



CREATING YOUR FINANCIAL AID ACCOUNT

(FAFSA & CA DREAM ACT)

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WHAT IS FINANCIAL AID?

Financial aid is money that is **gifted, paid or lent** to a student to be used to pay for college expenses.

WHAT TYPES OF AID ARE THERE?



GIFT AID

Money awarded to a student that does **not** need to be paid back.

Examples: Pell Grant, Cal Grant, 10,000 Degrees Scholarship



WORK STUDY

Money a student can **earn** through a campus job. They must work in order to receive the money.

Example: Job at the library or the book store



LOANS

Borrowed money that **DOES** need to get paid back after graduating.

Example: Subsidized and unsubsidized loans, Parent Plus Loan, DREAM Loan



DID YOU KNOW...

High school seniors are now required to fill out a financial aid application for college! (AB469)

FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects all personal information reported in any educational document. This includes financial aid and college applications.

All information provided will only be accessible to the colleges the student applies to or includes on their financial aid .



NEEDED DOCUMENTS

FOR STUDENTS

If it applies to you, you will need:

- Social Security Number
- If worked, 2022 W-2 form(s)
- If filed, Federal Income Tax Return for 2022
- Legal Permanent Resident "Green Card"
- List of colleges you are interested in
- Record of untaxed income such as social security benefits or welfare benefits

FOR PARENTS

If it applies to your parent(s), you will need:

- Social Security Number
- If worked, 2022 W-2 form(s)
- If filed, Federal Income Tax Return for 2022
- Parent's marital status and marriage/divorce date (month/year)
- Parent's date of birth (month/day/year)
- Access to bank statement information
- Record of untaxed income such as social security benefits or welfare benefits



FAFSA & CA DREAM ACT



REMEMBER



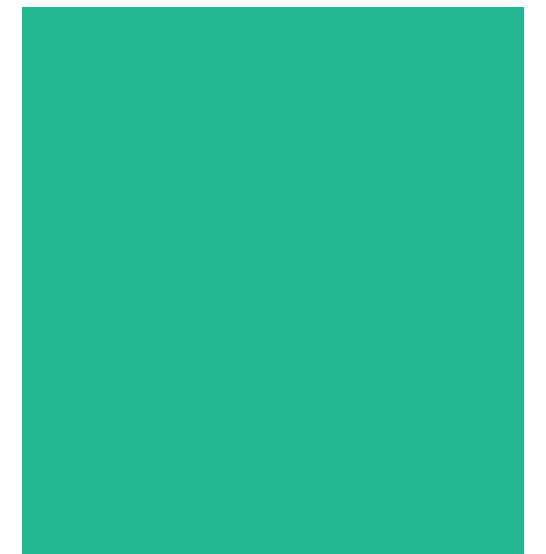
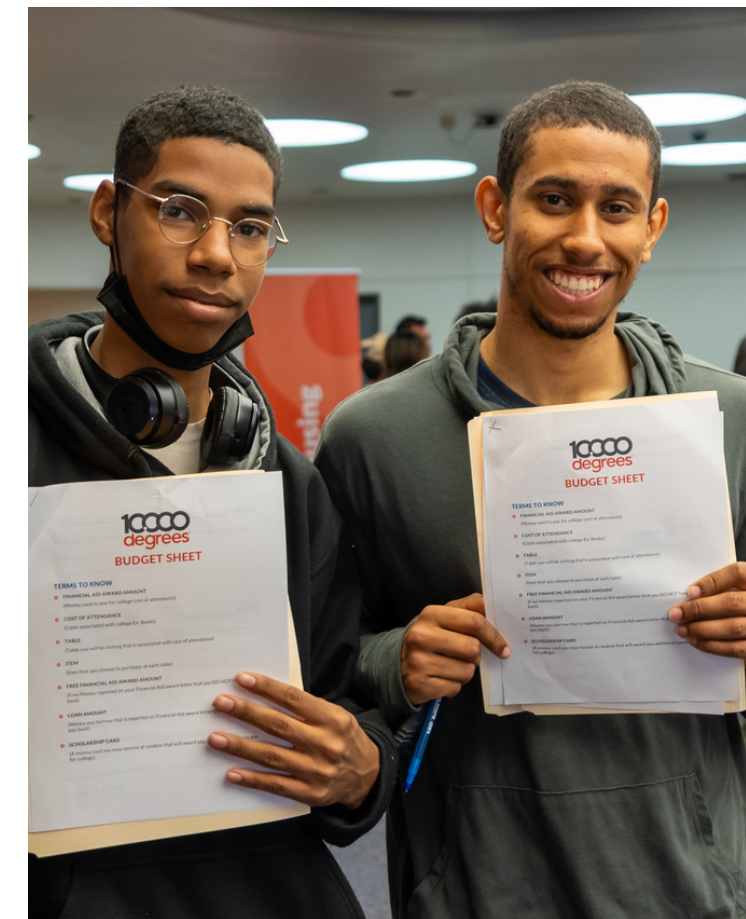
YOU ONLY FILL OUT ONE APP

