

# How to Create your Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID

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

Select the - Get Started - button

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Follow the steps by entering the following information:

1

**Username** - Anything you will remember and hasn't already been taken.  
- You will see a message that says "Username Available" or "Username Taken" once you meet the minimum field requirements.  
**Password** - Anything you will remember that meets the password criteria and minimum field requirements.  
**Name, date of birth, and social security number.**

Make sure to write down and save all of your information!

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**Email** - Must be personal and unique to the individual requesting the ID.  
**Note: Students - we encourage you to NOT use your high school or college email address.**  
**Mobile Phone** - Unique to the individual requesting the ID  
**Note: Check the recovery option box which allows you to receive secure codes for retrieving username or password.**  
**Mailing Address, City, State, and Zip Code**

Click on the "?" at the end of each line for a helpful tip on what is required for each field.

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**Select 4 Challenge Questions** and answer each  
- Your answer must be between 3 and 15 characters  
- Answers are not case sensitive  
- Letters, numbers, and spaces are the only allowed characters

Click the "show text" box to review any hidden text throughout each step.

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**Review ALL information and click on the check box, agreeing to the terms and conditions**  
**Verify your mobile phone**  
- You will receive a 6-digit code via text.  
- Enter the secure code in the box provided.  
**Verify your email** (keep your current screen open):  
- Open your email account in another device or window.  
- Find the email with the subject line "Important: Your FSA ID E-mail Validation - Action required."  
- Take the 6-digit code in the email and enter it back on the FSA ID screen in the box provided.

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You have created your FSA ID!  
You may now go to [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) and **login** to your FAFSA with the username and password you created.

**Questions? Connect with MJC Financial Aid**

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