



FAFSA – NOW IS THE TIME TO APPLY!

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DISCUSSION TOPICS

- What is the FAFSA
- Before You Begin
- Completing the FAFSA
- Next Steps
- FAFSA Tips





Free Application for Federal Student Aid

WHAT IS THE FAFSA?

AND WHO SHOULD FILL IT OUT?



FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

- Beware of SCAMS! This is a “FREE” application
- Administered by the Department of Education (ED)
- ALL families should complete – not all aid is based on financial need
- Families will use their prior-prior year tax return
- Gateway to Federal – State – School financial aid
- [FAFSA® Application | Federal Student Aid](#)

Who completes the FAFSA?

1. High school senior and parent(s)
2. Undergraduate dependent students and parent(s) biological or adoptive, stepparent
3. Undergraduate independent students
4. Graduate students
5. Students spouse

Don't Forget: You must RENEW the FAFSA annually!

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

- Types of Financial Aid
 - **Federal**
 - Direct Subsidized Loans
 - Direct Unsubsidized Loans
 - Work-Study
 - Pell Grants
 - TEACH Grants
 - Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOG)
 - **State**
 - Grants and Scholarships
 - **School**
 - School Loans
 - Scholarships

Resources

- www.studentaid.gov
- **State Higher Education Commission**
- **Individual Colleges and Universities**

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

2024–25 FAFSA® Form

- Use this form to apply for college financial aid for 7/1/24–6/30/25.

2025–26 FAFSA® Form Coming in December

- Apply for aid for 7/1/25–6/30/26 using this form in December.
- The 2025–26 FAFSA® form will be available in December 2024.*
 - The FAFSA available date is on track for October 1, 2025

Getting Started

- studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa
- FAFSA PDF: [Resources | Federal Student Aid](#)

Important Note:

The FAFSA form will be unavailable due to scheduled maintenance every Sunday from 3–11 a.m. Eastern time.





CHANGES & UPDATES

NEW WITH THE 2024-2025 FAFSA



2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

Why the changes?

The FAFSA Simplification Act

- Overhaul of processes and systems used to award federal student aid
- Includes the FAFSA form, needs analysis, and procedures for schools participating in federal student aid programs
- States that use the FAFSA to award state grant aid and every school participating in federal student aid programs

- A more streamlined application process
- Expanded eligibility for federal student aid
- Expanded eligibility for the Federal Pell Grant.
- Reduced barriers for certain student populations
- A better user experience for the FAFSA form
- Enhanced data sharing with IRS

FAFSA CHANGES AND UPDATES

2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

Summary of Changes

- Shorter more user-friendly 36 questions vs. 108
- Student Aid App has been retired
- Contributor will replace Student, Spouse, Parent
- The Student Aid Index (SAI), replaces the Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
- List up to 20 colleges vs 10
- Divorced parents – the one who provides the most support
- Unusual circumstances – the FAFSA allows contributors to continue
- FAFSA Submission Summary replaces the Student Aid Report (SAR)

2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

Data Transfer and Import

- The new Direct Data Exchange (DDX) will replace the old IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT)
- **EVERYONE** who contributes to a FAFSA will be required to provide consent to transfer data from the IRS – this will include non-filers, people without Social Security Numbers, and foreign tax filers
- Federal tax filers will have their tax information imported into the FTI module – no tax income will transfer into the FAFSA, but tax data will be sent to the colleges listed on the FAFSA

Providing Consent for Data Transfer

To provide consent, the individual will need to access the FAFSA with an FSA ID that has been matched with the Social Security Administration (SSA).

No consent = no federal aid.



BEFORE YOU BEGIN

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT BEFORE YOU APPLY



BEFORE THE FAFSA

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Federal Deadline

- June 30th after the academic period aid is needed

State Deadline

- Varies with each state; Some states require additional forms

School Deadline

- Confirm with the school

Learn More

- studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/fafsa-deadlines

Making Corrections Or Updates

This includes:

- Add or delete schools
- Update financial information
- Correct mistakes

The deadline for corrections or updates is September after the academic period aid is needed.