- ▶ Only apply to FAFSA OR the CA Dream act, but never both!



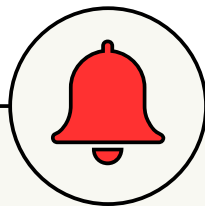
YOU HAVE TO APPLY EVERY YEAR

- ▶ You have to complete a financial aid application every year to maintain eligibility!

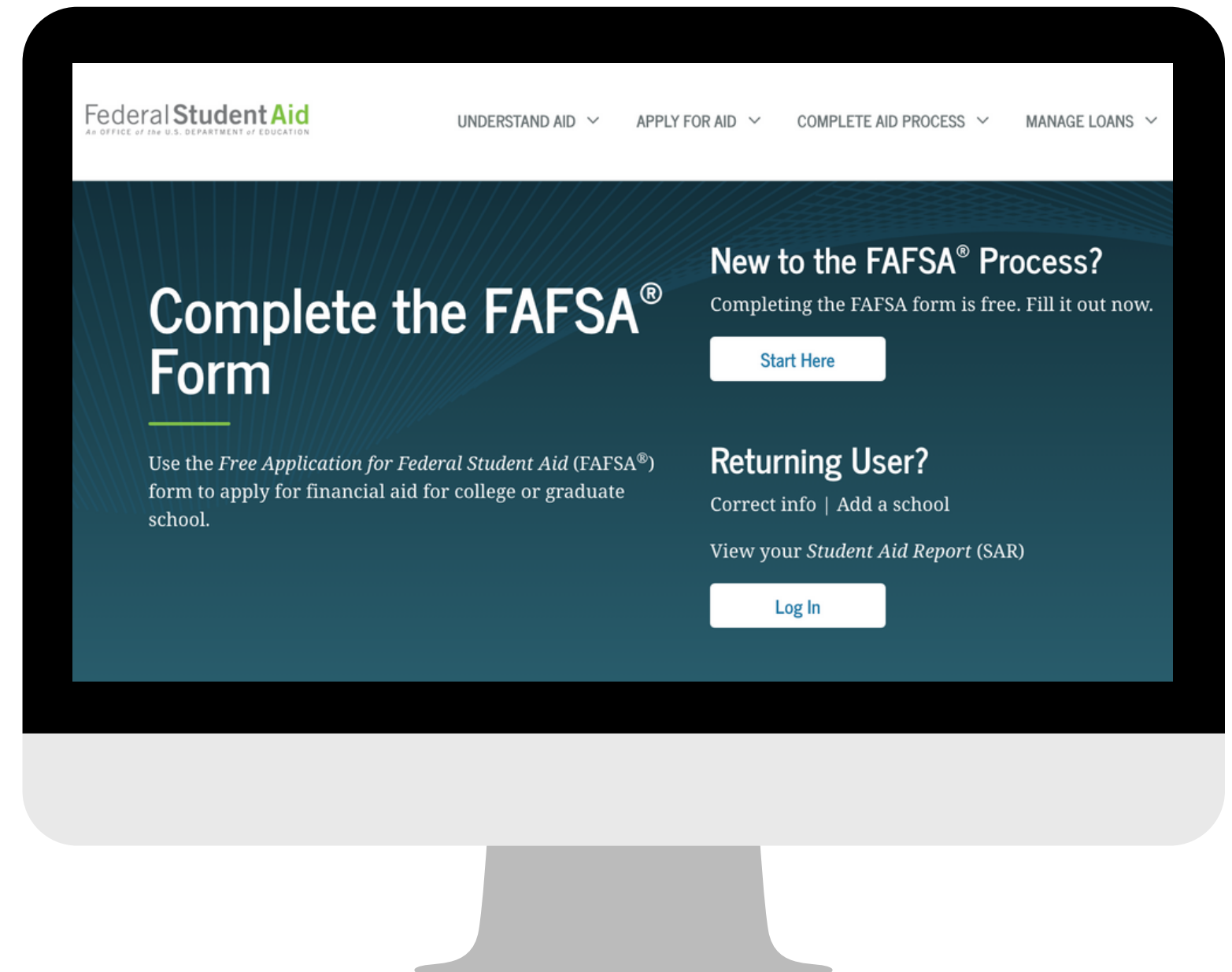


FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

- studentaid.gov to apply for **free**
- Opens in December
- Priority deadline April 2
- Access to **Federal** and **State** Aid
- For students who are U.S. Citizens, Legal permanent residents, and other eligible non-citizens



**Will be open by Dec
31st**



WHAT IS AN FSA ID?

FSA ID: studentaid.gov

- Is a unique username and password that gives access to all Studentaid.gov pages
- How you legally "sign" the FAFSA
- Use your FSA ID every year you renew your FAFSA

Who needs an FSA ID?

- Student applying to financial aid
- Parent(s)

What is needed to make an FSAID?

- Personal email address
- Mailing address
- Phone Number
- SSN (if applicable)



