

2024-2025 FAFSA Simplification Overview



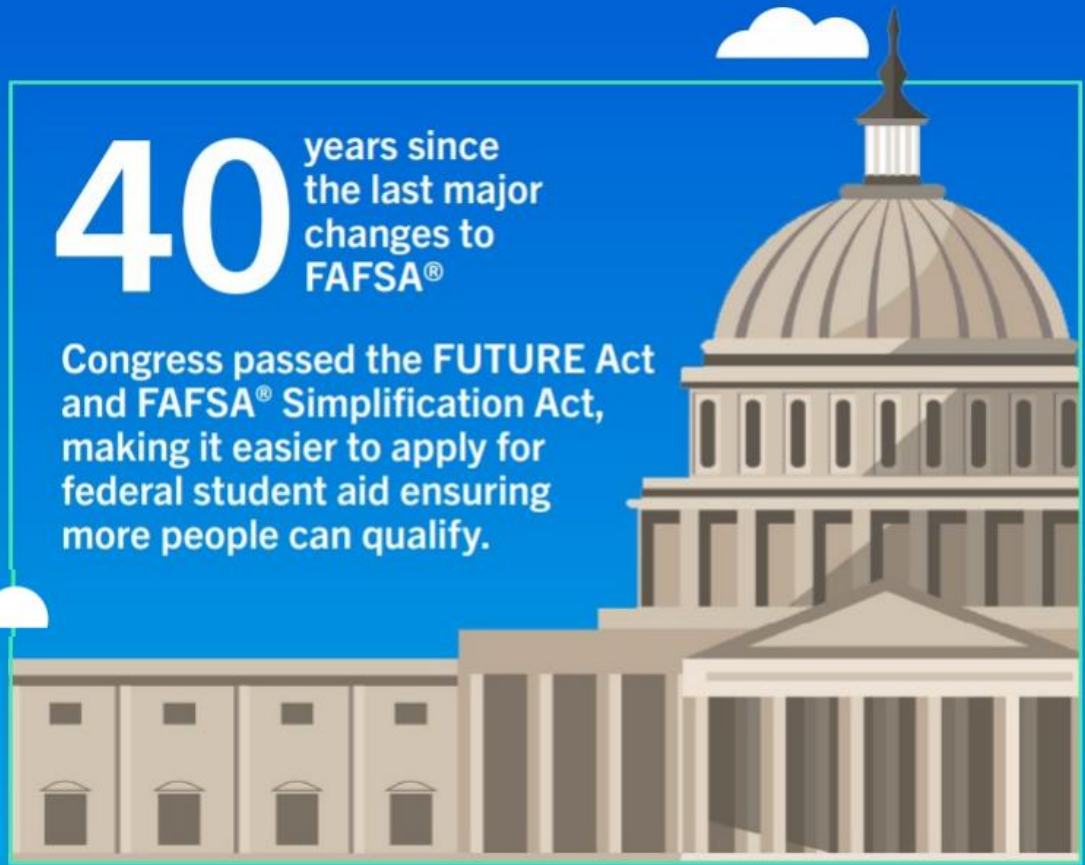
For The School of Graduate & Adult Education
Presented by Student Financial Services

Please note the following information can be found through the FSA Knowledge Center. These slides were created on Nov 15, 2023, so information may have changed or updated since that date



40 years since
the last major
changes to
FAFSA®

Congress passed the **FUTURE Act**
and **FAFSA® Simplification Act**,
making it easier to apply for
federal student aid ensuring
more people can qualify.





Major Changes to the FAFSA As We Know It...

- ❑ FAFSA will be available starting December 31, 2023 instead of October 1. For 25-26 FAFSA will be again available Oct 1st.
- ❑ Recalculation of federal aid eligibility. Eligibility for aid is more closely associated with household information on filed taxes and using poverty guidelines by state.
- ❑ Consideration for professional judgement such as dependency status and financial changes are more comprehensively considered.
- ❑ The actual form itself is 'simplified' from a consumer perspective (maybe not so much for aid offices 😊!)



How Do We Get More Information and Stay Up To Date?

- ❑ The Department of Education is currently communicating with students who have previously filed FAFSAs that the FAFSA will be available starting December 2023 instead of October
- ❑ Alvernia has a 24-25 FAFSA webpage updated weekly
<https://www.alvernia.edu/fafsa>
- ❑ PA State Grant agency, PHEAA, has many useful resources as well: <https://www.pheaa.org/college-planning/fafsa/>



General/Other Question

FAFSA available Oct 1st (PA State Grant Deadline May 1st)

Over 100+ questions

Student and Parent can work on the same questions together

Selective Service and Drug Conviction question

Demographic questions including sex, race, ethnicity

Third parties could charge a fee to help fill out FAFSA

General/Other Question Changes

FAFSA available Dec 2023; Oct 1st starting back 25-26 (PA State Grant Deadline May 1st)

Less than 40 questions

Student and Parent have their own sections after signing in

Removed

23-24 optional; 24-25 required, but not shared with school or eligibility calc

Any fees charged to fill out FAFSA are banned



Previous Terminology

EFC (Expected Family Contribution)

FSA ID

Parent(s);
Parent Spouse;
Applicant Spouse

IDR (Income Data Retrieval)
& FAFSA Signature

Room & Board

Student Aid Report (SAR)

New Terminology

SAI (Student Aid Index)

Studentaid.gov Account

Contributors

FTI (Federal Tax Information)
& Consent

Housing & Food

FAFSA Submission Summary

The EFC Is No Longer

EFC



EFC

Parent &
Student
Incomes

Household
Size

0 to
999,999

SAI

Contributor
Income

Tax Return
Data

-1,500 to
999,999

Can adjust if info
has changed
since filling taxes;
in college NOT
part of need
analysis

Pell

Determined by EFC
(income & household
size)

Rates determined by
schedule based on
college cost of
attendance

Amount proportion
based on term
attendance (full, part,
three quarter, less than
three quarter time)

New Pell

Determined by AGI and
family size determined
by tax information

Rates determined by
state of residence &
poverty guidelines

Amount proportion
based on enrolled
credit hours



IDR (Income Data Retrieval) & FAFSA Signature

Student/Parent elects to retrieve tax information from IRS to FAFSA

Student/Parent manually enters tax information

Student/Parent can modify tax information after FAFSA submittal

Dep not married; report income of parent student lives with 9 months of year

FTI (Federal Tax Information) & Consent

Contributors to FAFSA consent to automatic IRS data retrieval

Manual entry of tax data results in no SAI and SFS would need to perform income validation

Consent cannot be revoked

Dep not married; report income of parent who provides the greater portion of the student's financial; a remarried parent must include their spouse's (the student's stepparent) income.

Taxes will need to be filed before SAI is provided

Other Income Data

Value of family farms and small business with less than 100 employees is excluded from assets

Families making less than \$50k do not report assets

Child support received is counted as income

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Student/Parent can modify tax information after FAFSA submittal

