

STUDENT@AOL.COM.TEST

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Print out the page or write down the Data Release Number (DRN.) You may need to provide it to a school at a later date.