All of the personal info
can be used for only
ONE FSA ID



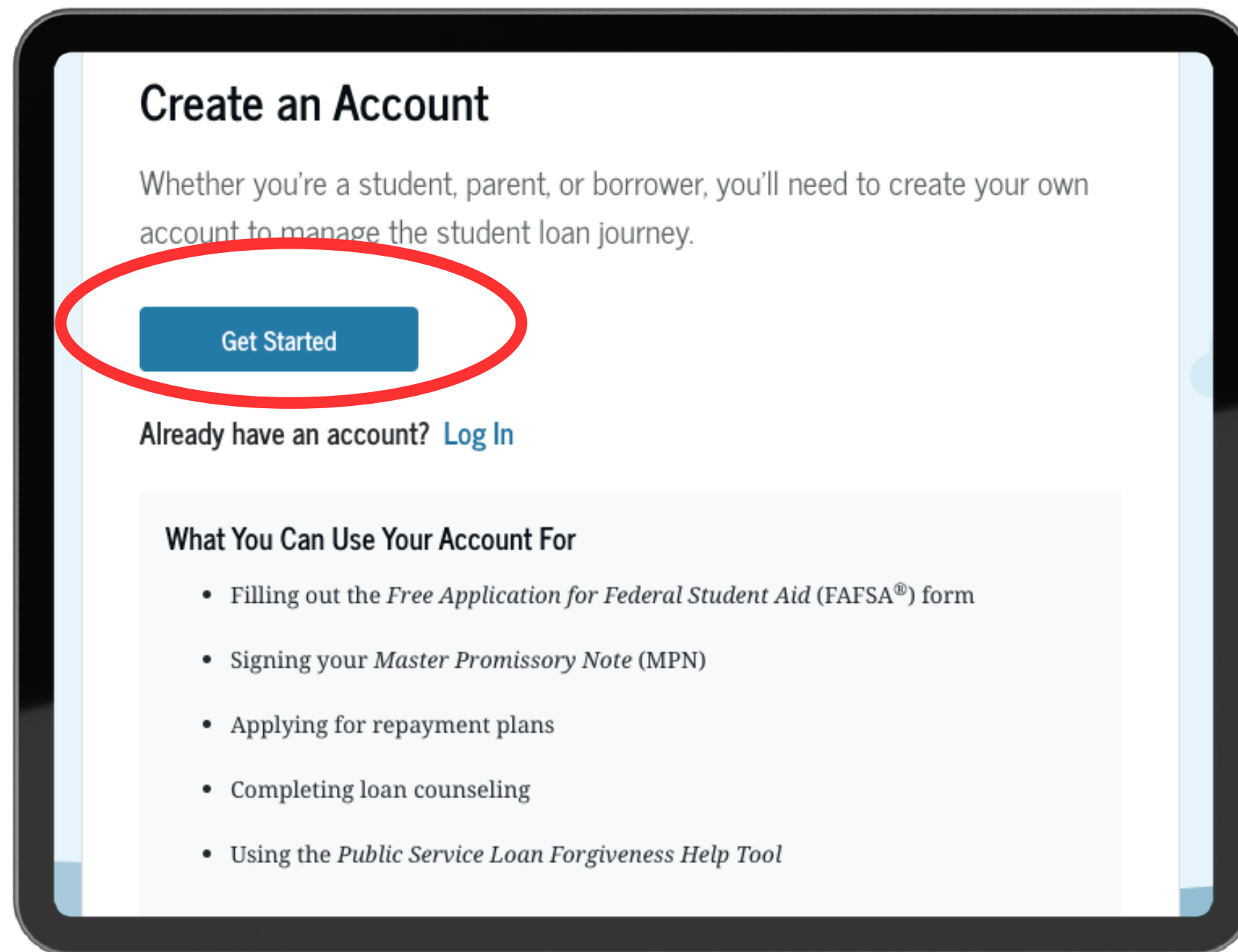
FSA ID TIPS/REMINDERS

1. Use your FULL legal name (middle name, both last names, etc.)
2. Ensure the social security number you use is YOURS.
3. Use your personal email!!! DO NOT USE School email.
4. You will need access to your phone and email address to receive verification codes
5. Write down your username, password, and backup code somewhere safe!!
6. Parents also have to create an FSA ID to fill out their portion of the application



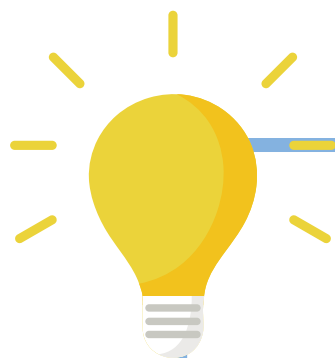
FSA ID – GETTING STARTED

studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch



FSA ID – PERSONAL INFO

- Write full legal name as shown on SSN card
 - Click on "Show Text" to make sure you entered your SSN correctly
- Note: Sometimes names are long, so write out as much as it fits!



Click on the question marks to see more details and info

Create an Account (FSA ID)

Step 1 of 7

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

Note: A user can only have one account associated with his or her Social Security number.

Cancel Continue

FSA ID – ACCOUNT INFO

- Create your own username
- Use a personal email (no school emails!)
- Create your password
 - Use a password that is easy to remember!



Write down and/or take a picture of the username and password you created!

A screenshot of a tablet displaying the 'Create an Account (FSA ID)' form. The form is titled 'Create an Account (FSA ID)' and is labeled 'Step 2 of 7' and 'Account Information'. A progress bar at the top shows the current step is highlighted in green. Below the title, there is a warning: '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.' The form contains five input fields: 'Username', 'Email Address', 'Confirm Email Address', 'Password', and 'Confirm Password'. Each field has a 'Show Password' link and a help icon. Below the 'Password' field, there are four checkmarks indicating password requirements: 'Uppercase', 'Lowercase', 'Number', and '8+ characters'. At the bottom of the form, there are two buttons: 'Previous' and 'Continue'.