BEFORE THE FAFSA

CREATE AN ACCOUNT (FSA ID)

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- studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch

About Creating An Account

- All contributors to the FAFSA will need to create an account
 - Students – Parents – Anyone submitting info on the FAFSA
- Authenticated by the SSA – takes 1 -3 business days
- FSA ID does not expire – must be reset if locked or the user forgets the username or password

You will need an FSA ID to:

- Complete and renew the FAFSA
- Complete and electronically sign federal master promissory notes (MPN)
- Access all federal student aid websites
- Federal loan counseling
- Apply for repayment plans

DOCUMENTS THAT YOU WILL NEED

- Social Security Number
- Parents' SSNs for a dependent student
- Child support records
- Cash, savings, and checking account balances
- Investment, business, or farm net worth
- 2023 Completed tax returns

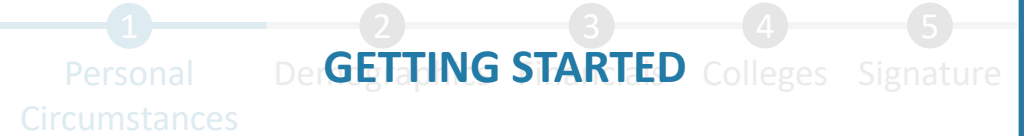


COMPLETING THE FAFSA: STUDENT

WHAT TO EXPECT AS A STUDENT APPLICANT



COMPLETING THE FAFSA



Step 1: Log into the FAFSA application

- Log in using individual FSA ID
- The FSA ID may be created at this point
- All contributors are required to have an individual FSA ID
 - Students
 - Biological or adoptive parent
 - Stepparent
 - Student's spouse
- A contributor is anyone required to provide information and approval to have their federal tax information transferred directly into the FAFSA form.

FAFSA® 2025–26 Coming Soon
The 2025–26 FAFSA Form is currently in its beta testing period. Only a select number of people have been invited to participate in the beta. Full access is coming soon. [Learn more](#)

Federal Student Aid
FAFSA® Form ▾ Loans and Grants ▾ Loan Repayment ▾ Loan Forgiveness ▾

FAFSA® 2025–26 Coming Soon
We're working to launch the new 2025–26 FAFSA form. [Learn more about the new form timeline.](#)

Need the 2024–25 FAFSA form?
[Log In To Start a New Form](#) | [Log In To Edit Existing Forms](#)

Check FAFSA® Deadlines for the State You Live In
School Year: State of Residence: [Find Deadlines](#)
Some states and schools use information from the FAFSA® form to determine your eligibility for their grants, scholarships, and loans. Check your state's deadlines here! [View All FAFSA Deadlines](#)
Missing a state deadline doesn't impact your eligibility for federal student aid.

COMPLETING THE FAFSA: ONBOARDING



Step 2: Onboarding

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FAFSA® Overview

COMPLETING THE FAFSA: STUDENT IDENTITY INFO



Verify Personal Information

- Personal information pulled from existing studentaid.gov account

Updates Needed?

- Update personal information under Account Services on studentaid.gov
- Address may be updated directly within the FAFSA

To update this information for all federal student aid communications, go to [Account Settings](#).

Student Identity Information

Review the information below and verify

Name

Raya A. Tran

Date of Birth

05/05/1995

Social Security Number

•••••-1234

Email Address

rayaatran@gmail.com

Mobile Phone Number

(555) 555-5555

COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PROVIDE CONSENT



- **NEW: Must be signed by all parties (students and parents, if applicable) in order for the FAFSA to be submitted!**
- 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.

Provide Consent or Be Ineligible for Federal Student Aid

Summary

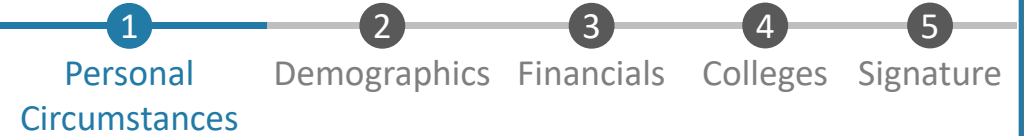
Your consent is needed to retrieve and disclose federal tax information (FTI). With your consent, we can obtain tax return information automatically from the IRS to help you complete the FAFSA[®] form. If you don't provide consent, you will not be eligible for federal student aid, including grants and 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. § 6103(d)(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. 6103(d)(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.

COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES



Step 3: Personal circumstances

This section determines the student's dependency status.

A student's dependency status determines if they need to provide information about their parents or not.

Students will be determined to be one of the following:

- Dependent
- Independent
- Student with Special or Unusual Circumstance

Your Personal Circumstances

Tell us about your marital status; your financial dependencies; your plans for college; and any other special circumstances that may impact your aid eligibility (including if you've been homeless or at risk of becoming so).



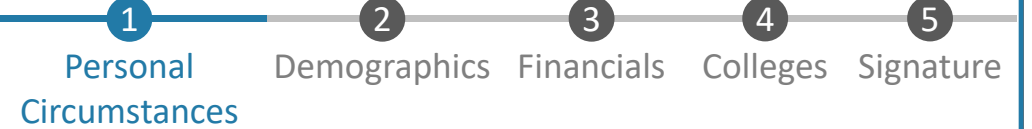
→ This information can affect how much aid you're eligible to receive.

→ Based on your answers, we may need to collect additional information from other people.

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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES



Dependent Student: Parent Information and Invitation

- The student is asked to enter personal information about their parents in order to send them an invite to their FAFSA® form. In this scenario, the student invites one parent.

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1 Personal Circumstances 2 Demographics 3 Financials 4 Colleges 5 Signature

Invite Parents to your FAFSA Form

You will need to provide information for your parents
Based on your answers in the previous section, you'll need to provide information about both of your parents on your FAFSA form. You can invite your family members to your form to help you complete all required sections.

Enter names of parents, identified on the prior page, and we'll send electronic requests on your behalf.

Please make sure to provide information that your parents would use to login to StudentAid.gov.

Parent	Parent Spouse (optional)
First Name Alcina	First Name
Last Name Tran	Last Name
Date of Birth Month Day Year 05 05 1973	Date of Birth Month Day Year

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Tell Us About Your Parents

On the FAFSA form, your "Parent" is your legal (biological or adoptive) parent or stepparent who supports you financially.

Are your parents married to each other?

Yes No

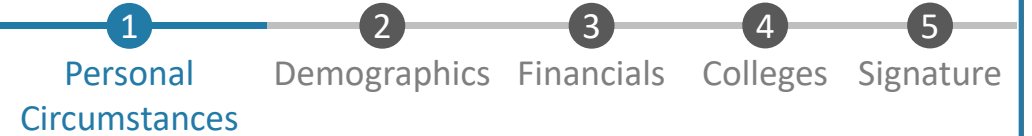
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'Parent' can mean:

- Legal – biological or adoptive
- Divorced – parent who provides most financial support
- Divorced and living together – must include both
- Stepparents are included

COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

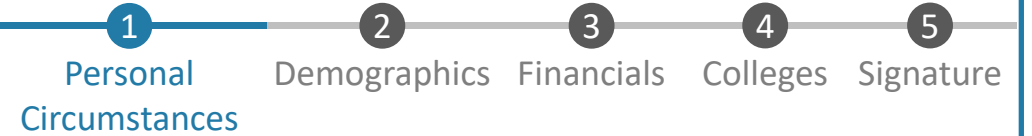


Independent Student

- Based on the answers provided by the student (typically that they are married), they are considered an **Independent Student**.
- The student is not required to provide information about their parents due to this status.

The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2024-25 application interface for Student Raya Tran. The progress bar at the top indicates the current step is 'Personal Circumstances'. Below the progress bar, the section is titled 'Your Dependency Status:'. A light blue box contains an icon of a person and the text: 'Independent Student. Based on your answers, you're a dependent student, you will report your own information (and, if you're married, your spouse's). This information is used to determine how much financial aid you're eligible to receive.' At the bottom of the page, there are 'Previous' and 'Continue' buttons.

