

How to Create a Federal Student Aid Account (FSA ID)

Before you complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), you'll need to create a Federal Student Aid account. If you're a dependent student, you and a custodial parent will each need one.

Follow these steps:

1. Go to **studentaid.gov** and click on Create Account.
2. Enter personal information.
 - Name, date of birth, Social Security number.
 - Email address, mailing address, mobile phone number.
 - Both you and a parent will need individual email accounts. Don't use a high school email account.
3. Answer challenge questions. Select answers that are easy to remember and won't change over time.
4. Enter validation codes to confirm your mobile number and email, or set up Authenticator App.
5. Save your information. Username: _____ Password: _____ Backup code: _____



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