UTAH FAFSA COMPLETION OPEN HOUSE EVENT

SITE COORDINATOR MANUAL

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Utah Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Completion Open House Event

The goal of the Utah Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Completion Open House Event is to provide high school seniors with a safe space to receive free assistance filing the FAFSA application. Special focus is placed on students who will be the first in their families to attend college, on low-income students, and on students who may not have otherwise thought they could afford to attend college.

The design of the FAFSA Completion Open House Event is to allow parents/guardians and students an opportunity to work on the FAFSA during a time that is convenient for all parties. The term “FAFSA Night” is often used because these events typically take place in the evening, which can be an ideal time for parents/guardians to attend outside of work hours or other obligations. However, these events are not limited to the evening and should be conducted when most appropriate for the school and its attendees.

This manual features tools, resources, and information for hosting a FAFSA event. We hope you find it a useful guide as you implement strategies to achieve increased college affordability in your school. This manual is intended for high school FAFSA site coordinators (typically school counselors or advisors) to use in planning and implementing FAFSA events at their school. We have included strategies, flyers, documents, and other ideas that you can easily update or copy for your school event.

For any questions regarding the information included in this document or completing the FAFSA, please contact the FAFSA State Coordinator, Dyllen Cafferty, at dyllen.cafferty@ushe.edu or fafsahelp@ushe.edu.

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Section 1: Introduction

Welcome FAFSA Site Coordinators!

The purpose of this manual is to give you the tools you will need to successfully prepare and execute a FAFSA Completion Open House. We have prepared instructions, handouts, and other resources to aid in your event. Even if this is your first time conducting an event, or if you are well experienced in hosting FAFSA events, there are plenty of resources to pull out of this manual. In addition, there is no perfect model for conducting a FAFSA event, and each school has a different culture to how their event is administered. The only goal we have, as stated earlier, is "to provide high school seniors with a safe space to receive free assistance filing the FAFSA application." Although the standard is to host one FAFSA event for each school during the school year, we encourage you to host as many as you feel is needed at your school. We wish you the best as you assist your students in gaining access to financial aid!

In connection with Utah FAFSA Completion Open Houses, most Utah high schools are conducting Utah College Application Week (UCAW) with their FAFSA event. Although this is not a requirement, UCAW is a great resource to aid students in obtaining access to higher education. If your school is not hosting UCAW but is interested in learning more, please email fafsahelp@ushe.edu.

Section 2:

Site Coordinator Planning

FAFSA Completion Open House Event Checklist

This checklist outlines the necessary steps to ensure a successful FAFSA Completion Open House.

Up to Several Months Prior

- ☐ Confirm FAFSA Completion Open House with Utah System of Higher Ed. (USHE)
- ☐ Reserve computer lab
- ☐ List events on all internal school calendars

One Month Prior

- ☐ Post notice of event on all public-facing school websites and calendars
- ☐ Post notice of event on district website and calendar
- ☐ Hang up flyers around your school
- ☐ If possible, ask teachers who teach seniors to hang up flyers in classrooms
- ☐ If possible, coordinate with teachers to offer extra credit points for attending the event
- ☐ If possible, arrange for make-up citizenship/attendance points for attending the event
- ☐ Confirm that the technology is available and working for the event:
    - ☐ Computers
    - ☐ **Guest logins for parents attending without students.**
    - ☐ Access to the necessary websites is enabled for students and guests. Check to make sure your school's network can load: fafsa.gov, studentaid.gov, irs.gov, gmail.com, hotmail.com, aol.com, yahoo.com (so students and parents can access FSA ID setup info from their email)
- ☐ Confirm that there is no scheduled school or district I.T. maintenance occurring during the time of the FAFSA Completion Open House
- ☐ Include notice of the USHE FAFSA scholarship on your school's scholarship board/newsletter/website
- ☐ If possible, coordinate with the school's student council/Student Body Officers to help with advertising and assisting at the event (e.g., ushering people in, distributing materials, ensuring signs are posted, etc.)

Three Weeks Prior

- ☐ Include the event in any newsletters or communication to parents of seniors
- ☐ Send one email, text message, or phone call to parents of seniors about the event
- ☐ Coordinate to ensure that at least one counselor, access adviser, or another educator on your staff who has attended a FAFSA Boot Camp will be present at the event for the duration of the event.

Two Weeks Prior

- ☐ Send another email, text message, or phone call to parents of seniors about the event
- ☐ Make posts about the event on your school or district social media
- ☐ If possible, remind teachers about the event and coordinate extra credit

One Week Prior

- ☐ Send parents the "What You Need to File the FAFSA" flyer located on page 21.
- ☐ Make posts about the event on your school or district social media
- ☐ If possible, remind teachers who teach seniors about the event and coordinate extra credit opportunities
- ☐ Include the event in your school announcements during the school day
- ☐ Confirm that student council/SBOs will help with advertising & assisting at the event (e.g., ushering people in, distributing materials, ensuring signs are posted, etc.)
- ☐ Post the event to the school's electronic or static marquee
- ☐ Confirm that the entrances to the school and computer lab will be unlocked
- ☐ Send one more email, text message, or phone call to parents of seniors about the event
- ☐ Make another post on school and/or district social media about the event
- ☐ Confirm that the lab will be available one hour before the beginning of the event for setting up (making sure that other classes, adult ed., or any scheduled maintenance will be over before the FAFSA event begins)
- ☐ Print copies of "FAFSA Night in 3 Easy Steps" and other handouts in section 4 so that you can distribute copies to families who attend your event.

Day Before

- ☐ Confirm the lab will be ready for setup one hour before the beginning of the event
- ☐ Confirm the technology is available and working (computers, **guest logins**, internet access, printer access, etc.)
- ☐ Double-check that at least one counselor, access advisor, or another educator will be present at the event for the duration of the event
- ☐ Print out a sign-in sheet to document who came and who to follow up with. We've created one for you on page 15 of this document.
- ☐ If you didn't print copies of the handouts last week, then make sure you have those prepared and printed for tomorrow

Day of the Event

- ☐ Be at the school at least one hour before the event to ensure doors are unlocked, and the computer lab is accessible
- ☐ Put instruction sheets in the front area so that parents and students have access to them when they enter
- ☐ Post clear signs through the school directing people to the computer lab
- ☐ Ensure that front doors to the school are unlocked so students/parents can get in

Promoting Your FAFSA Completion Open House

Use the customizable 8.5 x 11" flyer on the next page to hang around your school and in communities. You can open and edit this file with a PDF editor if you do not wish to hand-write in your school's event.

We encourage you to use your school's student communication resources to achieve maximum attendance at your event. We have put together some sample messages that you can use to promote at your school using auto-dialers, email, text messages, and more.

Sample Phone Script: Seniors and parents/guardians of seniors, ________ High School is hosting a FAFSA Completion Open House for you to get expert help completing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Please join us on [date] from [start time] to [end time], and you'll be eligible to apply for a FAFSA Completion Open House Scholarship drawing. We'd love to see you there!

Sample Email Message: Seniors and parents/guardians of seniors, ________ High School is hosting a FAFSA Completion Open House for you to get expert help completing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Please join us on [date] from [start time] to [end time], and you'll be eligible to apply for a FAFSA Completion Open House Scholarship drawing. We'd love to see you there!

