

Get Prepared: Tips for a Fast FAFSA

Ready to fill out the government's Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA? Here's what to expect.

Your FAFSA should be easy to fill out. Many families complete the FAFSA in less than an hour. The trick? Prepare! Read each question carefully. And if you need help, you can reach out to the FAFSA Contact Center at 800-433-3243.

Get started by gathering the following information and documents:



🖳 Personal Info

You'll need your full legal name, SSN (or ITIN), date of birth, mailing address, permanent email and cell phone number.



Tax Forms

Your family's tax data will likely be automatically uploaded to your FAFSA, but you'll want your tax returns available for reference.



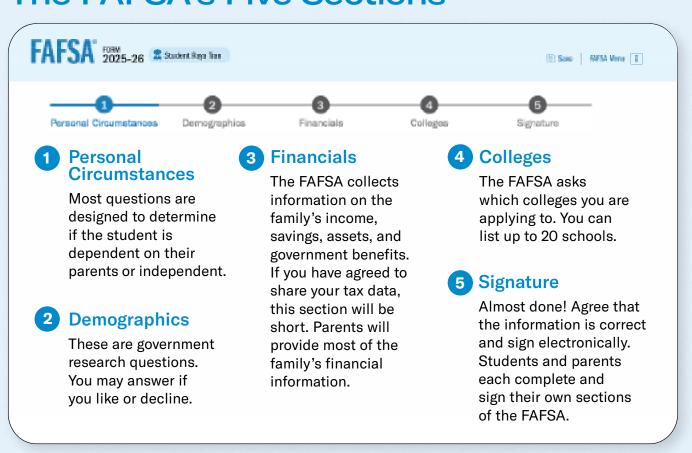
Savings, Assets and **Government Benefits Info**

When applicable, you'll provide information about:

- Current savings and investments
- Government benefits
- Value of family businesses or farms
- Child support
- Foreign taxes

Create an FSA ID Your First Step? → at StudentAid.gov

What to Expect: The FAFSA's Five Sections



Need more information?

We recommend <u>UnderstandingFAFSA.org</u>, a popular website for high school students and their families hosted by one of our nonprofit partners. Be sure to download <u>Understanding FAFSA & Financial Aid: Your Guide to Paying for College</u>.



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