FSA ID – CONTACT INFO

- Enter your permanent mailing address
- We encourage to check off the "mobile phone account access" so that you can use your phone to reset account information
- Select your other contact and language preferences

Create an Account (FSA ID)
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](#)

Step 4 of 7
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 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

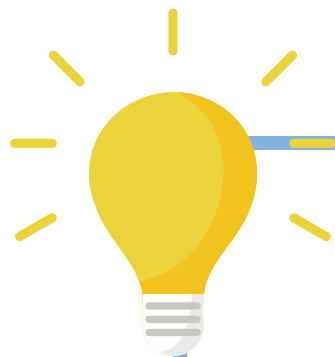
Language Preference

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

Language

FSA ID – CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

- Select your challenge questions and answers
 - Click "show answer" to review your answers
 - Recommendation: Select questions where your answers don't change! Your favorites change all the time.



Write down or take a picture of all your challenge questions and answers

A screenshot of a tablet displaying the 'Create an Account (FSA ID)' page. The page is titled 'Create an Account (FSA ID)' and shows 'Step 5 of 7'. The main heading is 'Challenge Questions'. Below this, there is a paragraph explaining that challenge questions and answers are used to retrieve the user's username or password if they are forgotten or need to unlock their account. A note states 'Note: Answers are not case-sensitive.' The form contains four sections, each for a 'Challenge Question'. Each section has a 'Question' dropdown menu with 'Select' as the current option, and an 'Answer' text input field with a 'Show Answer' button. At the bottom of the form, there are two buttons: 'Previous' and 'Continue'.