Sample Text Message: Filing the FAFSA is an important part of your senior year. Get free expert help at _______ High School's FAFSA Completion Open House on [date] from [start time] to [end time].

Sample Twitter: Seniors! Need help with your FAFSA? Get free, expert help at your school anytime between [start time] and [end time] on [date] in [room number].

Sample Facebook post: Seniors! Filing the FAFSA is an important part of preparing for college. Get free, expert help at _____'s FAFSA Completion Open House anytime between [start time] and [end time] on [date] in [room number].

Student Information System: Seniors! Our school's free FAFSA Completion Open House is tomorrow! Filing the FAFSA is an important step in your senior year. Get free, expert help from [start time] to end [time] on [date] in [room number].

NEED MONEY FOR COLLEGE?

Seniors! Join us and get access to financial aid, which may open doors to paying for college!

WE'LL HELP YOU FILE YOUR FAFSA!

(Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

Get FREE help from financial aid experts! Filing the FAFSA helps you receive federal, state, and institutional financial aid and may be required for some scholarships. You may qualify for money such as Grants, Work-Study, & Federal Student Loans.

Where? ______________________________

When? ______________________________

Students who attend & complete a survey will be entered into a $500 FAFSA Scholarship drawing.

College Deadlines

College Name	Admissions Deadline:	Submit FAFSA By:	Scholarship Application By:
Bridgerland Technical College ***btech.edu/students/financial-aid*** ***435.213.1895***	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND
Brigham Young University ***enrollment.byu.edu/financial-aid801.422.4104***	Priority: NOV 1, 2022 Final: DEC 15, 2022	JAN 20, 2023	DEC 15, 2022
Davis Technical College ***davistech.edu/financial-aid*** ***801.593.2195***	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND (FAFSA Required)
Dixie Technical College ***dixietech.edu/apply-for-financial-aid/435.674.8400***	YEAR-ROUND	Varies by program	YEAR-ROUND
Ensign College ***ensign.edu/financial-aid*** ***801.524.8111***	SEP 1, 2023	AUG 1, 2023	YEAR-ROUND
Mountainland Technical College ***mtec.edu/financial-aid*** ***801.753.4105***	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND	CTE Scholarship: JAN 28, 2023
Ogden-Weber Technical College ***otech.edu/future-students/financial-aid*** ***801.627.8327***	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND
Salt Lake Community College ***slcc.edu/financialaid*** ***801.957.4410***	AUG 17, 2023	Fall Priority: APR 15, 2023	FEB 1, 2023
Snow College ***snow.edu/offices/finaid/*** ***435.283.7129***	AUG 1, 2023	JUNE 1, 2023	MAR 1, 2023
Southern Utah University ***suu.edu/finaid*** ***435.586.7700***	AUG 31, 2023	MAY 1, 2023	Resident: MAR 1, 2023 Non-resident: 1st day of class
Southwest Technical College ***stech.edu/admissions/financial*** ***435.586.2899***	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND
Tooele Technical College ***tooeletech.edu/future-students/financial-information/financial-assistance/*** ***435.248.1847***	YEAR-ROUND	Varies by program	YEAR-ROUND
Uintah Basin Technical College ***ubtech.edu/admissions/scholarships-financial-aid*** ***435.722.6953***	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND
University of Utah ***financialaid.utah.edu*** ***801.581.6211***	Early Action: DEC 1, 2022 Final: APR 1, 2023	FEB 1, 2023	DEC 1, 2022
Utah State University ***usu.edu/financial-support/*** ***435.797.0173***	Priority: MAR 1, 2023 Final: AUG 1, 2023	FEB 1, 2023	Priority: DEC 1, 2022
Utah State University Eastern ***usu.edu/financial-support/*** ***435.797.0173***	SEP 1, 2023	FEB 1, 2023	Priority: JUL 1, 2023
Utah State University Statewide Campuses ***usu.edu/financial-support/*** ***435.797.0173***	Priority: MAR 1, 2023 Final: AUG 1, 2023	FEB 1, 2023	Priority: DEC 1, 2022
Utah Tech University ***financialaid.utahtech.edu*** ***435.652.7575***	YEAR-ROUND	MAR 1, 2023	MAR 1, 2023
Utah Valley University ***uvu.edu/financialaid/*** ***801.863.8888***	AUG 1, 2023	YEAR-ROUND	MAR 1, 2023
Weber State University ***weber.edu/financialaid*** ***801.626.7569***	YEAR-ROUND	APR 1, 2023	Priority: DEC 1, 2022
Westminster College ***westminstercollege.edu/paying-for-college/financial-aid/*** ***801.832.2500***	Early Action: DEC 1, 2022 Regular: FEB 1, 2023	YEAR-ROUND	YEAR-ROUND

Online FAFSA Resources

FSA Eligibility for Non-U.S. Citizens:
studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility/requirements/non-us-citizens

FSA Financial Aid and Undocumented Students Q&A:
studentaid.gov/sites/default/files/financial-aid-and-undocumented-students.pdf

FAFSA Walkthrough Videos: Utah College Awareness & Financial Aid YouTube

Financial Aid Webinars: Utah College Awareness & Financial Aid YouTube Playlist: Webinars for Counselors & Educators

Section 3:

During Your Event

FAFSA Night

Attendance Sheet

Student's First and Last Name	Contact for Follow Up (email/phone #)	Did you finish your FAFSA tonight?
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No

FAFSA Night Best Practices for In-Person Volunteers

On behalf of the Access Staff at the Utah System of Higher Education (USHE), thank you for agreeing to help with this school year's USHE-sponsored FAFSA Nights.

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is an important step on the journey into postsecondary education, but it can often create confusion and anxiety for students and their families. We want you to have a fun and rewarding experience at your FAFSA Night, so we're offering a few tips for making your interactions as successful and comfortable as

- **Business or business casual attire is preferred. If your employer provides you with a professional name tag, or if you have a professional lanyard, we encourage you to wear them.**
- **Please arrive before the event's scheduled start time (we recommend about 15 minutes).**
- **Always ask permission before looking at an individual's demographic or tax information.**
- **Please serve as a neutral assistant for FAFSA completion - please do not dissuade a student from listing any particular not-for-profit college or university on their FAFSA**
- **Please provide guidance only as it pertains directly to the FAFSA; do not provide legal advice regarding immigration processes or tax filing.**
- **When discussing potentially sensitive FAFSA topics, such as immigration status or financial hardship, always be conscientious of your surroundings. You may want to consider asking the person to step outside the room to discuss their situation in private, but attempt to do so in a way that doesn't draw an overt amount of attention.**
- **If applicable, please be courteous of the COVID procedures at the schools you attend (face masks and social distancing). Bring and wear a face mask if the school requests for you to do so. Maybe even contact them beforehand to see what they would prefer.**

Thank you for your assistance!

If you have questions, please contact the FAFSA State Coordinator:

fafsahelp@ushe.edu / 801-366-8487

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How do FAFSA Night Virtual Volunteers Work?

