



## FINANCIAL STUDENT AID ID

An FSA ID is the username and password that you will use to access your personal information on certain U.S. Department of Education (ED) websites like the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov).

You would also use your FSA ID to electronically sign legally binding documents. It has the same legal status as a written signature.

***Do not give your FSA ID to anyone—not even to someone helping you fill out the FAFSA and DO NOT create an FSA ID for anyone other than yourself.***

## HOW TO CREATE AN FSA ID:

1. Go to [fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov)
2. Enter the following information:
  - An e-mail address that you can readily log in to.
  - A unique username and password. \*Write this down somewhere.
  - Verify that you are at least 13 years old.
3. Enter your personal information.
  - Provide your Social Security number, name, and date of birth. Use the name that matches what is on your SS card. \*Check the box to “show text” to verify you are entering everything correctly.
  - Include your mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number, and language preference.
  - For security purposes, provide answers to five challenge questions. \*Use the “show text” option and write down questions and answers.
4. Submit your FSA ID information.
  - Agree to the terms and conditions.
  - Enter a cell phone number to receive a text message in addition to an email to confirm your FSA ID or reset your password.
  - Verify your e-mail address. By verifying your e-mail address, you can use your e-mail address as your username when logging into certain ED websites.

## TIPS

- An e-mail address cannot be used with more than one FSA ID. If you forget your username or password, you can request a secure code be e-mailed to you that allows you to reset your username or password.
- A dependent student will need to have one of his or her legal parents sign their FAFSA, so the parent needs an FSA ID as well.
- If you already have a Federal Student Aid PIN, you can link your PIN to your FSA ID. This allows you to immediately use your FSA ID to access your personal information on any of the ED websites that require an FSA ID.
- If you are creating an FSA ID for the first time, or if you don't link your FSA ID to your PIN, you may use your FSA ID to sign an original FAFSA, but nothing else.

*For more info, visit [ppcc.edu/financial-aid-office](https://ppcc.edu/financial-aid-office) or [financialaid@ppcc.edu](mailto:financialaid@ppcc.edu)*



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