

What is an FSA ID, and will I need it to complete the FAFSA[®] form?

The FSA ID allows students and parents to identify themselves electronically to access Federal Student Aid websites.

An FSA ID is made up of a username and password and can be used to log into the online *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA[®]) form.

While you aren't required to have an FSA ID to complete and submit a FAFSA form, it's **the fastest way** to sign your application and have it processed. It's also **the only way** to access or correct your information online, or to prefill an online FAFSA form with information from your previous year's FAFSA form.

If you don't already have an FSA ID, you can create one at:

<https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch>

Parents

If you previously created an FSA ID when you were a student, you don't need to create another one. You can only have one FSA ID linked to your Social Security number.

NOTE:

- If you verified your email address or mobile phone number during account creation, you can enter your email address or mobile phone number instead of your username.

- If you have an FSA ID but don't remember your username, select "Forgot Username." <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/sign-in/retrieve-username>
- If you have an FSA ID but don't remember your password, select "Forgot Password." <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/sign-in/account-lookup>

FSA ID Notes

Remember that student and parent **must each have an FSA ID and their information must be separate (Cannot use same email address or same mobile phone number.)**

What to have with you:

- Social Security number (don't guess!!)
 - YOUR Mobile phone
- YOUR Personal PROFESSIONAL email address (**DO NOT USE SCHOOL EMAIL ADDRESS**)
- Your password must be between 8 and 30 characters in length, and it must contain at least one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter, and one number. Special characters are not required, but the following characters may be included as part of your password:
! # \$ % & () * + - . : ; < = > ? @ [] ^ _ { } ~
 - Remember, your password is case-sensitive.

Write your information on the FSA ID form provided in the FAFSA folder under RESOURCES in our Senior Counselor Connection Group.

Store your information in a safe place that you have access to!!

Email a copy of this form to dwolchina@bcbe.org to be stored in your folder at school in case you misplace your copy.

Watch this You Tube Video

How to Create an Account Username and Password (FSA ID)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yj1Pn-shze8>

OR this One

Creating an FSA ID (a great walk through of the steps!!)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XI8AlqohkD4>