Other Income Data Changes

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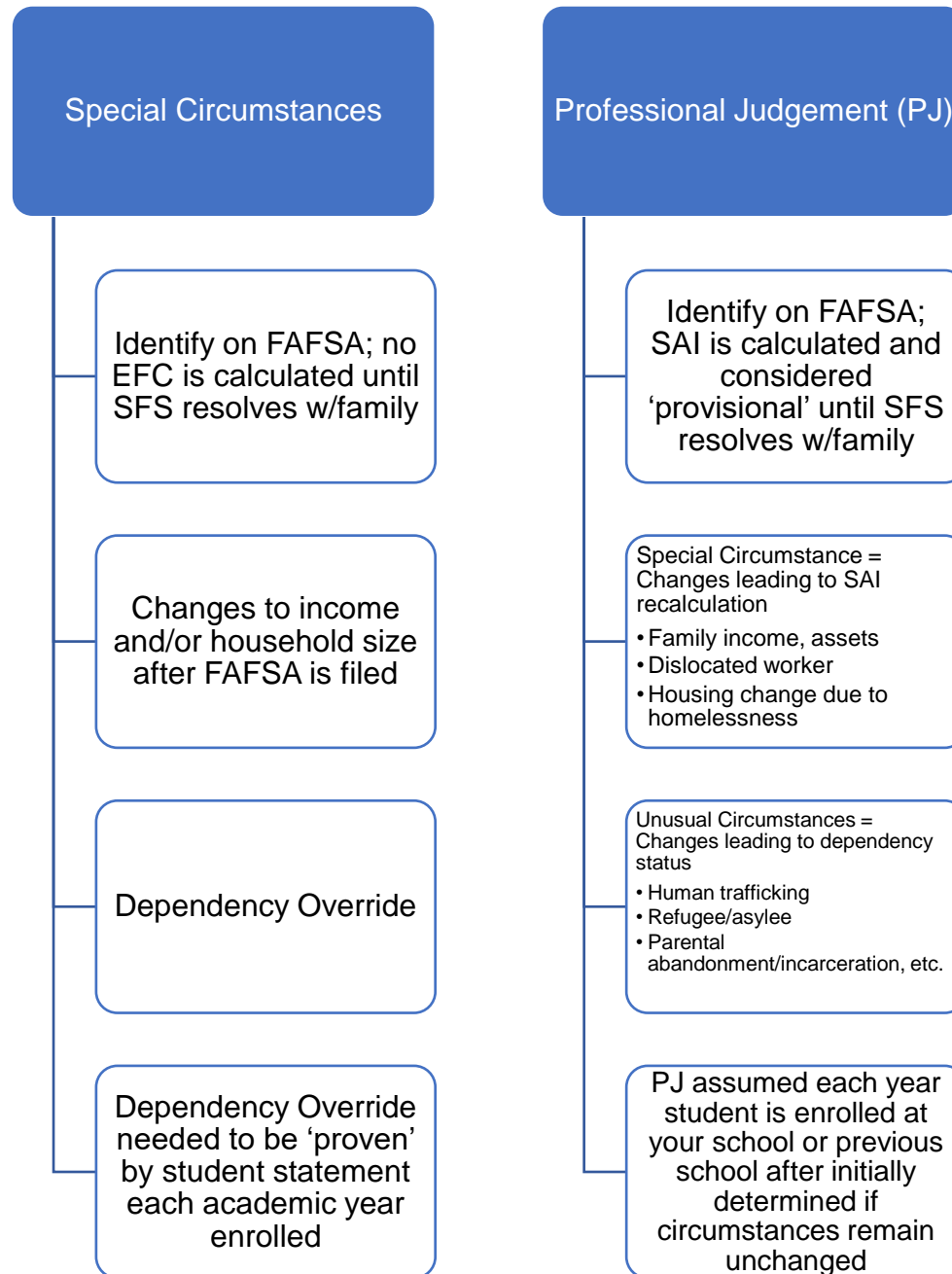
Families making less than \$60k do not report assets

Child support received reported as an asset

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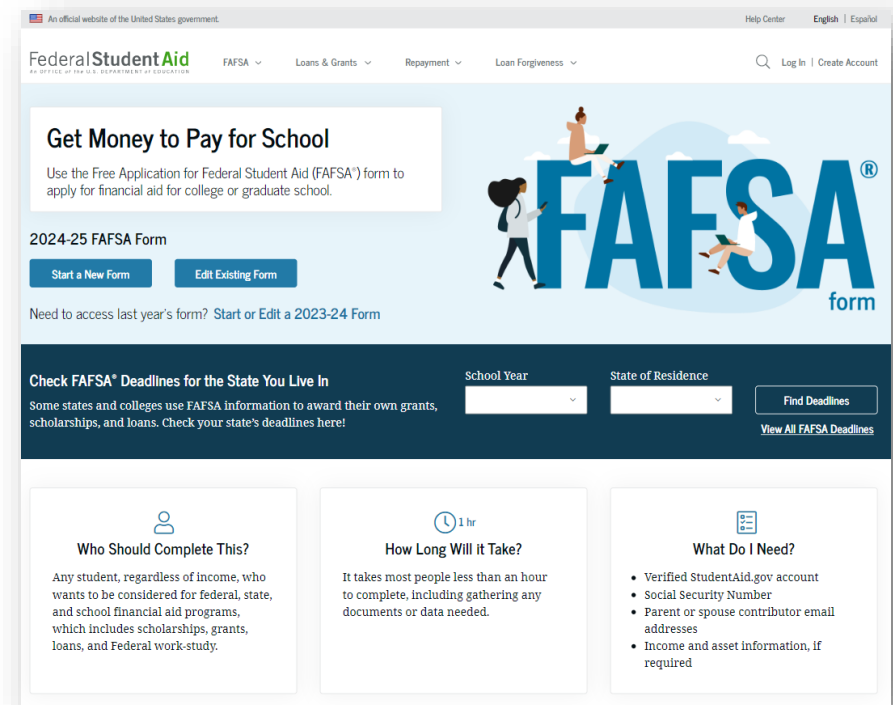
Consent cannot be revoked

Net worth = value of business/farm – debts owed against it



Independent Student FAFSA® Form Landing Page

This is the main FAFSA® form landing page. On this page, students are directed to "Start a New Form" or "Edit Existing Form." For the purpose of this presentation, the student is beginning a new application.



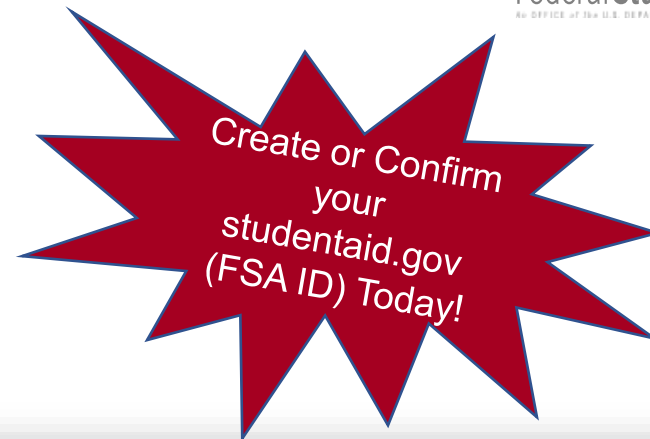
The screenshot shows the Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form landing page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Federal Student Aid logo and links for FAFSA, Loans & Grants, Repayment, and Loan Forgiveness. Below the navigation bar, the main heading is "Get Money to Pay for School" with a sub-heading "Use the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form to apply for financial aid for college or graduate school." There are two buttons: "Start a New Form" and "Edit Existing Form". Below these buttons, there is a link to "2024-25 FAFSA Form" and a link to "Need to access last year's form? Start or Edit a 2023-24 Form". On the right side, there is a large graphic of the FAFSA logo with the word "form" below it. Below the main heading, there is a section titled "Check FAFSA® Deadlines for the State You Live In" with dropdown menus for "School Year" and "State of Residence", and a "Find Deadlines" button. Below this section, there are three columns of information: "Who Should Complete This?", "How Long Will it Take?", and "What Do I Need?".

Who Should Complete This?
Any student, regardless of income, who wants to be considered for federal, state, and school financial aid programs, which includes scholarships, grants, loans, and Federal work-study.

How Long Will it Take?
It takes most people less than an hour to complete, including gathering any documents or data needed.

