

Create your Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID

Go to [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) and click **“Create account”** then **“Get Started”**.

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Enter your **Name**, **Date of birth**, and **Social Security Number**.

Username - Choose something you will remember and hasn't already been taken.

Note: You will see a message that says “Username Available” or “Username Taken” once you meet the minimum field requirements.

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Email: Must be personal and unique to the individual requesting the ID.

Password - Choose something you will remember that meets the password criteria and minimum field requirements.

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

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Mailing Address, City, State, and Zip Code

Mobile Phone - Must be personal and unique to the individual requesting the ID.

Note: Make sure to check the box which allows you to use your mobile phone for account recovery.

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Communication Preferences

- **Required Communications** - Email (Automatically selected) **Recommended**
- **Informal Communications** - Optional (You may leave both boxes unchecked)

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

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Challenge Questions - You must select and answer all four questions.

- Your answers must be between 3 and 55 characters.
- Answers are not case sensitive.
- Letters, numbers, and spaces are the only allowed characters.

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Review ALL information and click on the check box, agreeing to the terms and conditions.

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Account Recovery:

Click on “Verify My Mobile Phone Number”

- You will receive a 6-digit code via text.
- Enter the secure code in the box provided.

Click on “Verify My Email Address”

- You will receive a 6-digit code via email.
- Subject Line - “Important: Your FSA ID E-mail Validation - Action Required”
- Enter the secure 6-digit code in the box provided back on the FSA ID screen.

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

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You have created your **FSA ID!**

You may now return to studentaid.gov and click **“Log In”** to sign in using the username and password you created.