

FASFA : What you need and How to do it?

Before you start:

- **Make a FSA ID for the your child and yourself** : <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>
- **Documents at hand:**
 - Your social security and child's social security
 - Your and child's (if they have one) driver's license number / Alien Registration number if you are not a U.S. citizen
 - Federal tax information* or tax returns including IRS W-2 information (From the most recent year)
- **Finalized List of Universities your child is applying to**
- **Asset information**

When to start: As soon as possible, the FAFSA has a rolling deadline and opens October 1.

Filling out the Fafsa: Be as accurate as possible when filling this form out any mistake found can have you start the process over

- **Student Demographics and Eligibility**
- **School Section**
- **Dependency Determination** :Your child will need your help filling this out unless they file as independent.
- **Parent Demographic Information**
- **Parent Tax Information** can use the IRS data retrieval tool
- **Parent Financial Information** :Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) is based off the family's gross income
- **Student Tax Information**
- **Student financial information** :If dependent mark as 0
- **Sign and Submit**
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After Filing Fafsa: Three day to three weeks after you will receive Student Aid Report

- Quickly make any necessary corrections and submit them to the FAFSA processor.