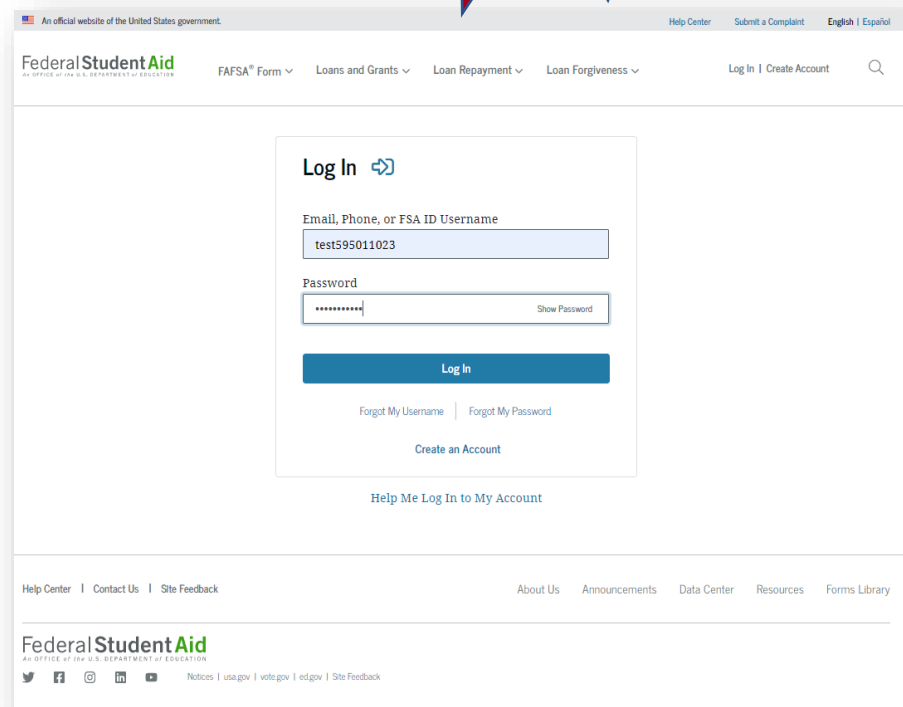
What Do I Need?

- Verified StudentAid.gov account
- Social Security Number
- Parent or spouse contributor email addresses
- Income and asset information, if required



Independent Student Log In

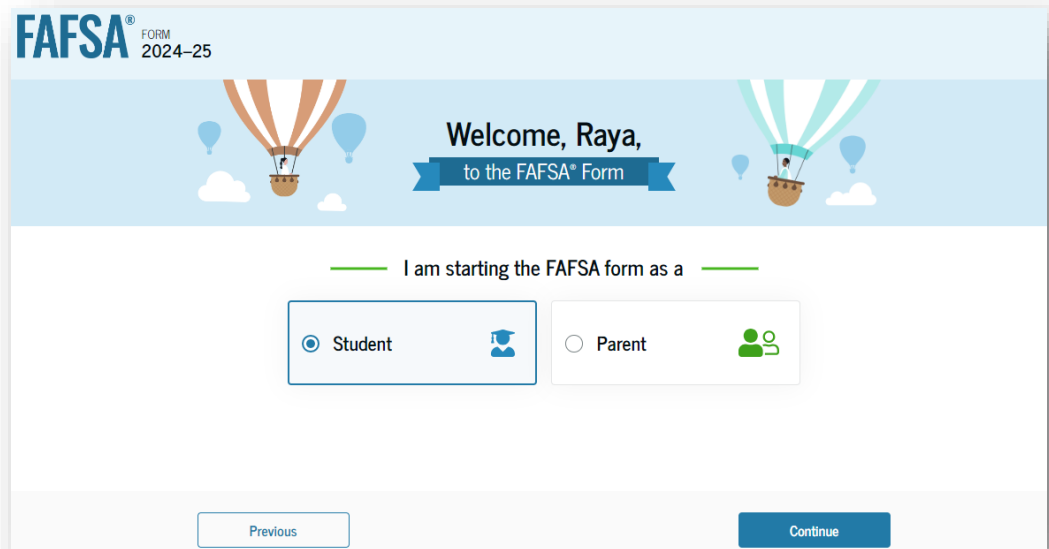
If the student selects "Start a New Form" from the FAFSA® landing page and they are not logged in to StudentAid.gov, they are taken to the "Log In" page to enter their log-in credentials. To access the FAFSA form, all students are required to have a studentaid.gov account ID [FSA ID] (account username and password). If the student doesn't have an studentaid.gov account, they can select "Create an Account."



The screenshot shows the Federal Student Aid website's login interface. At the top, it says "An official website of the United States government." and includes navigation links for "Help Center", "Submit a Complaint", and "English | Español". The main header features the "Federal Student Aid" logo and navigation options for "FAFSA® Form", "Loans and Grants", "Loan Repayment", and "Loan Forgiveness". A "Log In | Create Account" link is also present. The central "Log In" form contains a "Log In" heading with an external link icon, a text input field for "Email, Phone, or FSA ID Username" with the value "test595011023", a password input field with masked characters and a "Show Password" link, and a blue "Log In" button. Below the button are links for "Forgot My Username", "Forgot My Password", and "Create an Account". At the bottom of the form is a link for "Help Me Log In to My Account". The footer includes "Help Center | Contact Us | Site Feedback", "About Us | Announcements | Data Center | Resources | Forms Library", and the "Federal Student Aid" logo with social media icons and a "Notices | usa.gov | vote.gov | ed.gov | Site Feedback" link.

Independent Student Roles

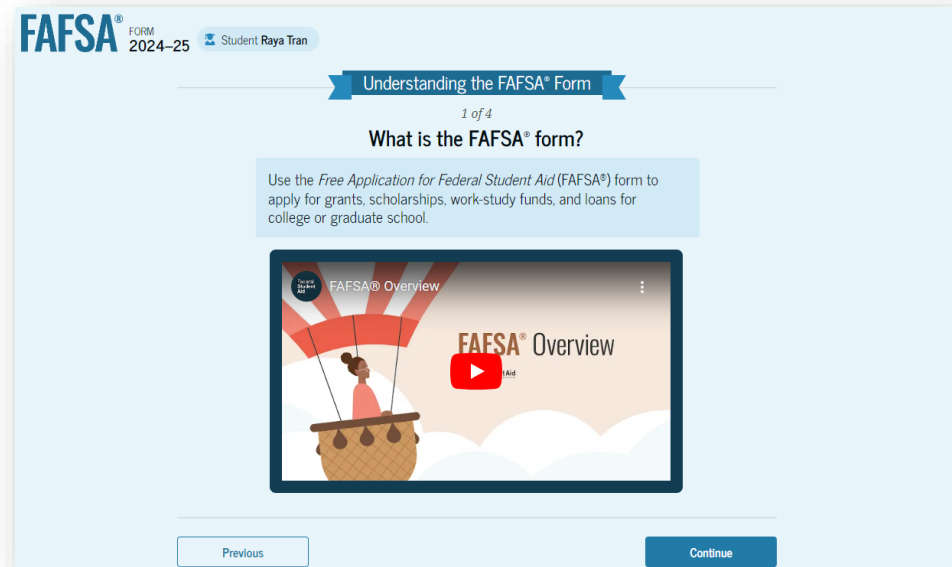
After logging in, the student selects the applicable role to fill out the FAFSA® form: “Student.”



The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2024-25 login interface. At the top left, it says "FAFSA® FORM 2024-25". The main heading reads "Welcome, Raya, to the FAFSA® Form". Below this, a green line indicates the role selection: "I am starting the FAFSA form as a". There are two options: "Student" (selected with a radio button and a graduation cap icon) and "Parent" (unselected with a radio button and a family icon). At the bottom, there are "Previous" and "Continue" buttons.

Independent Student Onboarding (1 of 4)

When the student starts the 2024–25 FAFSA® form for the first time, they are taken through the FAFSA onboarding process. The first onboarding page provides an overview of the FAFSA form and an accompanying video.



Independent Student Onboarding (2 of 4)

The second FAFSA® onboarding page provides information about the different roles that may be required to participate in the student's FAFSA form and documents that may be needed to fill out the form.



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Understanding the FAFSA® Form
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Contributors to the FAFSA® Form

 **Parents or Spouses**
Your answers on the FAFSA form will determine if any contributors need to be identified. These contributors will complete their own sections of the form and are asked to provide personal and financial information, but will not become financially responsible for your education.

