

## Ready to complete your 2020-2021 FAFSA [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)?

### Here's what you will need\*:

- Your FSA ID (username or verified email and password)
  - *Don't remember your FSA ID? Need to create one? Go to [fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov) to recover your username and/or password, or to create an FSA ID.*
- Your **2018** tax return and income information (including untaxed income)
  - *Didn't file taxes in 2018? If you worked in 2018, you will need to bring a copy of your W2(s) that were issued to you by your employer.*
- Your asset information (checking and savings accounts, investment net worth and business or investment farm net worth)
  - *If you own your own business, but have less than 100 employees, you do not have to report your business assets on the FAFSA.*

### Does the Department of Education consider you a dependent student?

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| Born before January 1, 1997?  | <b>YES</b> | or | <b>NO</b> |
| As of today, are you married?   | <b>YES</b> | or | <b>NO</b> |
| Do you or will you have children or other dependents who will receive <b>more than half of their support</b> from you during the school year (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021)?   | <b>YES</b> | or | <b>NO</b> |
| Have you served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training?   | <b>YES</b> | or | <b>NO</b> |
| Do you have extenuating circumstances, such as being in foster care after turning 13, being a ward/dependent of the court or being in a court-appointed legal guardianship, where you are unable to obtain parent information?* | <b>YES</b> | or | <b>NO</b> |

If you answered **NO** to all of the questions above, you will need to provide your parents information on your FAFSA.

### Here's what you will need **for your parent(s)**\*:

- General information (full name, Social Security number, date of birth, etc.)
  - *These questions are referring to your biological or adoptive parent(s). If your biological or adoptive parents are separated/divorced, you will only need to include information for the parent with whom you live or lived with, or who provides the most support. If that parent has remarried, you will need to include their spouse's information.*
- Your parent's FSA ID (username or verified email and password)
  - *Don't remember your FSA ID? Need to create one? Go to [fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov) to recover their username and/or password, or to create an FSA ID. Only one parent will need to have an FSA ID to sign your FAFSA.*
- 2018** tax return and income information (including untaxed income)
  - *Didn't file taxes in 2018? If your parent(s) worked in 2018, you will need to bring a copy of their W2(s) that were issued by their employer.*
- Asset information (checking and savings accounts, investment net worth and business or investment farm net worth)
  - *If your parent(s) own a business, but have less than 100 employees, you do not have to report their business assets on the FAFSA.*

Once you have everything that you need, go to [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) to complete your 2020-2021 FAFSA! Try to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) to import yours and/or your parent's 2018 tax information from the IRS into your FAFSA (if tax returns were filed). Using the DRT will reduce the likelihood of your FAFSA being selected for a process called verification. Have your FAFSA sent to NMJC using the **school code 002655**.

\* For special circumstances, additional information may be required.

\*\* If you have questions regarding your dependency status, please contact Financial Aid.