Gather required items for the FAFSA.

**Dependent students** – include parent information.

**Independent students** – include spouse information, if applicable.

- FSA IDs for student and parent (if you don’t have them, go to fsaid.ed.gov)
- Social Security numbers and dates of birth
- Student and parent email addresses
- 2017 federal income tax forms and W-2s
- 2017 untaxed income (e.g. child support and worker’s compensation)
- Current value of checking/savings accounts and investments (do not include your home and retirement accounts)

To determine your dependency status and find a complete list of required items for the FAFSA, see “FAFSA Tools” at [EducationQuest.org](http://EducationQuest.org).

Complete the FAFSA at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov) on or after October 1, but before your college’s priority date.

- Click on “Login.”
- Complete the login information by entering your FSA ID.
- The form will pre-fill some of your data because you completed the FAFSA last year.
- Use the IRS Data Retrieval Process to input your income tax information.
- Follow the directions to finish your FAFSA.

To find a detailed explanation of each question, see the FAFSA Tutorial in “FAFSA Tools” at [EducationQuest.org](http://EducationQuest.org).

**Click on “View or print your FAFSA.”**
- Verify that the information is correct.
- Print a copy for your records.

**Sign and submit your FAFSA.**
- Agree to the terms, and click on “Sign.”
- Click on “Submit.”
- Print the confirmation page for your records.

*Note: The FAFSA completion process is subject to change based on government regulations.*