

Finish Line to the FAFSA

The *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) form is an application for federal student aid. This form helps determine your eligibility for aid such as grants, work-study, scholarships and loans. Completing and submitting the FAFSA form is free.



Why Complete the FAFSA?

Completing the FAFSA opens doors to financial assistance, making college more affordable. Don't leave money on the table – seize opportunities for a brighter future!

Who Should Complete the Form?

If you have aspirations for any type of education beyond high school, whether it's a university, community college or certificate program, the FAFSA is for you! Regardless of your family's financial situation, completing the FAFSA is crucial for accessing financial aid to support your educational journey.

Myths

The FAFSA is only for loans. →

I won't qualify for aid. →

I can't submit the FAFSA if I haven't chosen a college. →

I only need to submit the FAFSA form once. →

I support myself, so I don't have to include parent information on the FAFSA. →

Facts

Not at all. In fact, the FAFSA form is one of the most widely used tools to access student aid, such as grants, work-study and scholarships.

Even if you don't qualify for free aid such as the Federal Pell Grant, many institutions require a FAFSA on file to grant access to any form of merit-based scholarships a student may have earned.

You can list up to 20 schools on your FAFSA. It's better to submit early, even if you haven't decided where you'll attend.

You have to fill out the FAFSA form every year you're in school to stay eligible for federal student aid, but filling out the renewal FAFSA form takes less time.

This is not necessarily true. Even if you support yourself and file taxes on your own, you may still be considered a dependent student for federal student aid purposes.

Encourage your seniors to complete the FAFSA.

Over half of Arizona's high school seniors did not complete the FAFSA in 2023, leaving more than **\$122 million** in Pell Grant funding behind.

Step 1



Create Your FSA ID [here](#)
It's your electronic signature that provides access to the FAFSA.

Step 2



Visit [FAFSA.gov here](#)
to start your FAFSA application.

Need help?



Find local FAFSA resources and support [here](#).