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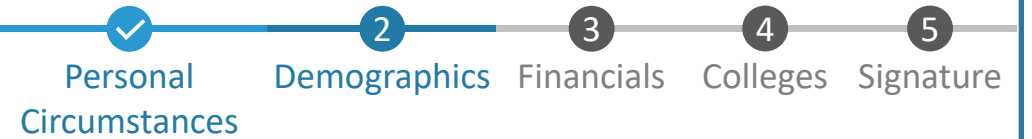


Student with Special or Unusual Circumstances

- Based on the answers provided by the student, they are considered **Provisionally Independent**
- Do not have to provide parent information
- Student may sign and submit FAFSA
- Student receives an estimate of financial aid
- Contact the school for supporting documentation
- School will review and determine dependency override

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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS



Step 4: Demographics

- Race and ethnicity
- Gender
- Citizenship
- Parents education
- Parent killed in active duty
- Students school

Student Demographics

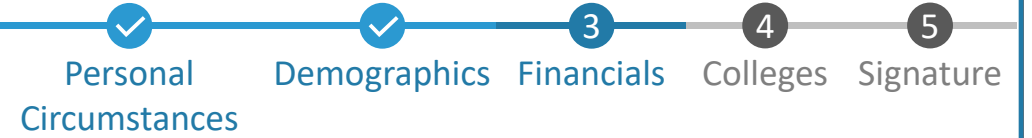
We'll ask questions about you and your parent(s). Some of these questions will help determine how much federal student aid you may be eligible to receive for school.



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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: STUDENT FINANCIALS



Step 5: Financials

- 2023 Tax Return Info
- Assets



Your Finances

The FAFSA form helps schools determine your ability to pay for college without financial aid, so we ask in this section if you receive any federal or state entitlement benefits and if you have any investments, real estates, or other assets.



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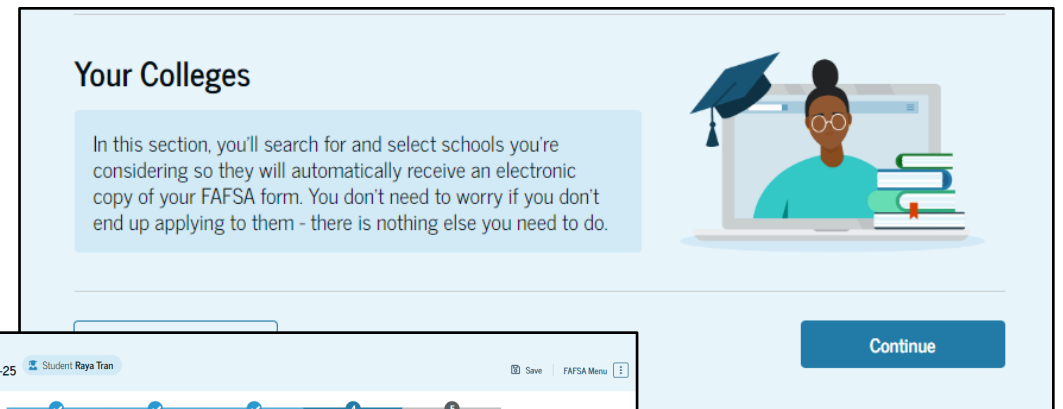
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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: STUDENT SELECTS COLLEGES



Step 6: Colleges

- List up to 20 schools
- Search by city, state, or school name
- Students should list any school they are interested in
- Review school details
- Colleges and career schools
- Schools listed will receive FAFSA information



A screenshot of the FAFSA search interface. At the top, it says 'FAFSA FORM 2024-25' and 'Student Raya Tran'. Below is a progress bar with steps 1-5, where 'Colleges' is the active step. The main heading is 'Where should we send your FAFSA?'. Below that is the instruction: 'Search for the colleges to which you'd like to send your FAFSA information. You can add up to 20 colleges to your FAFSA form.' There is a counter: '0 of 20 Schools Selected' and a 'View Selected Schools' link. Below are search filters: 'Search by School Name' and 'Search by School Code'. There are input fields for 'State' (with 'Calif' entered), 'School Name - optional', and a 'Search' button. At the bottom are 'Previous' and 'Continue' buttons.

COMPLETING THE FAFSA: STUDENT REVIEW PAGE



Step 7: Review what you have entered so far!

