

# How to Create Your FSA ID



## Who will need a FSA ID?

- Students
- Parent(s)/Stepparent(s)
- Spouse (if married)

## When?

Create your FSA ID ASAP. It will take about **1-3 days** for FSA ID to be authenticated. Set up your ID **BEFORE** you plan on starting the application.

## Where?

You can create your FSA ID on the [studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) website.

Do **NOT** use any other websites to create your account.

## Why do you need it?

The FSA ID is the unique login students and contributors use to access the FAFSA. You will be unable to access the application without one.



## What do you need to create your FSA ID?

- Email address**  
(each contributor will be required to have their own unique email address)
- Reliable cell phone number**  
(each person will need their own unique phone #. No IDs can have the same one)
- Social Security Number**  
(parents without SSNs will complete knowledge based identity verification process)
- Set up Multi-Factor Authentication**

