

# FSA ID

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# Get Started

## Create an Account

Whether you're a student, parent, or borrower, you'll need to create your own account to manage the student loan journey.

Get Started

Already have an account? [Log In](#)

### What You Can Use Your Account For

- Filling out the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form
- Signing your *Master Promissory Note* (MPN)
- Applying for repayment plans

# 1. Personal Information

## USE YOUR FULL LEGAL INFORMATION



First name



Middle initial



Last name



DOB



SSN

Click Continue

## Personal Information

I understand that I'll be required to certify that the information I provide to create an account (FSA ID) is true and correct and that I'm the individual I claim to be.

If I'm not the person I claim to be, I understand that I'm not authorized to proceed and that I should exit this form now. If I provide false or misleading information, I understand that I might be subject to a fine, prison time, or both.

First Name

 ?

Middle Initial

 ?

Last Name

 ?

Date of Birth

Month

Day

Year

   ?

Social Security Number

 ?

## 2. Account Information



### Username



### Email address & confirm

- Use your personal email



### Password & confirm

- Uppercase
- Lowercase
- Number
- 8+ characters

Click Continue

## Account Information

Because financial aid agreements are legally binding, you can't create an account for someone else, even another family member. Parents and students must create their own accounts.

Username

 ?

Email Address

 ?

Confirm Email Address

 ?

Password

 Show Password ?

✓ Uppercase

✓ Lowercase

✓ Number

✓ 8+ characters

Confirm Password

 Show Password ?

# 3. Contact Information



Address (street only)



City



State



Zip Code



Cell phone

- CHECK THE BOX
  - 2 step authorization

Click Continue

Step 3 of 7

## Contact Information

### Permanent Address

Address

City

State

ZIP Code

### Mobile Phone Account Access

We strongly recommend setting up your mobile phone for account access. This option helps you gain access to your account if you are locked out, as well as allows your mobile phone to be used for two-step verification.

Mobile Phone

Confirm Mobile Phone

Yes, I agree to use my mobile phone for account access.

### Alternate Phone Number (Optional)

+ Add Alternate Phone Number

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Continue

# 4. Communication Preferences



## Required communications

- Email OR snail mail



## Optional communications

- Email and/or text message
  - YOUR CHOICE – I encourage text



## Language Preference

Click Continue

## Communication Preferences

### Required Communications

The U.S. Department of Education (ED) and its federal student loan servicers will need to send you required communications and documents related to your federal student aid, such as student loan disclosures and interest statements.

I want to receive these communications:

By email



By selecting this option, you agree to receive required communications by email and confirm you have reviewed and agree to FSA's [Terms and Conditions](#).

By postal mail

### Optional Communications

ED and its federal student loan servicers want you to feel confident about the financial aid and student loan process. To help with this, we will sometimes send out information about programs you may be eligible for, such as grant programs, student loan forgiveness programs, income-based repayment plans, and more.

I want to receive these communications:

By email

By text message

### Language Preference

Your choice lets us know how you would like to view website content once logged in, and what to use for your communications.

Language

English  

## 5. Challenge Questions



Have to choose 4



Choose questions you're going to remember!

- City you were born in
- High school mascot
- Color of first car
- Mother's maiden name
- Name of first kiss
- Father's middle name

Click Continue

✓ Select

What was the name of your elementary school?

What is the nickname of your youngest sibling?

What city were you born in?

Who was your first boss?

What was the name of your first pet?

What was your high school's mascot?

What color was your first car?

What is your mother's maiden name?

What was the name of the first person you kissed?

What was the name of your first teacher?

What was the place/location of your senior prom?

What was the first movie you saw in theater?

What is the name of your house of worship?

What is the name of the street where you grew up?

What is your father's middle name?

In what city did your parents meet?

What was your childhood nickname?

Who was your favorite singer/band in high school?

What is the first name of your best friend?

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Continue



## 6. Confirm & Verify



Review your responses



Scroll to the bottom



Check the box

Click Continue

I agree to Federal Student Aid's [Terms and Conditions](#).

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Continue

## 7. Two-Step Verification



This is for account protection & account recovery in case you forget your password



Click Verify for your phone number, then enter the code you receive in a text message



Click Verify for your email address, then enter the code you receive in an email from the Dept. of Education



Authenticator App can also be used (highly recommended if you have one)



Once you're done, click Continue and take a picture of your backup code

Step 7 of 7

### Enable Two-Step Verification

#### Protect Your Account with Two-Step Verification

Whenever you sign in, we'll send a secure code to make sure it's really you. To keep your account protected, make sure your phone number and email are verified. We also suggest setting up verification using a secure authenticator app.



SMS Verification

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⚠ Not Verified

Verify



Email Verification

@gmail.com

⚠ Not Verified

Verify



Use an Authenticator App (Most Secure Option)

Use an authenticator app that you've downloaded from a mobile app store to view in-app secure codes—visible only to you—that can confirm your identity when you log in.

[Learn More](#)

[Set Up an Authenticator App](#)

# 8. Congrats!

## Your Account Was Successfully Created — What's Next?

Before we can grant full account access, we must confirm that your name, Social Security number, and date of birth all match what is on record with the Social Security Administration (SSA). This process takes one to three days. If you verified your email address, you'll receive an email once your information is matched with the SSA.

You can still use your account while your information is being verified with the SSA.



### Remember to Save Your Backup Code

Your backup code lets you access your account in the event that you cannot use any other two-step verification method.

Your Backup Code is:

██████ EF7K5RQU

### What You Can Do Now

- Complete and electronically sign an original (first-time) *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* form.
- Check the SSA match status of your account information in Account Settings.
- View your account dashboard, which includes checklists and other info.
- Explore this website to learn about applying for aid and repaying federal loans.
- Use the Help Center to get answers to common questions.

### What You Can Do After You've Been Matched

- Fill out a FAFSA renewal form.
- Complete and sign forms such as the Income-Driven Repayment Plan Request and Direct Consolidation Loan Application.
- View your personalized dashboard, your aid information in Aid Summary; and notifications and alerts about your account and financial aid.

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# A few reminders...

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 **Keep your login information somewhere safe**


- Screenshot it
- Email it to yourself

 **Check your personal email regularly**

- Make a folder for financial aid and keep all emails regarding financial aid in there!

 **Remember that you can make changes!**

- Just ask your counselor how!

 **The FAFSA will open in the spring! As always... be on the lookout for an email from me :)**

***Have a great day!***