FSA ID – SETTING UP VERIFICATION METHODS

Verify each contact method

- Set up verification methods
 - phone, email, authenticator app
- Write down "Backup Code" as an alternative verification method

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
5554324567 ⚠ Not Verified Verify

Email Verification
johndoe.original@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](#)

Enable Two-Step Verification: Backup Code

i We recommend storing your backup code in a safe place.

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

Your Backup Code Is:

CK3H1SM5MRET

I have stored this backup code somewhere safe.

Previous

Continue

FSA ID – LOGGING IN WITH MULTI-FACTOR

Step #1 - FSA ID

- Username
- Password

Log In ↗

FSA ID Username, Email, or Phone

 [Forgot My Username](#)

Password

 [Show Password](#) [Forgot My Password](#)

Log In

OR

Create an Account

Step #2 - Multi-factor authentication

- Phone number
- Email
- Authenticator App

Two-Step Verification

Enter Secure Code
Enter the secure code we sent in a text message to your mobile phone: *****4567

Enter the secure code below

[Resend code](#)

Having Trouble? Try a different method.

Enter Secure Code
Enter the secure code we sent to your email: jo*****@gmail.com

Enter the secure code below

[Resend code](#)

Enter Secure Code
Open the authenticator app installed on your device to generate a secure code.

Enter the secure code below

Alternative

- Use your unique "Backup code"

Your Backup Code Is:

CK3H1SM5MRET

IF PARENTS DON'T HAVE A SSN

Creating their FSA ID will be 80% the same!

- 1 Parents will check off “I dont have a SSN”
- 2 Parents will answer contact and address information, set up their two step verification
- 3 Parents will answer personal questions, they have one chance to answer them correctly
- 4 If Parent answers are correct, their FSAID will be verified on the spot and you are ready to go!

Create an Account

Step 1 of 7

Personal Information

I understand that I'll be required to certify that the information I provide to create an account is true and correct and that I'm the individual who 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 may be subject to a fine, prison time, or both.

First Name
Jesse

Middle Initial
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Last Name
Faden