- Each volunteer has their own Zoom meeting link (which can be found in the FAFSA Night Outlook calendar event shared with you from fafsahelp@ushe.edu)
- Virtual volunteers will be ready to assist students on the computer as if they were there in person.

RECOMMENDED WAY TO CONNECT TO VOLUNTEER

Set up separate workstations for each virtual volunteer.

- On a portable LAPTOP or TABLET, open a web browser and visit **Zoom.us**
- Choose "**Join a Meeting"** (near top of page)
- When prompted, enter the **meeting ID, or copy and paste the Zoom link into a web browser**
- For security purposes, **please keep the computer or device in a public area when the video feed is on** or **if your computer is in a separate room please turn off your video feed**. Please instruct those using the virtual volunteer to not share their screen. However, the volunteer can share their own video feed and screen to provide visual aids or instructions.
- **Walk the laptop or tablet over to students as needed or instruct students to visit the computer to ask questions if device is not mobile.** The virtual volunteer should be ready to answer questions in either situation. It will be almost as if they are there in-person!
- If you have **more than one virtual volunteer, repeat these steps** with a new laptop or tablet for each new virtual volunteer.

Thank you for your flexibility. If you have questions, please contact USHE Access Team:

fafsahelp@ushe.edu / 801.646.4562

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Common FAFSA Night Issues and How to Handle Them

We've listed some common issues from our experience holding FAFSA Completion Open Houses around the state. We hope they don't all happen to you in one night, but just in case, here's a list to help you prepare.

You can expect:

Sensitive situations: With the combination of college stress, financial information, possible undocumented parents/students, and other such sensitive issues, people may experience a range of emotions. Be ready to handle some potentially sensitive situations.

Tips for Handling Sensitive Situations:

- As a best practice, have a separate room available to consult families one-on-one if needed.
- Pay attention to the tone and volume of your voice when talking with families about sensitive situations.
- Always ask permission before touching or viewing documents or asking for details about any personal or financial information.

FSA ID problems: Mismatches in personal identification data are the biggest culprit for FSA ID issues; this might include things such as a mistyped birthdate or the use of a preferred name instead of a full legal first name. The student needs to create their own FSA ID, and the parent needs to create their own, FSA ID. It's important that the Social Security Number, name, and date of birth are exactly the same on the FSA ID and on the FAFSA! Be sure to have the student and parents use a permanent email address and register their mobile phone for password recovery. If online troubleshooting is unsuccessful, call Federal Student Aid for assistance **(1-800-433-3243).**

Computer problems: It might be a good idea to have someone from your IT department on-site or on call.

People missing documents: Someone brought in the wrong taxes, didn't bring in taxes, doesn't know their Social Security Number, doesn't have certain financial documentation, and/or doesn't have their parental information.

People using the wrong website: If you see that a student is using any website other than studentaid.gov, make sure you stop them as soon as you catch it and have them file at the correct website (studentaid.gov).

People filing for the wrong application year: If a student is starting college in fall 2023, they will need to complete the 2023-24 FAFSA. However, if a student wants to attend college during the spring or summer of 2023, they may need to fill out the 2022-23 FAFSA (for spring and summer aid) and the 2023-24 FAFSA (for the entire 2023-24 academic year).

Common FAFSA Night Issues Continued…

Misinformation: A lot of people are eager to help at a FAFSA Completion Open House but may not be properly trained to do so. Keep your ears open for incorrect advice being given to parents and students. If you're unsure, don't feel afraid to ask financial aid representatives for clarification. If you need any clarification please call the FAFSA Coordinator at 801-646-4562. If they don't answer immediately leave a voicemail.

Sophomores and Juniors: The FAFSA is for students who will be attending college (**NOT** for AP classes or Concurrent Enrollment) within the next financial aid year. Only **seniors** should attend FAFSA nights.

Answering the Common Question: "Why Should I File the FAFSA?"

Here are some tips for answering the common question from students and parents: "Why should I file the FAFSA?" Being able to effectively inform students about the benefits of filing the FAFSA can help them make the final decision on what is best for them.

It's a gateway to ALL federal and most state financial aid resources, some institutional and private aid/scholarships.
This includes Pell grants, work-study programs, federal student loans, and many state grants and scholarships. Some institutional aid/scholarships and private scholarships may require the FAFSA to be completed as well.

What if the student has a full-ride scholarship or savings prepared to pay for college?
Filing the FAFSA is a good backup plan to cover unexpected expenses. Many scholarships, including the Utah Opportunity Scholarship, require students to file the FAFSA if they are eligible to do so as part of the application process. Please note undocumented students can still apply for the Utah Opportunity Scholarship even if they are not eligible to complete a FAFSA.

Students never know what financial aid they might end up getting!
Many students file the FAFSA and are surprised to find they qualify for a grant, work-study, or a need-based scholarship.

It's not as difficult as many students may think.
Students can access the FAFSA at fafsa.gov or studentaid.gov. The FAFSA provides tooltips in every section, as well as online chat, phone help, and a frequently asked questions section. Students can also attend a USHE-sponsored FAFSA Completion Open House or get help from a school counselor, college advisor, or FAFSA coordinator. Let students know that it is easy to contact the financial aid office at the college or university they may want to attend and that they should ask for school-specific financial aid information.

Students aren't required to accept loans.
The FAFSA is just an application; students can always decline any aid they are offered (such as federal student loans).

There's no reason not to file the FAFSA every year they're in college… It's FREE!

FAFSA Encouragement Strategies

Ways to alleviate parent & student concerns about the FAFSA

Concern: "I am undocumented."

Solution: Explain that parents' immigration status has no bearing on a US citizen student's eligibility for Title IV aid. The Department of Education does not share information with immigration entities.

Concern: "We make too much money."

Solution: Clarify that the FAFSA is not just for need-based federal aid. The FAFSA Is a requirement for an increasing number of state, institutional, and private forms of aid.

Concern: "The application is too difficult."

Solution: Offer to set up an appointment to assist them with the FAFSA, or introduce them to resources, such as your school's FAFSA Night.

Concern: "I don't want to share my private information."

Solution: Remind the parent that the federal government already has access to most of the information the FAFSA asks for (like Social Security numbers) and that the FAFSA form uses federally-approved encryption.

Concern: "My parents don't want to be responsible for my debt."

Solution: Clarify that the FAFSA asks for parent information only to assess financial need. Federal student loans don't have cosigners.

Concern: "I already have a full-ride scholarship."

Solution: Encourage the student to utilize all forms of free aid available to them; federal student aid may help cover factors in the cost of college attendance that their scholarship may not cover, such as transportation.

Concern: "I don't want to take on debt."

Solution: Explain that the FAFSA is just an application; the student does not have to take out federal student loans if they don't want or need to.

Concern: "My parents aren't part of my life."

Solution: Ask questions to see if the student might fit the FAFSA's definition of an "independent student", or if they might be able to appeal their dependency status at the financial aid office.