FAFSA[®] FORM 2024-25 Student **Rayo Tran** Save FAFSA Menu

Take a moment to review before signing

Expand the sections below to review and edit the information you've entered before you sign your portion of the form.

Student Sections Expand All

- Introduction Personal Identifiers
- Section 1 Personal Circumstances
- Section 2 Demographics
- Section 3 Financials
- Section 4 Colleges
- Section 5 Signature



Parent Contributor Section

This Section is Shared With 2 Contributors

Your FAFSA form is shared with the individuals listed below. You can request, manage, or remove signatures and contributions from this page or in your FAFSA form.

Parent Contributors	Date Request Sent	Status	Edit
Alcina Tran	07/13/2024	Invite Sent	
Travis Tran	07/13/2024	Invite Sent	

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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: STUDENT SIGNATURE



Step 8: Signature

- The student acknowledges the terms and conditions of the FAFSA® form and signs their section.
- After agreeing and signing, the student may submit their section of the FAFSA form.
- If a Dependent Student is applying with a parent, the FAFSA form is not considered complete and can't be processed until the parent portion is also completed, signed, and submitted.

Sign and Complete Your Part

Summary

This page confirms you understand the terms and conditions of the FAFSA form, and that you have filled it out accurately to the best of your ability.

The FAFSA form is a legal document you will electronically sign with your FSA ID. Because this is associated with your personal information, do not share it with anyone.

By signing this application electronically using your username and password, and/or any other credential or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, you certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked to provide

- information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form, and
- U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand that the secretary of education has the authority to verify information reported on your application with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies.

If you sign this application or any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a username and password, and/or any other credential, you certify that you are the person identified by the username and password, and/or any other credential and have not disclosed that username and password, and/or any other credential to anyone else. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined up to \$20,000, sent to prison, or both.

Sign Your FAFSA Form

I, Raya Tran, agree to the terms outlined above



Your FAFSA® Form Still Needs Contributor Information

The contributor(s) you selected will receive an email invitation to join your form every seven days until the application is complete.



COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PARENT

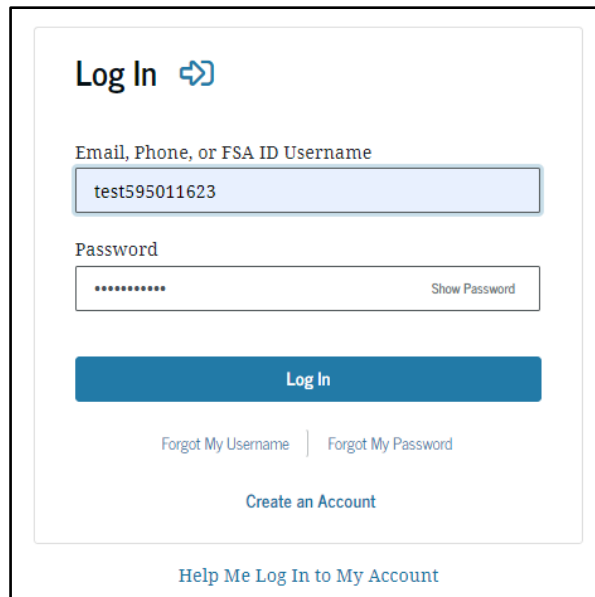
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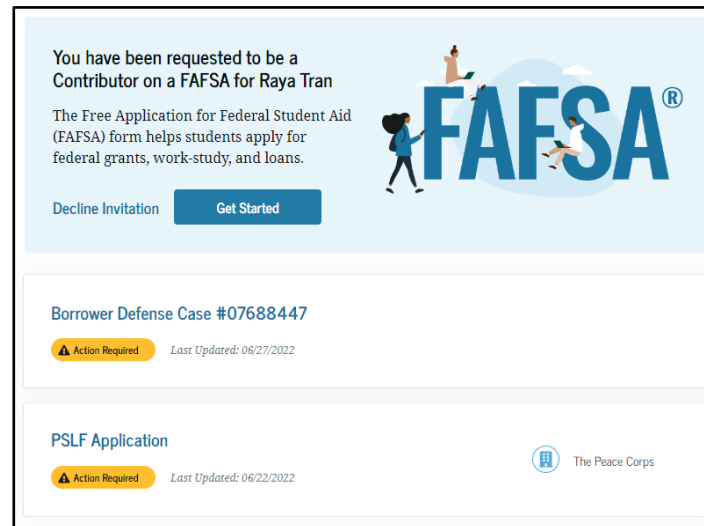
COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PARENT

Step 1: Log into the FAFSA application

To access the FAFSA, all parents are required to have an FSA ID. If the parent doesn't have one, they can select "Create an Account."