 **How to Invite**
Contributors will need to log in with their own FSA ID to provide their information. To invite a contributor to your FAFSA form, you'll need to provide their name, date of birth, Social Security number, and email address.

Information or Documents You May Need ^

You might need the following information or documents as you fill out the FAFSA form:

- Tax returns
- Records of child support received
- Current balances of cash, savings, and checking accounts
- Net worth of investments, businesses, and farms

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5 Steps for Contributors

Step 1

- Contributor receives email informing them that they've been identified as a contributor

Step 2

- Contributor creates a studentaid.gov account (FSA ID) if they do not yet have one

Step 3

- Contributor logs in to studentaid.gov

Step 4

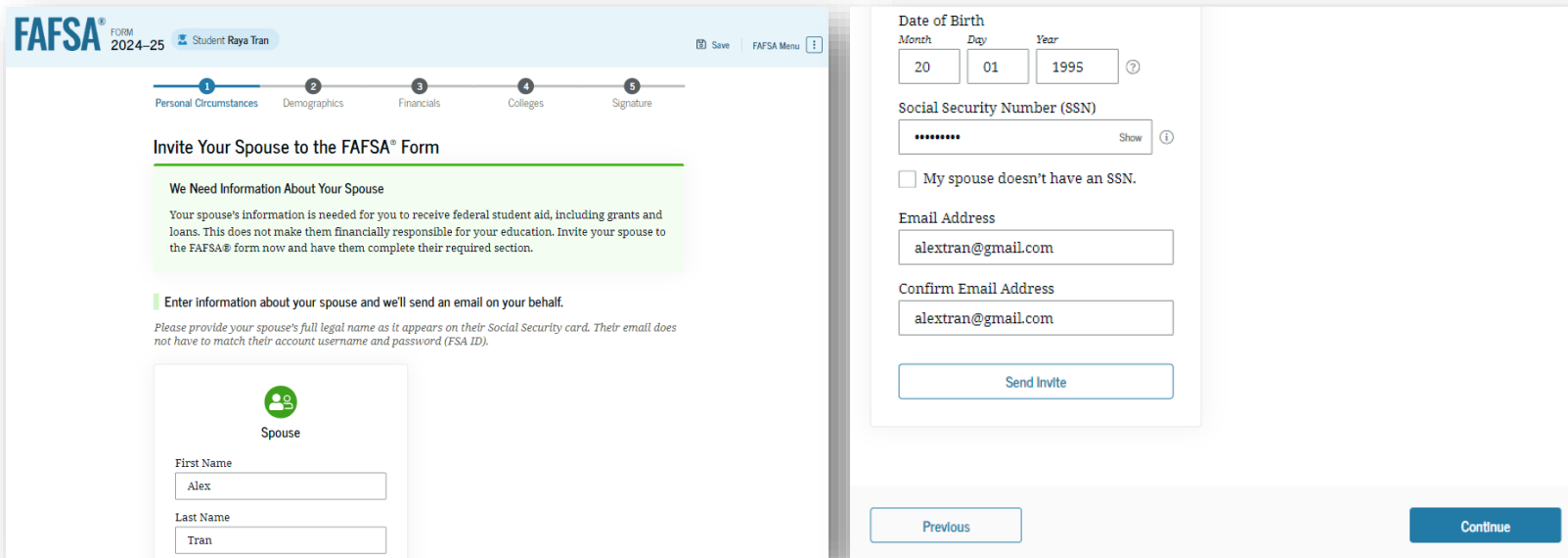
- Contributor reviews information about completing their section of the FAFSA

Step 5

- Contributor provides the required information on the student's FAFSA form

Invite Spouse to Your FAFSA® Form

The student is asked to enter the personal information of their spouse in order to send them an invite to their FAFSA® form.



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1 Personal Circumstances 2 Demographics 3 Financials 4 Colleges 5 Signature

Invite Your Spouse to the FAFSA® Form

We Need Information About Your Spouse

Your spouse's information is needed for you to receive federal student aid, including grants and loans. This does not make them financially responsible for your education. Invite your spouse to the FAFSA® form now and have them complete their required section.

Enter information about your spouse and we'll send an email on your behalf.

Please provide your spouse's full legal name as it appears on their Social Security card. Their email does not have to match their account username and password (FSA ID).

Spouse

First Name
Alex

Last Name
Tran

Date of Birth
Month: 20 Day: 01 Year: 1995

Social Security Number (SSN)
***** Show

My spouse doesn't have an SSN.

Email Address
alextran@gmail.com

Confirm Email Address
alextran@gmail.com

Send Invite


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Student Spouse Email

This is NOT a view within StudentAid.gov nor the FAFSA® form. This view demonstrates a student spouse opening the FAFSA invitation from their email. The student spouse selects "Log In" and is taken to StudentAid.gov.

FederalStudentAid

Help Complete [StudentFirstName]'s Form



[Contributor First Name],

[StudentFirstName] [StudentLastInitial] can't be eligible for federal student aid without your input. Help them complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* form.

Providing information as a contributor does not make you financially responsible for [StudentFirstName]'s education costs. Completing the FAFSA form is how they qualify for student aid including

- Federal Pell Grants,
- federal student loans,
- state financial aid, and
- school financial aid.

[Log in with your FSA ID (account username and password) to complete your section.]

Note: Forms are deleted after 45 days of inactivity.

Don't recognize [StudentFirstName]? Read [\[help_topic_title\]](#).



Log In

1 Why You Were Invited

Without your input, [StudentFirstName] won't be eligible for federal student aid.


Reasons To Finish Early


Here's why it's a good idea to finish as soon as possible:

-  States and schools have different deadlines for student aid. Check the ["FAFSA® Deadlines"](#) page for more information.
-  You may need extra time to make corrections after you submit.

1 Can't find [StudentFirstName]'s Form?

Read [\[help_topic_title\]](#).

 [Sign up for text alerts](#) to stay updated on our grant programs, loan forgiveness programs, repayment plans, and information about your loans.

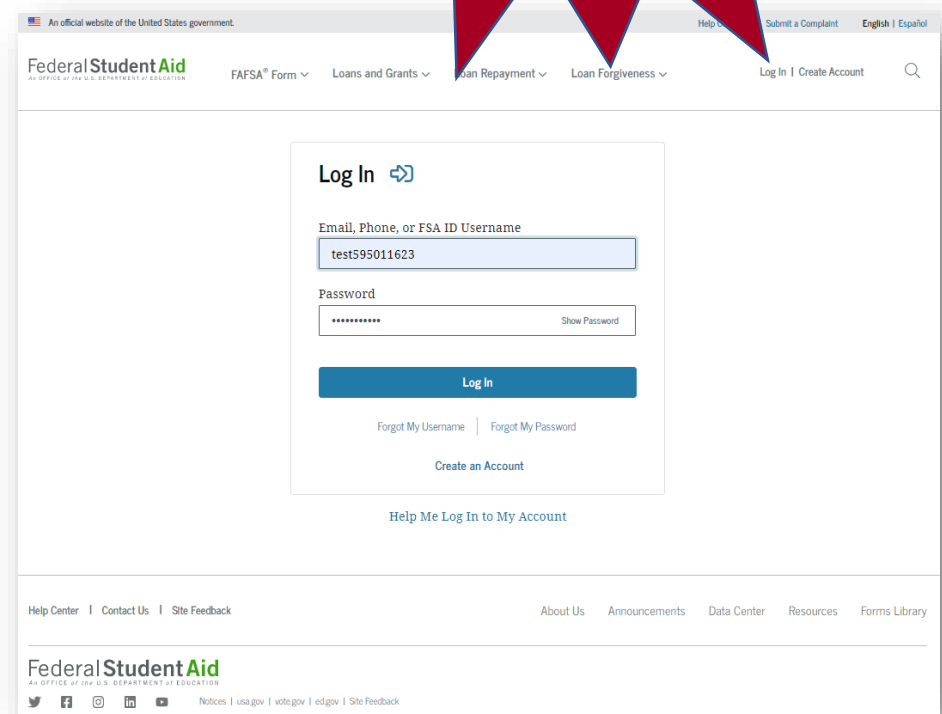
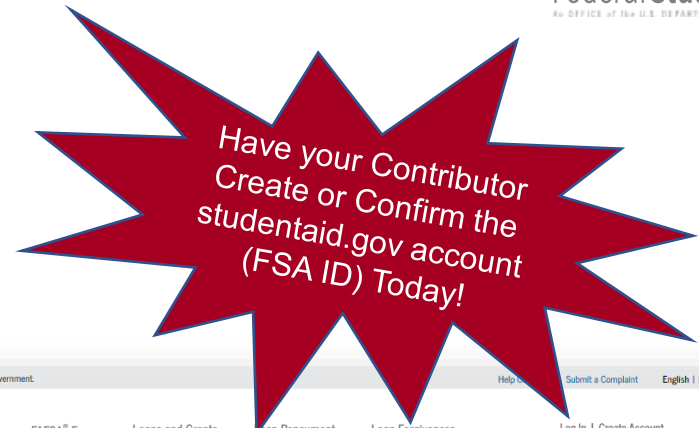