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Section 4:
Event Handouts for Students and Families

What You'll Need to Complete the 2023-2024 FAFSA

Before you apply for financial aid:

- Create one FSA ID (aka the FAFSA username and password) for you, the student, and one FSA ID for your parent* studentaid.gov/fsa-id/
  If your parent(s)* ***does not have a Social Security Number they cannot create an FSA ID,* *you may still be able to file your FAFSA but there will be some differences. Talk with your school counselor or college adviser for more information.*
  If your parent* ***already has an FSA ID**, they will need to use or recover that account. They will not be able to create a new account since the FSA ID is tied to their Social Security Number.*

Students and parent(s) need to gather these items:

- Social Security cards for both student and parent(s)
  - If the parent(s) does not have one, type 000-00-0000 for the SSN
  - If the student doesn't have one, you will be unable to file the FAFSA. Please ask a school counselor or college adviser about other ways to pay for college, scholarship opportunities, and HB 144.
- 2021 W-2 forms and other records of taxed income** for both student and parent(s)
- 2021 Federal Income Tax Return*** for both student and parent(s)
- Current bank statements for both student and parent(s)
- 2021 untaxed income records for both student and parent(s)
- Current information pertaining to businesses and investments, including documentation outlining the value of businesses or farms, stocks, bonds, 529 or Coverdell college savings plans, cryptocurrency, mortgage information about any properties OTHER THAN a primary residence, or other investment records**** for both student and parent(s)
- If applicable, student's I-94 paperwork or Permanent Resident Card (typically this applies to refugee or asylee students)
- If applicable, student's driver's license

Now it is time to apply for financial aid at fafsa.gov.

*** If you were gainfully employed.*
**** If you filed an income tax return. IRS 1040, Foreign Tax Return, or Tax Return from Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, or Palau.*
*****Stocks, bonds, and other investments designated for retirement (such as those found in a 401(k) or IRA) are not reported on the FAFSA. The value of your primary residence is not reported on the FAFSA. The value of a business with fewer than 100 FTE employees is not reported on the FAFSA.*

THAT'S NOT ALL: The college still has to process your aid and costs and will provide an offer letter to you. Follow up with your school counselor or college adviser and your college's financial aid office for any additional steps that may be required.

Lo que necesitarás para completar la FAFSA 2023-2024

Antes de solicitar la ayuda financiera:

- Asegúrate de que tú y un padre* crean las identificaciones de Ayuda Federal para Estudiantes (FSA ID) en studentaid.gov/fsa-id/
  ** Si sus padres* ***no tienen un número de seguro social, no pueden crear un FSA ID****, si es posible que aún pueda presentar la FAFSA, pero habrá algunas diferencias. Habla con tu consejero escolar o asesor universitario para obtener más información.*
  Si tus padres* ***ya tienen un FSA ID*, deberán usar o [recuperar]() esa cuenta. No podrán crear una nueva cuenta ya que la FSA ID está vinculada a su Numero de Seguro Social.*

Los estudiantes y los padres van a necesitar la siguiente información:

- La tarjeta de seguro social del estudiante y los padres (o los numeros)
  - Si los padres no tienen, simplemente escriba 000-00-0000 para el SSN
  - Si el estudiante no tiene uno, no podrá presentar la FAFSA. Hable con un consejero escolar o asesor universitario sobre otras formas de pagar los gastos de la universidad, oportunidades de becas, y HB 144.
- Los formularios W-2 y otros registros de ingresos gravados del 2021 del estudiante y los padres**
- La Declaración de Impuestos Federales del 2021 del estudiante y los padres***
- Las declaraciones bancarias actuales del estudiante y los padres
- La documentación de los ingresos no gravados del 2021 del estudiante y los padres
- Información actual relacionada con negocios e inversiones, incluyendo documentación que describa el valor de negocios o granjas, acciones, bonos, planes de ahorro para la universidad 529 o Coverdell, criptomonedas, información hipotecaria sobre cualquier propiedad QUE NO sea una residencia principal u otros registros de inversión**** tanto para el estudiante como para los padres
- Si corresponde, la tarjeta de residencia permanente o la documentación del I-94 del estudiante. (Por lo general, esto aplicaría a los estudiantes refuglados o asilados).
- Si corresponde, la licencia de conducir del estudiante

Ahora es el momento de presentar la solicitud: fafsa.gov

***En caso de que tengas un trabajo remunerado.*
**** Si presentaste una declaración de impuestos sobre la renta. IRS 1040, declaración de impuestos del extranjero, o declaración de impuestos de Puerto Rico, Guam, Samoa Americana, las Islas Vírgenes de EE. UU., las Islas Marshall, los Estados Federados de Micronesia o Palaos.*
***** Las acciones, bonos y otras inversiones designadas para la jubilación (tales como las que se encuentran en un 401(K) o IRA [cuentas de retiro individual]) no se informan en la FAFSA. El valor de las empresas con menos de 100 empleados a tiempo complete tampoco se informa en la FAFSA, ni tampoco el valor de su residencia principal.*

¡ESO NO ES TODO! La universidad todavía tiene que procesar su ayuda y costos y te proporcionará una carta de oferta. Realiza un seguimiento con tu consejero escolar o asesor Universitario, y la oficina de ayuda financiera de tu universidad para conocer los pasos adicionales que se requieren.

FAFSA Night

Just 3 Steps for Students & Parents

1. Create one FSA ID (aka FAFSA username and password) for student and one FSA ID for parent* at **studentaid.gov/fsa-id**

2. Fill out the 2023-24 FAFSA on **fafsa.gov**

3. Fill out the FAFSA Scholarship survey for a chance to win a $500 scholarship** use the QR Code or link below.
https://utah.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6mVimrVelc0fdci

Questions? Contact the Utah System of Higher Education Access Team:

fafsahelp@ushe.edu / 801-646-4562

*An individual without a Social Security Number will not be able to create an FSA ID. Parents without an SSN can refer to additional information and instructions at https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out

**Scholarship provided by the Utah System of Higher Education (USHE)

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FAFSA Night

Solo 3 pasos para estudiantes y padres

1. Cree un ID de FSA (también conocida como nombre de usuario y contraseña de FAFSA) para el estudiante y una ID de FSA para los padres* en **studentaid.gov/fsa-id**

2. Complete la FAFSA 2023-24 en **fafsa.gov**

3. Complete la encuesta de la FAFSA Scholarship para tener la oportunidad de ganar una beca $500** use el código QR o el enlace a continuación.
https://utah.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6mVimrVelc0fdci

¿Preguntas? Comuníquese con el Equipo de Acceso al Sistema de Educación Superior de Utah:

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*Un individuo sin un número de Seguro Social no podrá crear una ID FSA. Los padres sin un SSN pueden referirse a información adicional e instrucciones en https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out

**Becas proporcionadas por el Sistema de Educación Superior de Utah (USHE)

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FAFSA Night Survey Code

Create Your FSA ID

Go to: studentaid.gov/fsa-id

6 steps to create your FAFSA legal signature

1 Create FSA ID

In the search bar lookup FSA ID. Begin by creating your username and password. Make sure you remember these because you will use them **every year** you need aid for college. DO NOT CREATE AN FSA ID FOR ANYONE OTHER THAN YOURSELF.*

2 Personal Identity Info

Now, fill in the required information: first name, middle initial, last name, DOB, & Social Security Number (SSN). Make sure this information matches your Social Security Card.

