

# ITEMS NEEDED TO COMPLETE A FAFSA

**Important:** Be sure to create an account and set up a username and password (FSA ID) at [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov) at **least five days before completing your FAFSA**. Create your ID at [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov), or go to [StudentAid.gov/Create Account](https://StudentAid.gov/Create Account) to begin. Parents with Social Security numbers will also need to create their own FSA IDs.

Before you begin the FAFSA, be sure to gather the following information:

- Your FSA ID (see above)
- Your Social Security number
- Your alien registration number (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
- Your parent(s)' date of birth, current address, Social Security number and email address
- Your **2022** federal income tax returns, W-2s, and other records of money earned
- The current total of your cash, savings and checking accounts
- Records of investments (if applicable)
- Records of untaxed income (if applicable)
- Net worth of farm(s) or business(es) (if applicable)

If you're a dependent\* student, your parent(s) will also need to create an FSA ID and provide the information listed above. Parents without Social Security numbers should be able to create an FSA ID when the FAFSA opens.

*\*Not sure if you're a dependent or independent student? See [UCanGo2's Dependency Questionnaire](#) and [Who Needs an FSA ID?](#) for more information.*