The screenshot shows the FAFSA login interface. At the top left, there is a "Log In" button with a right-pointing arrow icon. Below it, there are two input fields: "Email, Phone, or FSA ID Username" containing the text "test595011623" and "Password" with masked characters and a "Show Password" link. A large blue "Log In" button is positioned below the password field. Underneath the login button are two links: "Forgot My Username" and "Forgot My Password". At the bottom of the login area is a link for "Create an Account". Below the entire login section is a link that says "Help Me Log In to My Account".



The screenshot displays the FAFSA activity page. At the top, there is a notification banner for "Raya Tran" with a "Decline Invitation" link and a "Get Started" button. Below this, there are two application cards. The first card is for "Borrower Defense Case #07688447" with a yellow "Action Required" tag and a "Last Updated: 06/27/2022" timestamp. The second card is for "PSLF Application" with a yellow "Action Required" tag, a "Last Updated: 06/22/2022" timestamp, and a logo for "The Peace Corps".

Activity Page

Once logged in, the parent can select the applicable invitation to the application that they want to complete.

Getting Started as a Parent

- Parent receives email invite from student to contribute to an app
- Parent required to have FSA ID to complete FAFSA
- Parent visits activity page once logged in
- Parent sees an invitation to be a contributor

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Parent Identity Information

Review the information below and verify that it

Name

Alcina Tran

Date of Birth

05/05/1973

Social Security Number

•••••-1234

Email Address

alcinatan@scool.edu

Mobile Phone Number

(555) 555-5555

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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PARENT DEMOGRAPHICS

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Demographics

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Step 3: Demographics

- Marital status
- College students in home
- State of legal residency

Demographics About You

We'll ask about your marital status, college students in your household, and legal residence.

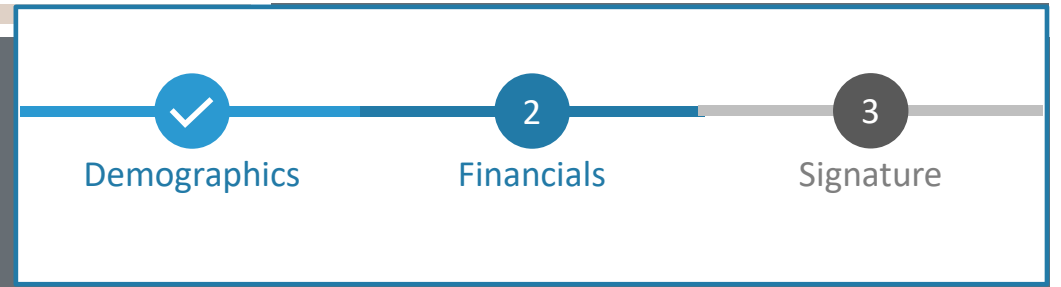
→ This is because most dependent students receive support from their parents, and this affects how much they're able to pay for school.



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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PARENT FINANCIALS



Step 4: Financials

- Federal benefits received
- Tax filing status
- Family size
- Number in college
- Tax return information
- Assets
- Other parent (spouse) information

Your Finances

The FAFSA form helps schools determine the student's ability to pay for college without financial aid, so we ask in this section if you receive any federal or state entitlement benefits and if you have any investments, real estates, or other assets.

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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PARENT REVIEW PAGE




Review Topics:

- Displays parent(s) responses
- Displays student responses
- Parent(s) can view responses by selecting "Expand All"
- To edit a response, the parent can select the question's hyperlink

Take a moment to review before signing


Expand the sections below to review and edit the information you've entered before you sign your portion of the form.