3 Profile Info

You will now create your username & password, insert your email address (use a non-school-based email), mailing address, and phone number. Your email and phone number cannot be reused on another account.

4 Challenge Questions

Then you will pick 4 challenge questions and create answers for each of them. Choose questions you can easily answer and remember. Tip: write them down and put them in a safe place.

5 Confirm & Verify

On the review page double-check all your information to confirm it is correct, this will help you avoid future issues that may come up. Once everything has been looked over, read the terms and conditions and check the agreement box.

6 Verify Email & Phone

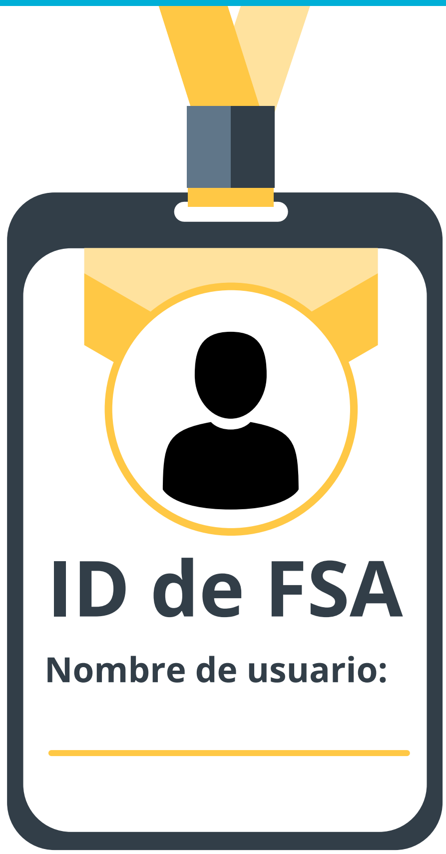
Finally, verify your email and/or phone number with the verification code sent. Once they are confirmed, you are done! Now, if you are a dependent student, have one parent create their FSA ID.

**Parents, do not create an FSA ID if you don't have a SSN. Instead, you will physically sign and mail your signature at the end of the FAFSA.*

If you do experience issues, select "Forgot Password" or call FSA at 1-800-433-3243

Cree Su ID de FSA

Visite: studentaid.gov/fsa-id



6 pasos para crear su firma legal FSA

1

Crear un ID de FSA

En la barra de búsqueda, busque ID de FSA. Comience al crear su nombre de usuario y contraseña. Asegúrese de recordar estos porque los utilizará cada año que necesita ayuda para la universidad. *NO CREE UN ID DE FSA PARA NADIE QUE NO SEA USTED MISMO.

2

Información de identidad personal

Ahora, complete la información necesaria: Nombre, inicial en segundo lugar, apellido, fecha de nacimiento y número de Seguro Social. Asegúrese de que esta información coincida con su Tarjeta de Seguro Social.

3

Información de Perfil

Ahora creará su nombre de usuario y contraseña, insertará su dirección de correo electrónico (utilice un correo electrónico no escolar), dirección postal y número de teléfono. Su correo electrónico y número de teléfono no se pueden volver a utilizar en otra cuenta.

4

Preguntas de desafío

A continuación, seleccionará 4 preguntas de desafío y creará respuestas para cada una de ellas. Elija preguntas que pueda responder y recordar fácilmente. Consejo: Anótelos y póngalos en un lugar seguro.

5

Confirmar y verificar

En la página de revisión, compruebe dos veces toda su información para confirmar que es correcta; esto le ayudará a evitar problemas futuros que puedan aparecer. Una vez que todo se haya examinado, lea los términos y condiciones y marque la casilla del acuerdo.

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Compruebe el correo electrónico y el número de teléfono

Por último, verifique su correo electrónico y número de teléfono con el código de verificación enviado. ¡Una vez que se confirman, está listo! Ahora, si es un estudiante dependiente, haga que un padre cree su ID de FSA.

**Padres, no cree un ID de FSA si no tiene un número de Seguro Social. En su lugar, firmará y enviará su firma físicamente al final de la FAFSA.*

Si tiene problemas, seleccione "Olvidó su contraseña" o llame a FSA al 1-800-433-3243

Completing the FAFSA: Order of Operations

STEP ONE:
Gather required paperwork and create both parent and student FSA IDs at studentaid.gov/fsa-id/sign-in/landing

STEP TWO:
The FAFSA is available on October 1. File at fafsa.gov or studentaid.gov

STEP THREE:
FAFSA sends info to colleges you selected on your application

STEP FOUR:
Colleges will contact you (through your email or student account) for any extra info needed

STEP FIVE:
Colleges will send you offer letters by email or in your student portal

STEP SIX:
Decide what aid you want to accept

STEP SEVEN:
Notify your college of your aid acceptance decision (usually through your student portal)

Completar la FAFSA: Orden de operaciones

PRIMER PASO:
Reúne la documentación requerida y crea las credenciales FSA ID tanto de los padres como de los estudiantes en FSAid.ed.gov

SEGUNDO PASO:
La FAFSA está disponible el 1 de Octubre. Preséntela en FAFSA.gov o studentaid.gov
TERCER PASO:
La FAFSA envía información a las universidades que seleccionaste en tu solicitud

CUARTO PASO:
Las universidades se comunicarán contigo (a través de tu cuenta de estudiante) si necesitan información adicional.

QUINTO PASO:
Las universidades te enviarán cartas de concesión por correo electrónico o en tu portal de estudiante con cada universidad

SEXTO PASO:
Decide qué ayuda quieres aceptar

SÉTIMO PASO:
Notifica tu decisión de aceptación de ayuda a tu Universidad

Do I Have to Provide My Parents' Information on the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA℠)?

All applicants for federal student aid are considered either "independent" or "dependent." Dependent students are required to include information about their parents on the FAFSA. By answering a few questions, you can get a good idea of which category you fit into.

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Will you be 24 or older by Dec. 31 of the school year for which you are applying for financial aid? — Yes / No

Will you be working toward a master's or doctorate degree (such as M.A., M.B.A., M.D., J.D., Ph.D., Ed.D., etc.)? — Yes / No

Are you married or separated but not divorced? — Yes / No

Do you have children who receive more than half of their support from you? — Yes / No

Do you have dependents (other than children or a spouse) who live with you and receive more than half of their support from you? — Yes / No

At any time since you turned age 13, were both of your parents deceased, were you in foster care, or were you a ward or dependent of the court? — Yes

Are you an emancipated minor or are you in a legal guardianship as determined by a court? — Yes

Are you an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or self-supporting and at risk of being homeless? — Yes

No

MILITARY

Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training? — Yes / No

Are you a veteran of the U.S. armed forces? — Yes / No

You may be a
Dependent Student

If none of the criteria listed above apply to you, you may be considered a dependent student and may be required to provide your parents' financial information when completing the FAFSA.

You may be an
Independent Student

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you may be an independent student. You may not be required to provide parental information on your FAFSA.