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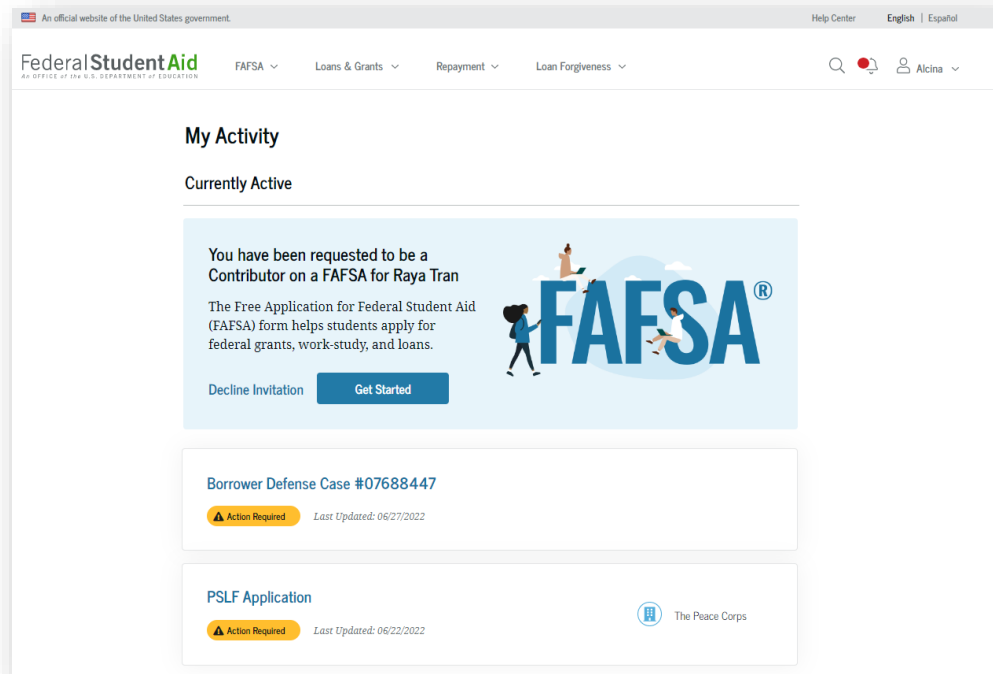
Student Spouse Log In

The student spouse is taken from their email to the "Log In" page to enter their log-in credentials. To access the FAFSA® form, all users are required to have a studentaid.gov account ID [FSA ID] (account username and password). If the student spouse doesn't have a studentaid.gov account, they can select "Create an Account."



Student Spouse Status Center – My Activity

After successfully logging in, the student spouse is taken to their "My Activity" page. The student spouse sees an invitation to be a contributor on the student's FAFSA[®] form.



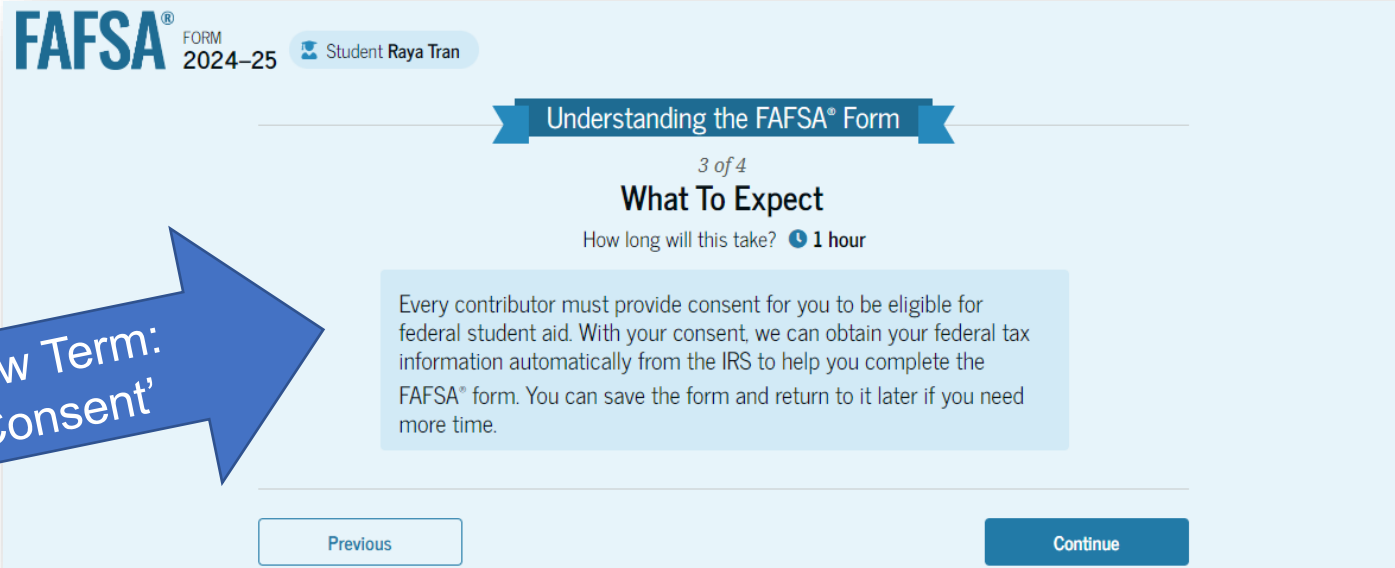
The screenshot shows the 'My Activity' page on the Federal Student Aid website. The page header includes the Federal Student Aid logo, navigation links for FAFSA, Loans & Grants, Repayment, and Loan Forgiveness, and a user profile dropdown for 'Alcina'. The main content area is titled 'My Activity' and 'Currently Active'. A prominent blue banner contains the message: 'You have been requested to be a Contributor on a FAFSA for Raya Tran'. Below this, it explains that the FAFSA form helps students apply for federal grants, work-study, and loans. There are two buttons: 'Decline Invitation' and 'Get Started'. Below the banner, there are two activity cards. The first is 'Borrower Defense Case #07688447' with a yellow 'Action Required' tag and a 'Last Updated: 06/27/2022' timestamp. The second is 'PSLF Application' with a yellow 'Action Required' tag, a 'Last Updated: 06/22/2022' timestamp, and a 'The Peace Corps' logo.

Contributor Info

Important!

Being a contributor does NOT implicate financial responsibility. However, if a required contributor refuses to provide information, it will result in an incomplete FAFSA, and the student will become ineligible for federal student aid

Independent Student Onboarding (3 of 4)



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Understanding the FAFSA[®] Form

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What To Expect

How long will this take? 1 hour

Every contributor must provide consent for you to be eligible for federal student aid. With your consent, we can obtain your federal tax information automatically from the IRS to help you complete the FAFSA[®] form. You can save the form and return to it later if you need more time.