Parent Contributor Sections Expand All

- Introduction Personal Identifiers
- Section 1 Demographics
- Section 2 Financials
- Section 3 Signature

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COMPLETING THE FAFSA: PARENT SIGNATURE



- **Step 5: Signature**
- On this page, the parent acknowledges the terms and conditions of the FAFSA[®] form and signs their section.
- Since all required sections are complete, the parent can both sign and submit the student's FAFSA form.

Sign and Complete Your Section

Summary
This page confirms that you understand the terms and conditions of the FAFSA[®] form and filled out the form accurately to the best of your ability.

The FAFSA form is a legal document you will electronically sign with your account username and password (FSA ID). Because your FSA ID is associated with your personal information, do not share it with anyone.

By signing the student's application electronically using your account username and password, YOU, THE PARENT, certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked, to provide

- information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form, and
- U.S. or foreign income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand the information reported on your tax forms.

If you sign this application or any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a username and password, and/or any other credential, you certify that you are the person identified by the username and password, and/or any other credential and have not disclosed that username and password, and/or any other credential to anyone else. If you purposefully give false or misleading information, including applying as an independent student without meeting the unusual circumstances required to qualify for such a status, you may be subject to criminal penalties under 20 U.S.C. 1097, which may include a fine up to \$20,000, imprisonment, or both.

Sign for yourself and submit the application for Raya Tran (Student).

I, Alcina Tran, agree to the terms outlined above.