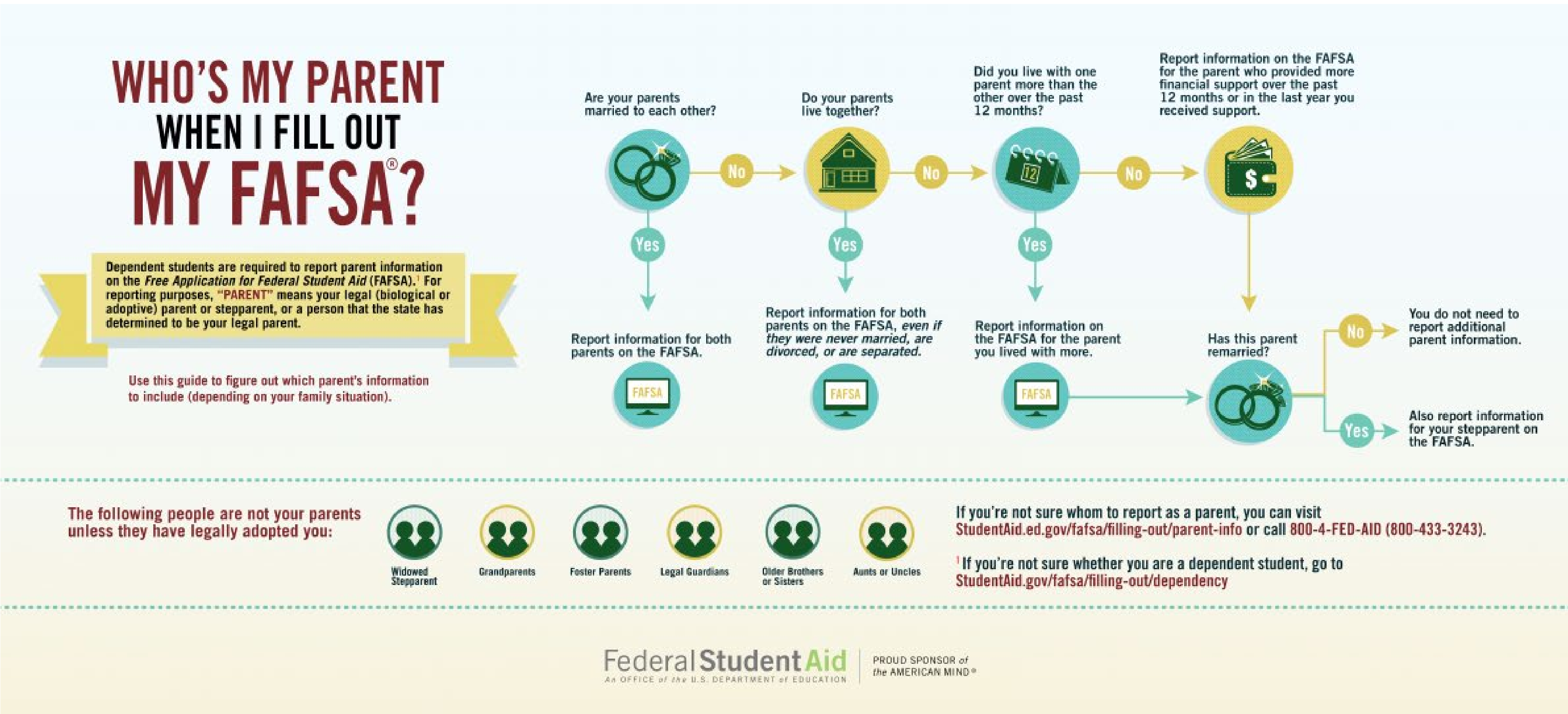
If you have questions about your dependency status or need more information, please visit StudentAid.gov/dependency.

Dependencia: ¿Soy un estudiante dependiente?

Si puedes responder "Sí" a cualquiera de las preguntas a continuación, se te considera un estudiante independiente y no necesitarás la información financiera de tus padres para completar tu FAFSA.

De lo contrario, eres considerado un estudiante dependiente y necesitarás la información financiera de tus padres para completar tu FAFSA. Si la FAFSA determina que eres dependiente pero ciertas circunstancias especiales dictan lo contrario, habla con la oficina de ayuda financiera de tu universidad tan pronto como sea posible. Tu universidad puede revisar tu estado de dependencia a través del juicio profesional.

1. ¿Naciste antes del 1 de enero de 2000?
   - SÍ
   - No
2. En este momento, ¿estás casado? (También responde "Sí" si estás separado pero no estás divorciado)
   - SÍ
   - No
3. Al comienzo del año escolar 2023-24, ¿estarás trabajando en un programa de maestría o doctorado (como un M.B.A., M.A., J.D., Ph.D., Ed.D., certificado de graduado, etc.)?
   - SÍ
   - No
4. ¿Actualmente estás prestando servicio activo en las fuerzas armadas de los Estados Unidos para fines distintos al entrenamiento?
   - SÍ
   - No
5. ¿Eres un veterano de las fuerzas armadas de los Estados Unidos?
   - SÍ
   - No
6. ¿Tienes o tendrás hijos que recibirán más de la mitad de su sustento de ti entre el 1 de julio de 2023 y el 30 de junio de 2024?
   - SÍ
   - No
7. ¿Tienes dependientes (además de tus hijos o cónyuge) que viven contigo y que reciben más de la mitad de su sustento de ti en la actualidad y hasta el 30 de junio de 2024?
   - SÍ
   - No
8. A partir de que cumpliste 13 años de edad, ¿tus padres fallecieron, estuviste en cuidado de crianza o fuiste dependiente o acogido a la tutela de un tribunal?
   - SÍ
   - No
9. Según lo determinado por un tribunal en tu estado legal de residencia, ¿actualmente eres o fuiste considerado un menor emancipado?
   - SÍ
   - No
10. ¿Alguna persona que no sea tu padre/madre o padrastro/madrastra tiene tu custodia legal, según lo determinado por un tribunal en tu estado de residencia legal?
    - SÍ
    - No
11. En cualquier momento a partir del 1 de julio de 2022, se determinó que eres un joven no acompañado que no tenía hogar o que era autosuficiente y estaba en riesgo de quedarse sin hogar, según lo determinado por (a) tu escuela secundaria o tu enlace distrital designado para personas sin hogar, (b) el director de un albergue de emergencia o programa de vivienda de transición financiado por el Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los EE. UU., o (c) el director de un centro básico para jóvenes sin hogar o que han huido de su hogar, o un programa de vivienda de transición?
    - SÍ
    - No


