

Studentaid.gov Account How to Guide

WHAT IS A STUDENTAID.GOV ACCOUNT?

The **Studentaid.gov Account** also known as the Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID is a username and password that is required to log in and access all Federal Student Aid websites, including the FAFSA. The FSA ID also serves as a legal signature when you submit your FAFSA

WHO SHOULD CREATE A STUDENTAID.GOV ACCOUNT?

You and one or both of your parents must create an FSA ID before completing the FAFSA. If you are an independent student, you will not need to have your parents or legal guardian create a **Studentaid.gov Account.** If you have a sibling who attended college before you, your parent may already have a **Studentaid. gov Account.**

WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED TO CREATE A Studentaid.gov Account?

- Full name and social security number, as they appear on social security card (if applicable)
- · Date of birth
- Valid email address (use a personal email not your school email) & phone number
- · Your residential address

CREATE AN FSA ID

- Visit studentaid.gov and click "Get Started".
 (ADD QR CODE to site)
- Follow the prompts and enter your information
- · Select 4 challenge questions and answers
- Set up Two -step verification to safeguard your account. A 6-digit secure code will be sent to you for SMS-text and email.
- You will receive a confirmation email once your FSA is set up.

FAQ's

CAN I EDIT MY Studentaid.gov Account?

Yes. If your personal information changes or you would like to update anything on your account, you can make changes by logging in at studentaid. gov and selecting "settings" under your account information.

WHAT IF I FORGET MY Studentaid.gov Account USERNAME OR PASSWORD?

You can retrieve your username or reset your password by having a secure code sent to your phone/email. You may also answer your challenge questions, but this option comes with a 30-minute waiting period before you can use your account again.

CAN MY PARENT(S) CREATE AN Studentaid.gov Account IF THEY DO NOT HAVE A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER?

Yes, they will just need to select the "I do not have a Social Security number" check box.