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New Term: 'Consent'

The third FAFSA[®] onboarding page provides information about the types of questions the student can expect to see and how they can get additional help with filling out the FAFSA form.

Consent Info

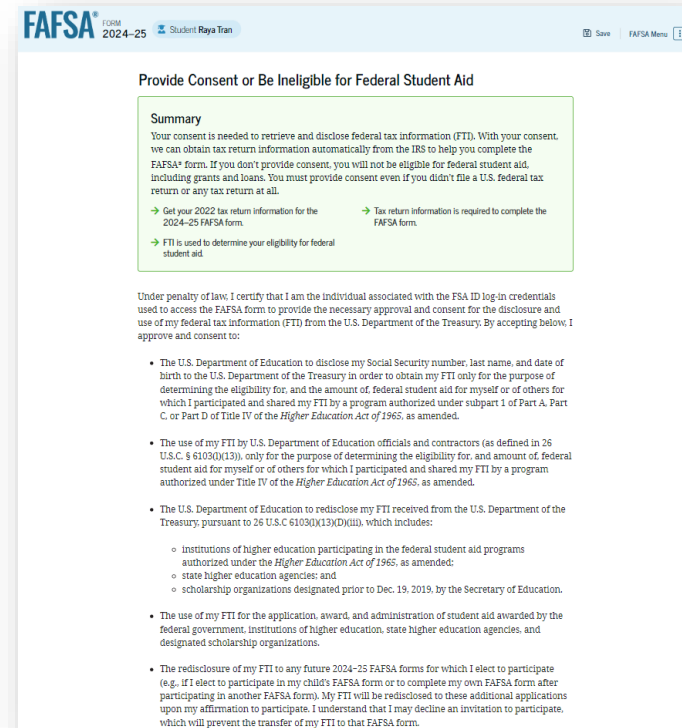
Important!

Consent is a new process that alerts the IRS that both the student and contributor(s) are allowing the IRS to share federal tax information with the Department of Education.

Completion of the FAFSA is reliant upon consent. If consent is not given, the FAFSA form will remain incomplete, and the student will be ineligible for federal student aid.

Married Student Provides Consent

This page informs the student about consent and their federal tax information. **By providing consent, the student's federal tax information is transferred directly into the FAFSA® form from the IRS** to help complete the Student Financials section. The student selects "Approve" to provide consent and is taken to the next page.



FAFSA 2024-25 Student: Raya Tran Save FAFSA Menu

Provide Consent or Be Ineligible for Federal Student Aid

Summary

Your consent is needed to retrieve and disclose federal tax information (FTI). With your consent, we can obtain tax return information automatically from the IRS to help you complete the FAFSA® form. If you don't provide consent, you will not be eligible for federal student aid, including grants and loans. You must provide consent even if you didn't file a U.S. federal tax return or any tax return at all.

→ Get your 2022 tax return information for the 2024-25 FAFSA form. → Tax return information is required to complete the FAFSA form.

→ FTI is used to determine your eligibility for federal student aid.

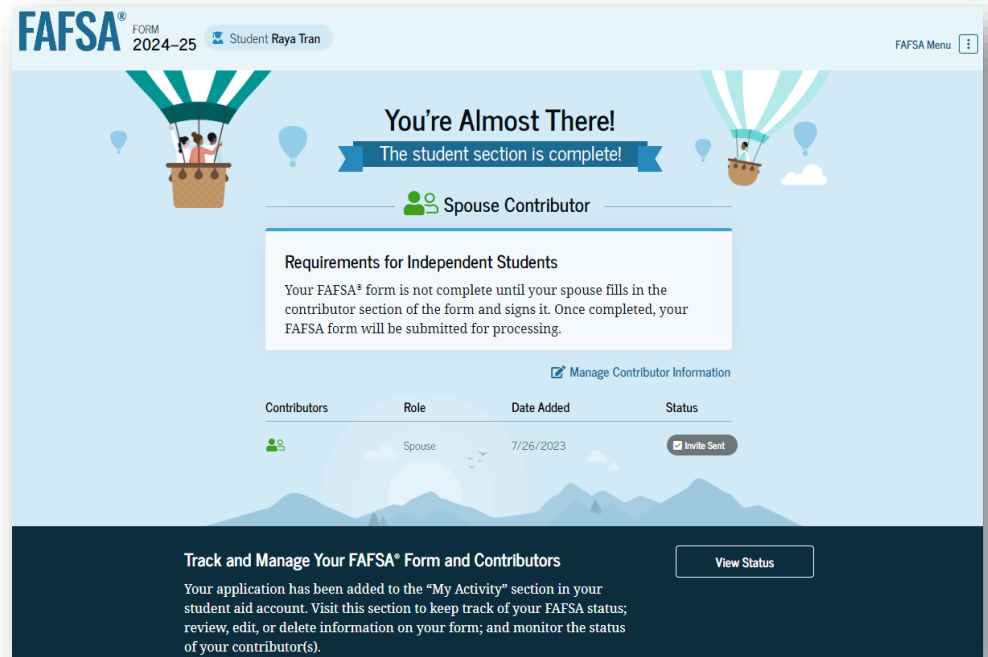
Under penalty of law, I certify that I am the individual associated with the FSA ID log-in credentials used to access the FAFSA form to provide the necessary approval and consent for the disclosure and use of my federal tax information (FTI) from the U.S. Department of the Treasury. By accepting below, I approve and consent to:

- The U.S. Department of Education to disclose my Social Security number, last name, and date of birth to the U.S. Department of the Treasury in order to obtain my FTI only for the purpose of determining the eligibility for, and the amount of, federal student aid for myself or of others for which I participated and shared my FTI by a program authorized under subpart 1 of Part A, Part C, or Part D of Title IV of the *Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended.
- The use of my FTI by U.S. Department of Education officials and contractors (as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 61030(k)(13)), only for the purpose of determining the eligibility for, and amount of, federal student aid for myself or of others for which I participated and shared my FTI by a program authorized under Title IV of the *Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended.
- The U.S. Department of Education to redisclose my FTI received from the U.S. Department of the Treasury, pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 61030(k)(13)(D)(iii), which includes:
 - Institutions of higher education participating in the federal student aid programs authorized under the *Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended;
 - state higher education agencies; and
 - scholarship organizations designated prior to Dec. 19, 2019, by the Secretary of Education.
- The use of my FTI for the application, award, and administration of student aid awarded by the federal government, institutions of higher education, state higher education agencies, and designated scholarship organizations.
- The redisclosure of my FTI to any future 2024-25 FAFSA forms for which I elect to participate (e.g., if I elect to participate in my child's FAFSA form or to complete my own FAFSA form after participating in another FAFSA form). My FTI will be redisclosed to these additional applications upon my affirmation to participate. I understand that I may decline an invitation to participate, which will prevent the transfer of my FTI to that FAFSA form.

Married Student Section Complete

Upon signing the student section, the student is presented the student section complete page. This page displays information for the student about next steps, including tracking their FAFSA® form.

The student is reminded that their form is not completed and can't be submitted until their spouse completes the contributor section of the form and signs it. Next, in this scenario, the student's invited spouse will enter the FAFSA form and complete the spousal section.




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You're Almost There!
The student section is complete!

Spouse Contributor

Requirements for Independent Students
Your FAFSA® form is not complete until your spouse fills in the contributor section of the form and signs it. Once completed, your FAFSA form will be submitted for processing.

[Manage Contributor Information](#)


Contributors	Role	Date Added	Status
	Spouse	7/26/2023	Invite Sent

Track and Manage Your FAFSA® Form and Contributors
Your application has been added to the "My Activity" section in your student aid account. Visit this section to keep track of your FAFSA status; review, edit, or delete information on your form; and monitor the status of your contributor(s).