WHO'S MY PARENT WHEN I FILL OUT MY FAFSA®?
Dependent students are required to report parent information on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).[1] For reporting purposes, "PARENT" means your legal (biological or adoptive) parent or stepparent, or a person that the state has determined to be your legal parent.
Use this guide to figure out which parent's information to include (depending on your family situation).
Are your parents married to each other?
Yes
Report information for both parents on the FAFSA.
No
Do your parents live together?
Yes
Report information for both parents on the FAFSA, even if they were never married, are divorced, or are separated.
No
Did you live with one parent more than the other over the past 12 months?
Yes
Report information on the FAFSA for the parent you lived with more.
No
Report information on the FAFSA for the parent who provided more financial support over the past 12 months or in the last year you received support.
Has this parent remarried?
No
You do not need to report additional parent information.
Yes
Also report information for your stepparent on the FAFSA.
FAFSA
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The following people are not your parents unless they have legally adopted you:
Widowed Stepparent
Grandparents
Foster Parents
Legal Guardians
Older Brothers or Sisters
Aunts or Uncles
If you're not sure whom to report as a parent, you can visit StudentAid.ed.gov/fafsa/filling-out/parent-info or call 800-4-FED-AID (800-433-3243).
[1] If you're not sure whether you are a dependent student, go to StudentAid.gov/fafsa/filling-out/dependency
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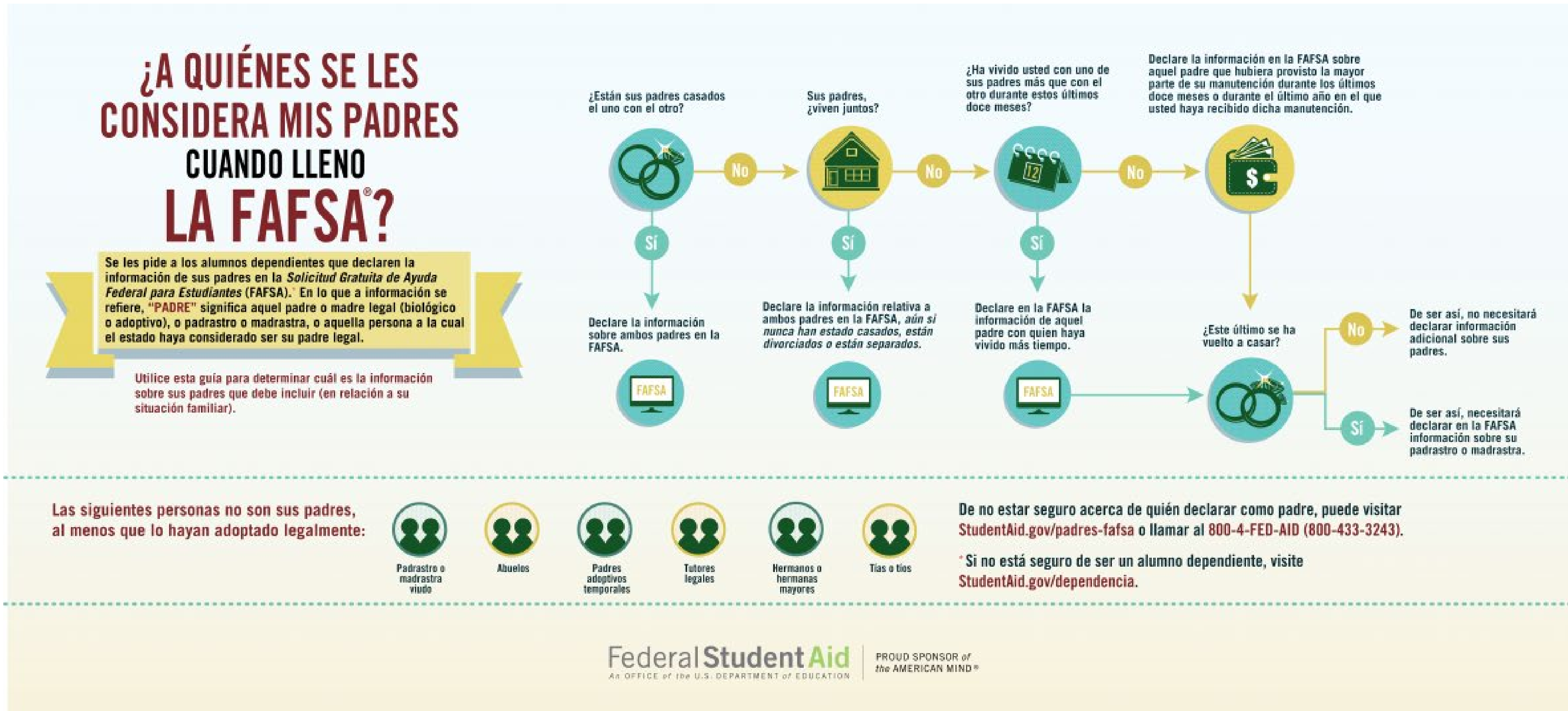
¿A QUIÉNES SE LES CONSIDERA MIS PADRES CUANDO LLENO LA FAFSA®?
Se les pide a los alumnos dependientes que declaren la información de sus padres en la *Solicitud Gratuita de Ayuda Federal para Estudiantes* (FAFSA).* En lo que a información se refiere, "PADRE" significa aquel padre o madre legal (biológico o adoptivo), o padrastro o madrastra, o aquella persona a la cual el estado haya considerado ser su padre legal.
Utilice esta guía para determinar cuál es la información sobre sus padres que debe incluir (en relación a su situación familiar).
¿Están sus padres casados el uno con el otro?
No
Sí
Declare la información sobre ambos padres en la FAFSA.
FAFSA
Sus padres, ¿viven juntos?
No
Sí
Declare la información relativa a ambos padres en la FAFSA, *aún si nunca han estado casados, están divorciados o están separados.*
FAFSA
¿Ha vivido usted con uno de sus padres más que con el otro durante estos últimos doce meses?
No
Sí
Declare en la FAFSA la información de aquel padre con quien haya vivido más tiempo.
FAFSA
Declare la información en la FAFSA sobre aquel padre que hubiera provisto la mayor parte de su manutención durante los últimos doce meses o durante el último año en el que usted haya recibido dicha manutención.
¿Este último se ha vuelto a casar?
No
De ser así, no necesitará declarar información adicional sobre sus padres.
Sí
De ser así, necesitará declarar en la FAFSA información sobre su padrastro o madrastra.
Las siguientes personas no son sus padres, al menos que lo hayan adoptado legalmente:
Padrastro o madrastra viudo
Abuelos
Padres adoptivos temporales
Tutores legales
Hermanos o hermanas mayores
Tías o tíos
De no estar seguro acerca de quién declarar como padre, puede visitar StudentAid.gov/padres-fafsa o llamar al 800-4-FED-AID (800-433-3243).
* Si no está seguro de ser un alumno dependiente, visite StudentAid.gov/dependencia.
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COVID-19 & THE FAFSA

An important message for Class of 2023 Seniors:

Unfortunately, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, many families experienced or are experiencing unexpected financial burdens, including unemployment or a decrease in pay.

If you plan to complete the 2023-24 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), please note that this application uses tax information from 2021 to determine your eligibility for federal financial aid. **If your financial situation has changed drastically since 2021, it is very important to contact the financial aid office at your college or university as soon as possible to discuss your options.** Each institution will have its own method for documenting your new financial situation and reassessing your financial need:

Bridgerland Tech College: 435-213-1895
Brigham Young University: 801-422-4104
Davis Tech College: 801-593-2195
Dixie Tech College: 435-674-8400
Ensign College: 801-524-8111
Mountainland Tech College: 801-753-4105
Ogden-Weber Tech College: 801-627-8327
Salt Lake Community College: 801-957-4410
Snow College: 435-283-7129
Southern Utah University: 435-586-7700
Southwest Tech College: 435-586-2899
Tooele Tech College: 435-248-1847
Uintah Basin Tech College: 435-722-6953
University of Utah: 801-581-6211
Utah State University: 435-797-0173
Utah State Eastern: 435-797-0173
Utah Tech University: 435-652-7575
Utah Valley University: 801-863-8442
Weber State University: 801-626-7569
Westminster College: 801-832-2500

If you receive a check or deposit from the federal government in response to the COVID-19 emergency, The Department of Education has also clarified that you should *not* report this money as an asset on the FAFSA.