COMPLETING THE FAFSA: FAFSA CONFIRMATION

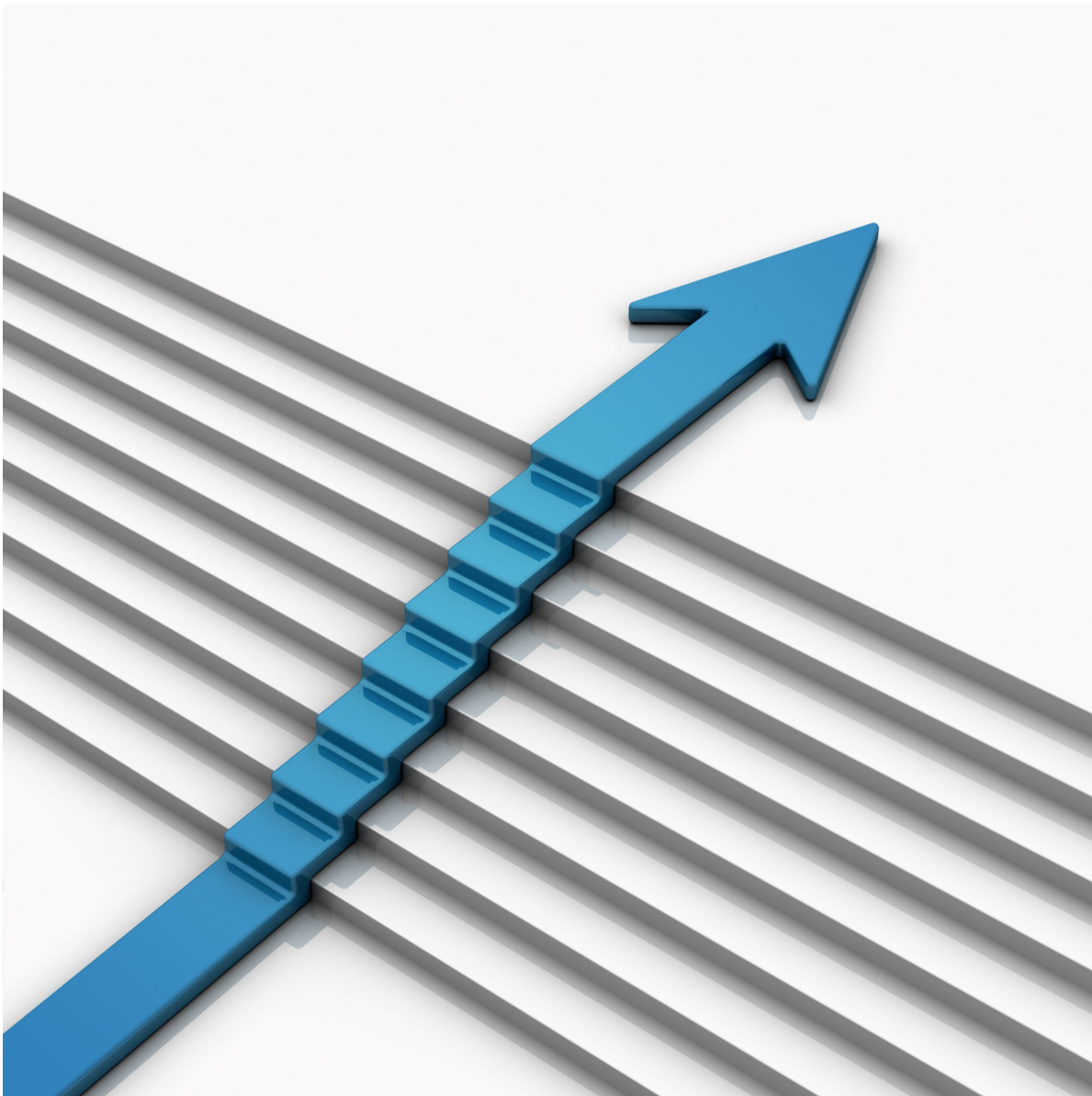


CONGRATULATIONS! YOU DID IT!!

Confirmation page displays:

- Tracking the students FAFSA form
- Next steps
- Student receives an email with the full detailed confirmation
- FAFSA form is now considered complete and submitted for processing.

The screenshot shows the FAFSA confirmation page for the 2024-25 form. The header includes the FAFSA logo, the form year '2024-25', and the user's name 'Parent of Raya Tran'. A blue banner with white text reads 'Congratulations, the FAFSA® Form Is Complete!'. Below this, the student's name 'Raya Tran' and the completion date '10/12/2024' are displayed. The main content area is titled 'What Happens Next' and contains three items: 1. 'Email sent' with a sub-point 'Confirm that the student received an email version of this page.' 2. 'The Student Will Receive Notification of Processing' with a sub-point '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.' 3. 'The Student Will Receive School Communications' with a sub-point '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.' At the bottom, there is a section titled 'Track and Manage the Student's FAFSA® Form' with a 'View Status' button and a paragraph: '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.'



NEXT STEPS

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I COMPLETE THE FAFSA?



NEXT STEPS: FAFSA SUBMISSION SUMMARY

FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE STUDENT AID REPORT (SAR)

- Summary of FAFSA information
- Student Aid Index (SAI)
- Data release number (DRN)
- FAFSA verification
- Make corrections if necessary
- Visit aid summary
- Visit college scorecard

The screenshot shows the FAFSA Submission Summary page. At the top left, there is a '< Back' link. The main heading is 'FAFSA FORM 2024-25 FAFSA Submission Summary'. Below this, a light blue bar contains the student's name 'Raya Tran' and a profile icon. To the right of the name, there are four columns of information: 'Application Received' with the date 'Sept. 10, 2024', 'Application Processed' with the date 'Sept. 12, 2024', and 'Data Release Number' with the value '2572'. At the bottom of the page, there is a navigation bar with four items: 'Eligibility Overview', 'FAFSA Form Answers', 'School Information', and 'Next Steps'. The 'Next Steps' item is highlighted with a red circle and a red dot.

What Happens Next?

Student receives a link to their **FAFSA Submission Summary** via email. This includes:

- Eligibility overview
- FAFSA form answers
- School information
- Next steps



FAFSA TIPS

REMINDERS TO HELP YOU COMPLETE THE FAFSA



FAFSA TIPS

Complete the FAFSA each
year enrolled in college
Schedule FAFSA time

Understand deadlines
and apply early

Create an account at
studentaid.gov
FSA ID

[Help Center |
Federal Student Aid](#)

Review FAFSA Submission
Summary:
Make corrections
FAFSA verification

Tax info: All contributors
must provide consent and
approval on the FAFSA
form

Follow-up with all
communication from the
Department of Education
and Schools

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!

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