[View Status](#)

Student Spouse Provides Consent

This page informs the student spouse about consent and their federal tax information. By providing consent, the student spouse's federal tax information is transferred directly into the FAFSA® form from the IRS to help complete the Student Spouse Financials section. The student spouse selects "Approve" to provide consent and is taken to the next page.



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Provide Consent or the Student Will Be Ineligible for Federal Student Aid

Summary

Your consent is needed to retrieve and disclose federal tax information (FTI). With your consent, we can obtain tax return information automatically from the IRS to help you complete your section of the student's FAFSA® form. If you don't provide consent, the student will not be eligible for federal student aid, including grants and loans. You must provide consent even if you didn't file a U.S. federal tax return or any tax return at all.

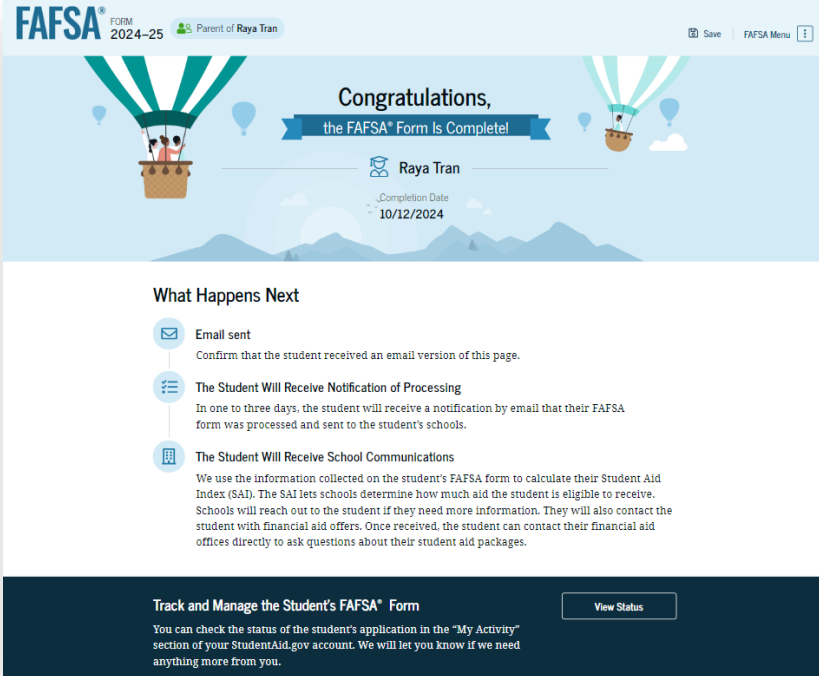
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- Tax return information is required to complete the FAFSA form.
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- The use of my FTI by U.S. Department of Education officials and contractors (as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 6103(k)(13)), only for the purpose of determining the eligibility for, and amount of, federal student aid for myself or for others for which I participated and shared my FTI by a program authorized under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.
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Student Spouse Confirmation

Upon submitting the student's FAFSA® form, the student spouse is presented an abbreviated confirmation page. This page displays information about tracking the student's FAFSA form and next steps. **The student will receive an email with the full, detailed confirmation. With the student and student spouse sections completed and signed, the FAFSA form is now considered complete and submitted for processing.**



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Congratulations,
the FAFSA® Form Is Complete!

Raya Tran
Completion Date
10/12/2024

What Happens Next

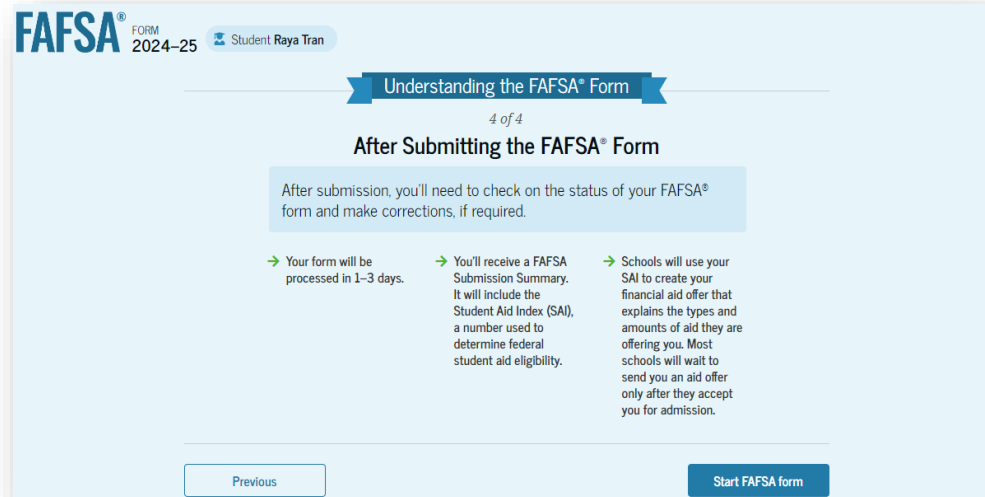
- Email sent**
Confirm that the student received an email version of this page.
- The Student Will Receive Notification of Processing**
In one to three days, the student will receive a notification by email that their FAFSA form was processed and sent to the student's schools.
- The Student Will Receive School Communications**
We use the information collected on the student's FAFSA form to calculate their Student Aid Index (SAI). The SAI lets schools determine how much aid the student is eligible to receive. Schools will reach out to the student if they need more information. They will also contact the student with financial aid offers. Once received, the student can contact their financial aid offices directly to ask questions about their student aid packages.

Track and Manage the Student's FAFSA® Form View Status

You can check the status of the student's application in the "My Activity" section of your StudentAid.gov account. We will let you know if we need anything more from you.

Independent Student Onboarding (4 of 4)

The last FAFSA® onboarding page provides information about what to expect once the FAFSA form is completed and submitted. On this page, the student can select "Start the FAFSA form" to begin.



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After Submitting the FAFSA® Form

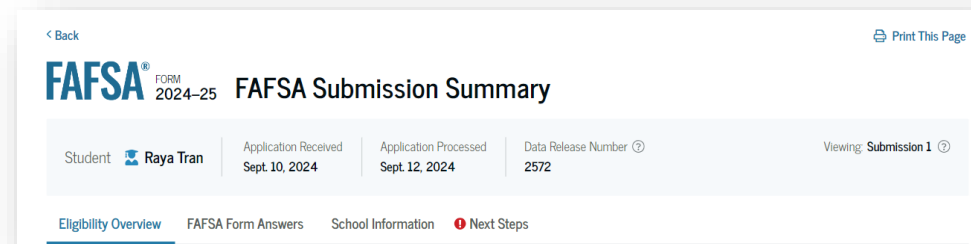
After submission, you'll need to check on the status of your FAFSA® form and make corrections, if required.

- Your form will be processed in 1-3 days.
- You'll receive a FAFSA Submission Summary. It will include the Student Aid Index (SAI), a number used to determine federal student aid eligibility.
- Schools will use your SAI to create your financial aid offer that explains the types and amounts of aid they are offering you. Most schools will wait to send you an aid offer only after they accept you for admission.

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FAFSA Submission Summary Landing Page

The student receives a FAFSA Submission Summary for their processed FAFSA® form and any subsequent corrections that they submit. The FAFSA Submission Summary is broken into four tabs: Eligibility Overview, FAFSA Form Answers, School Information, and Next Steps. At the top, the student will see information about when their form was received and processed. They also have the option to print their FAFSA Submission Summary to keep for their records.

