

Creating a FSA ID

The first step to completing your FAFSA is to create a FSA ID (a username and password). Your FSA ID gives you access to Federal Student Aid's online system and serves as your legal signature. Only create an FSA ID using your own personal information and for your own exclusive use. You'll use your FSA ID every year you are in college to complete the FAFSA and review your federal student aid.

You can use this tip sheet to help you complete the FSA ID Process.

Note: this information should be kept confidential and stored in a secured location.

To get started, log on to fsaid.ed.gov.

IDENTITY INFORMATION

Please be sure to fill out your legal name and date of birth correctly when you complete your FSA ID! Social Security Number must match what is on your **Social Security Card**.

Student Information:

E-mail Address: _____

Username: _____

Password: _____

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Social Security Number (SSN) _____-_____-_____

PROFILE INFORMATION

Include your **Cell Phone Number** to aid in recovery assistance should you lose your FSA ID.

Mailing Address: _____

CELL: (____) _____-_____ ALT Phone Number: (____) _____-_____

Challenge Questions: You will be asked to create four challenge questions from a drop down list. Below are some examples. Write down your questions and answers.

- What was the name of your elementary school?
- What is the nickname of your youngest sibling?
- What city were you born in?
- What was your high school's mascot?
- Who was your first boss?
- What was the name of your first pet?
- What was the name of your first teacher?
- What color was your first car?

CONFIRM & VERIFY INFORMATION

DO NOT CLOSE PAGE AFTER HITTING SUBMIT! FSA will send you an e-mail and cell phone verification.

Reminder: Your parents will also need to create an FSA ID by providing the same information above. If your parents have created an FSA ID for themselves when applying for aid for an older sibling, they will use the same FSA ID to help file your FAFSA and for all FAFSAs.