Date of Birth
Month: 09 Day: 07 Year: 1991

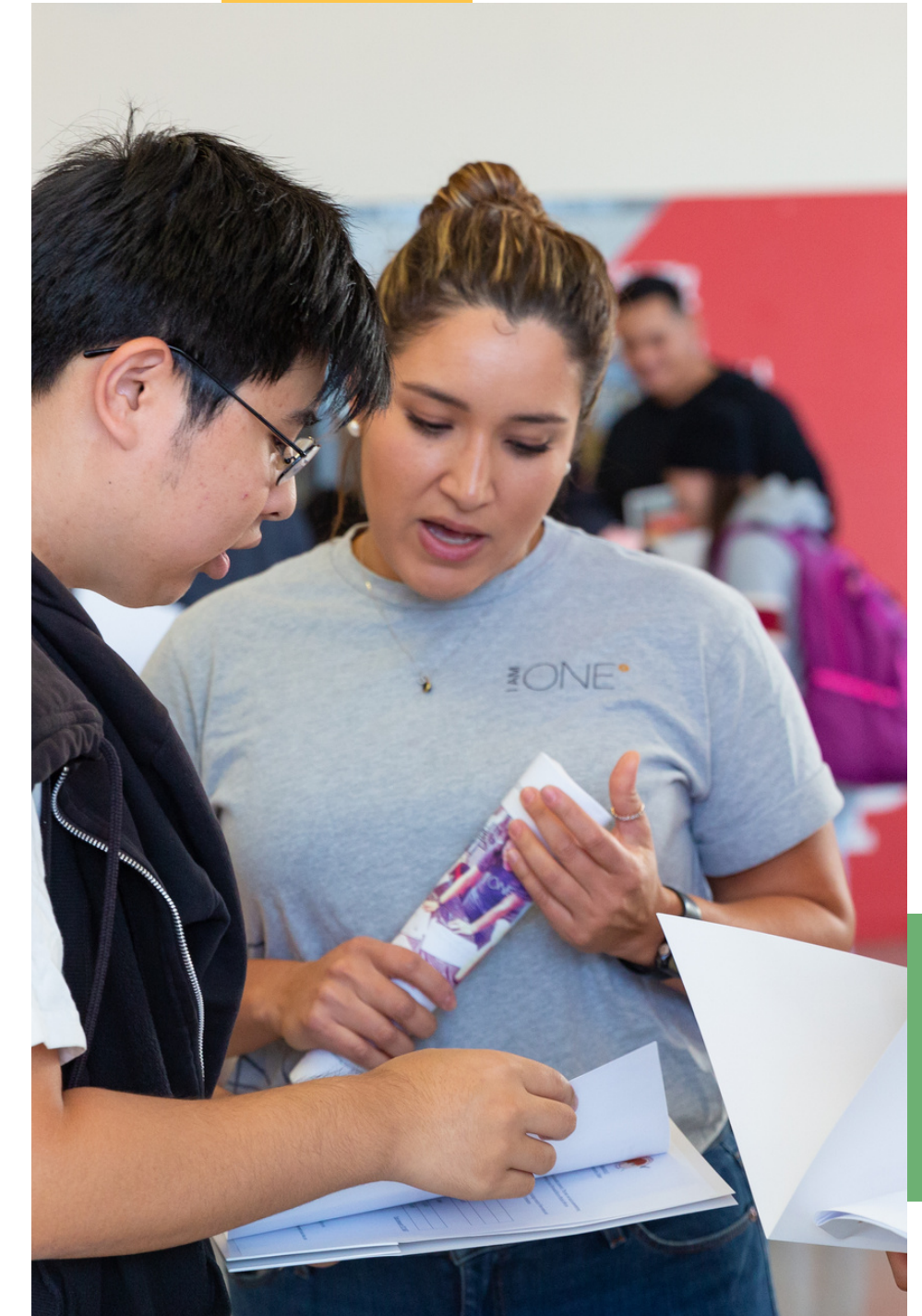
Social Security Number

I don't have a Social Security number.

IF PARENTS DON'T HAVE A SSN

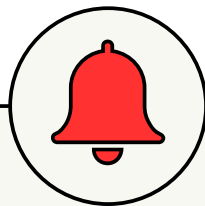
What happens if my FSA ID isn't verified?

- 1 If parents' answers are incorrect, they will be prompted to call FSA IC at 1-800-433-3243
- 2 Parent will receive an email with the documents they need to upload
- 3 What documents might they request?
 - Option 1: Drivers license, Foreign passport or State ID
 - Option 2: Utility bill **AND** municipal ID card, community ID, or consulate ID card
- 4 Once documents are uploaded, it takes 1-3 days to verify identity



CA DREAM ACT (CADA)

- dream.csac.ca.gov to apply for **free**
- Opens in December
- Priority deadline April 2
- Access to **State** Aid only
- For students who are AB540. Including students who are undocumented, or those who have a SSN because of DACA/TPS/U-Visa



Will open by 12/31



WHO IS AB540 ELIGIBLE?

It exempts students from paying out-of-state tuition or "non-resident" fees

STUDENT MUST...

1

Have attended 3 cumulative years at a CA school (K-12, Community College, Adult School)

2

Obtain CA HS Diploma or GED, CHSPE, Associate's Degree, OR minimum credit requirements to transfer



PARENT SIGNATURE

- Parent signs the application electronically within the CADAA by checking off the acknowledgment checkboxes
- If Parent does not sign at the time of submission the parent can sign at a later time by going to the CADAA application home page



CA DREAM ACT ACCOUNT CREATION TIPS/ REMINDERS

1. Only create account if you are AB540 eligible (graduating from CA HS & have been in CA school system 3 years)
2. Use your FULL legal name (middle name, both last names, etc.)
3. Use your personal email!!! DO NOT USE School email.
4. You will need access to your email address to set up your password
5. Write down your username and password somewhere safe!!

10,000 DEGREES SCHOLARSHIPS



Opens December 1, 2023 | Priority deadline March 2, 2024

10000degrees.org/scholarships



For students in all the regions we serve!

- NO GPA or test score requirement to apply
- NO Citizenship or documentation status requirement
- Students pursuing a Career Program, Community College, 4-year college/university
- Demonstrate financial need



How to apply - Our teams are here to help you at every step!

- 1 Submit FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application
- 2 Complete scholarship application through your 10,000 Degrees Student Portal



UPCOMING VIRTUAL EVENTS

Financial Aid Submit Workshop

January 31, 2024 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Financial Aid Submit Workshop

March 6, 2024 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Financial Aid Submit Workshop

March 27, 2024 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM

To register, visit

10000degrees.org/calendar-events



TO CREATE ACCOUNTS (ONLY 1 ACCOUNT PER STUDENT)

FSA IDs:

<https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch>

CA DREAM ACT:

<https://dream.csac.ca.gov/register>