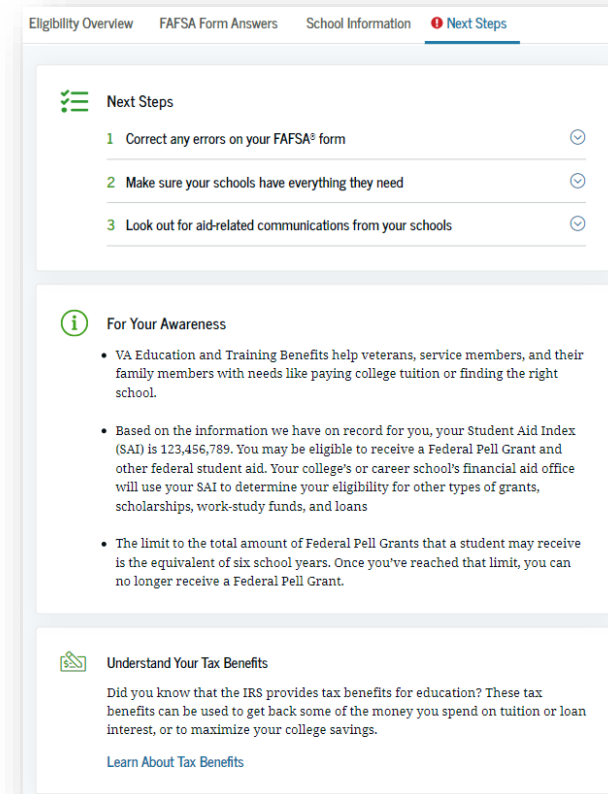


The screenshot shows the FAFSA Submission Summary landing page for the 2024-25 form year. The page title is "FAFSA FORM 2024-25 FAFSA Submission Summary". The student's name is "Raya Tran". The application was received on "Sept. 10, 2024" and processed on "Sept. 12, 2024". The data release number is "2572". The page is currently viewing "Submission 1". The navigation tabs are "Eligibility Overview", "FAFSA Form Answers", "School Information", and "Next Steps". There are links for "Back" and "Print This Page".

Used to be called SAR
(Student Aid Report)

Next Steps

On the Next Steps tab, the student sees comments that pertain to their FAFSA® form. **Some comments may require the student to start a correction or send additional documentation to their school.** Other comments may be informational and do not require any further action from the student.



The screenshot shows the 'Next Steps' tab in the FAFSA portal. The navigation bar includes 'Eligibility Overview', 'FAFSA Form Answers', 'School Information', and 'Next Steps' (which is highlighted with a red dot). The main content area is titled 'Next Steps' and contains three numbered items, each with a dropdown arrow on the right:

- 1 Correct any errors on your FAFSA® form
- 2 Make sure your schools have everything they need
- 3 Look out for aid-related communications from your schools

Below this list is a section titled 'For Your Awareness' with an information icon (i) on the left. It contains three bullet points:

- VA Education and Training Benefits help veterans, service members, and their family members with needs like paying college tuition or finding the right school.
- Based on the information we have on record for you, your Student Aid Index (SAI) is 123,456,789. You may be eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant and other federal student aid. Your college's or career school's financial aid office will use your SAI to determine your eligibility for other types of grants, scholarships, work-study funds, and loans
- The limit to the total amount of Federal Pell Grants that a student may receive is the equivalent of six school years. Once you've reached that limit, you can no longer receive a Federal Pell Grant.

At the bottom is a section titled 'Understand Your Tax Benefits' with a document icon on the left. It contains the text: 'Did you know that the IRS provides tax benefits for education? These tax benefits can be used to get back some of the money you spend on tuition or loan interest, or to maximize your college savings.' and a link: 'Learn About Tax Benefits'.



General SFS Reminders for 23-24

- ✓ Winter/Spring bills will be published after spring registration with a due date of first week of January
- ✓ Missing documents will prevent financial aid from populating onto student billing statements. Financial aid missing docs will be listed on the initial offer letter.
- ✓ If students are expressing mitigating circumstances post FAFSA-filing such as parent separation/divorce, death, incarceration, job/income loss, please have them reach out with our offices asap
- ✓ Summer bills will be published after summer/fall registration with a due date of May 1st*
- ✓ Undergraduate PA State Grant recipients will need to apply for a Summer State Grant. Applications should be available starting in April

**Tentative date based on registration schedule*



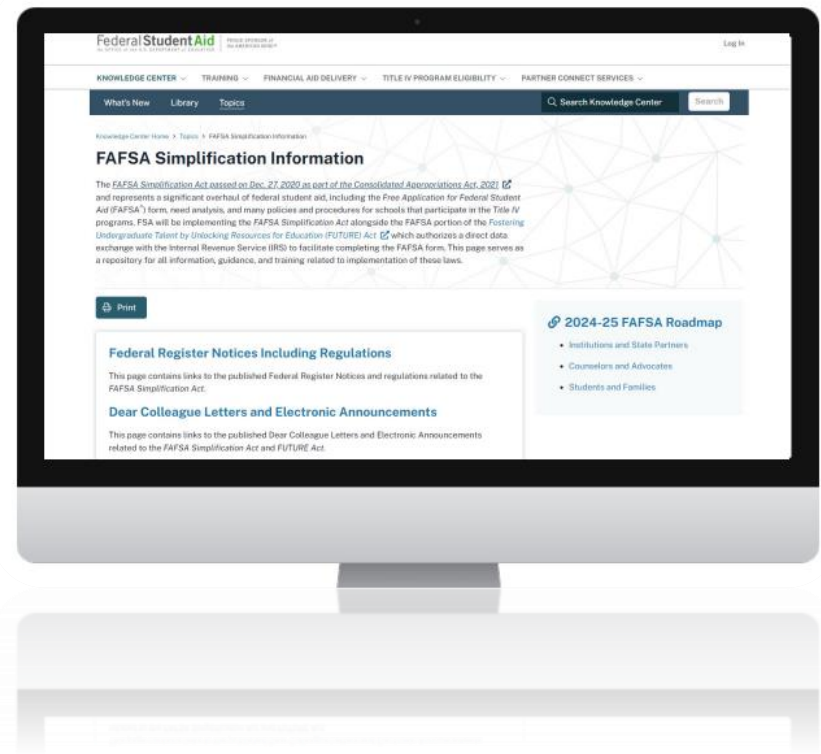
Students and Families

Resource	Delivery Date
<p>Preparing for 2024-25 FAFSA Outreach Campaign</p> <p>A communications campaign, including videos, directed to students and families highlights what they should do to prepare for the new FAFSA form. The campaign also will provide key facts about what to expect from the new FAFSA process, including how to create an FSA ID, features of the 2024-25 FAFSA form, and Federal Pell Grant eligibility.</p>	Summer 2023
<p>Financial Aid Estimator and Preview Tools</p> <p>Online tools for students and families will provide an early estimate of their Student Aid Index and potential eligibility, as well as visual previews of the new FAFSA form.</p>	Summer through Fall 2023
<p>FAFSA Information Updates on StudentAid.gov</p> <p>Ongoing updates to FAFSA information and help resources will be posted to StudentAid.gov including FAFSA process implementation updates.</p>	Summer 2023 through Winter 2024
<p>FSA YouTube Channel Updates</p> <p>{https://www.youtube.com/@FederalStudentAid/playlists </p> <p>FSA will develop videos to engage students and families. Topics will include "Preparing for the FAFSA Form" and "2024-25 FAFSA FAQs".</p>	November 2023 - February 2024
<p>2024-25 FAFSA Form Available</p>	By December 31, 2023
<p>FSA Social Media Outreach</p> <p>Ongoing multi-channel social media campaign to prepare students and families for the 2024-25 FAFSA.</p>	Beginning November 2023
<p>2024-25 FAFSA Form Processing</p> <p>FSA will begin processing FAFSA forms submitted online and students will begin to receive FAFSA Submission Summaries.</p>	January 2024

The 2024-2025 will be available starting December 31, 2023. This means schools should start to send out financial aid offers starting February 2024

Resources

- ✓ www.studentaid.gov
- ✓ <https://www.alvernia.edu/fafsa>
- ✓ PA State Grant agency, PHEAA, has many useful resources as well:
<https://www.pheaa.org/college-planning/fafsa/>
- ✓ FSA (Federal Student Aid) Knowledge Center
<https://fsapartners.ed.gov/knowledge-center/topics/fafsa-simplification-information>





Thank you!

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