If you have additional questions or need help completing the FAFSA, contact the Utah System of Higher Education Access Team at fafsahelp@ushe.edu or 801-646-4562

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COVID-19 y FAFSA

Un mensaje importante para los alumnos del 12° grado de Clase 2023:

Desafortunadamente, como resultado de la pandemia de COVID-19, muchas familias están experimentando gastos financieros inesperados, incluyendo el desempleo o una disminución de los salarios.
Si completó o planea completar la Solicitud Gratuita 2023-2024 de Ayuda Federal para Estudiantes (FAFSA), tenga en cuenta que esta aplicación utiliza información fiscal de 2021 para determinar su elegibilidad para recibir ayuda financiera federal. **Si su situación financiera ha cambiado drásticamente desde 2021, es de vital importancia ponerse en contacto con la oficina de ayuda financiera de su colegio o universidad lo antes posible para analizar sus opciones.** Cada institución tendrá su propio método para documentar su nueva situación financiera y reevaluar su necesidad financiera:

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Westminster College: 801-832-2500

Si recibe un cheque o depósito del gobierno federal en respuesta a la emergencia de COVID-19, el Departamento de Educación también ha aclarado que no debe incluir este dinero como un activo en la FAFSA.

Si tiene preguntas adicionales o necesita ayuda para completar la FAFSA, contacta con nosotras: fafsahelp@ushe.edu o 801-646-4562

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FAFSA Tips for US Citizen/Resident Students with Undocumented Parents

Q: If my parent is undocumented, but I am a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident, can I complete the FAFSA?

A: Yes! You will still be considered for federal financial aid (grants, work-study, and federal student loans).

Q: Will my parent's documentation status be shared with other government agencies?

A: The Department of Education has stated that your parents' immigration status does not affect your eligibility for federal student aid. According to the U.S. Department of Education, it "does not sell student or parent information and does not share that information with any entities beyond those specified on the FAFSA form." The agencies specified on the FAFSA are only notified to determine student eligibility for federal financial aid and are not shared with other agencies.

Q: If my parent is undocumented, what do I list for their Social Security Number?

A: If your parent does not have a Social Security Number, list 000-00-0000 for their Social Security Number. Do not use an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) or someone else's Social Security Number.

Q: How does my parent sign the FAFSA if they do not have a Social Security Number?

A: An undocumented parent cannot create an FSA ID to sign the FAFSA digitally if they do not have a Social Security Number. Your parent will instead need to print a signature page provided at the end of the FAFSA and mail it to the address listed on the signature page.

Q: Do I need to know anything else about completing the FAFSA?

A: Parent(s) who are undocumented will need to enter their tax information manually from their tax forms since they cannot import them directly from the IRS. Follow the instructions on the FAFSA carefully and, if you have questions, don't hesitate to ask.

Consejos sobre la FAFSA para estudiantes ciudadanos y residente estadounidenses con padres indocumentados

P: Si mi padre o madre es indocumentado pero soy ciudadano de los Estados Unidos, ¿puedo completar la FAFSA?
R: ¡Sí! Serás considerado para recibir ayuda financiera federal (becas del gobierno, el Programa Federal de Estudio y Trabajo (work-study) y préstamos estudiantiles federales).

P: ¿El estado de la documentación de mis padres será compartido con otras agencias gubernamentales?
R: El Departamento de Educación ha declarado que el estatus migratorio de tus padres no afecta tu elegibilidad para recibir ayuda federal para estudiantes. Según el Departamento de Educación de Estados Unidos, "la información de los estudiantes o sus padres no se vende ni se comparte con ninguna entidad fuera de las especificadas en el formulario FAFSA". Las agencias especificadas en la FAFSA solo son notificadas para determinar la elegibilidad del estudiante para recibir ayuda financiera y la información no se comparte con otras agencias.

P: Si mi madre o padre es indocumentado, ¿qué debo llenar en el campo designado para el Número de Seguro Social?
R: Si tu madre o padre no tiene un Número de Seguro Social, llena el campo con ceros. No utilices un Número de Identificación Personal del Contribuyente (ITIN) o el Número de Seguro Social de otra persona.

P: ¿Cómo mi padre o madre debe firmar la FAFSA si no tienen un Número de Seguro Social?
R: Un padre indocumentado no puede crear un FSA ID para firmar la FAFSA digitalmente si no tiene un Número de Seguro Social. En cambio, su padre deberá imprimir una página de firma que se proporciona al final de la FAFSA y enviarla por correo a la dirección que figura en la página de firma.

P: ¿Necesito saber algo más sobre cómo completar la FAFSA?
R: Padres que son indocumentados deberán ingresar su información tributaria manualmente según sus formularios de impuestos, ya que no pueden importarlos directamente desde el IRS. Sigue las instrucciones de la FAFSA cuidadosamente y, si tienes dudas, no dudes en preguntar.

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Attending college

Attending college in Utah

Undocumented students and DACA recipients can attend college in Utah. All students, regardless of immigration status, are eligible for admission into any of the accredited colleges and universities (public or private) in Utah.

Attending college out-of-state

Each state has its own laws pertaining to college admissions for undocumented and DACA recipients. Talk to the admissions office at your prospective college to discuss your options.

Affording College

In-state tuition

Under Utah House Bill 144, undocumented students qualify for in-state tuition if they attend a Utah high school for three or more years and graduate from a Utah high school or obtain a GED in Utah. Students must submit an HB 144 Affidavit through their college to qualify.

Scholarships

Undocumented students may also qualify for private, some state, and/or institutional scholarships.

Students are encouraged to apply for any scholarships for which they are eligible. Helpful websites include:

- Keys to Success
- Dream Centers (SLCC & UU)
- Edúcate-Utah

FAFSA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the application students must complete each year to apply for federal financial aid, including Pell grants, work-study, and federal student loans.

Certain "eligible noncitizens" can complete the FAFSA and qualify for federal financial aid. In order to complete the FAFSA as an eligible noncitizen, you will need to enter your "Alien Registration Number" on the FAFSA.

Under current laws, undocumented students and DACA recipients are not included in the eligible noncitizen category, and therefore do not qualify for federal financial aid. In many cases, undocumented students and DACA recipients will not need to complete the FAFSA. If you are applying for a scholarship that requires you to complete the FAFSA, talk to the financial aid office at your college or university for assistance.

If you are a US citizen but your parent is undocumented, you can and should complete the FAFSA. You will need to enter zero's for your parent's Social Security number and print, sign, and mail the FAFSA signature page.

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Asistir a la universidad

Asistir a la universidad en Utah
Los estudiantes indocumentados y los beneficiarios de DACA pueden asistir a la universidad en Utah. Todos los estudiantes, sin importar su estatus migratorio, califican para ser admitidos en cualquiera de las universidades acreditadas (públicas o privadas) en Utah.

Asistir a la universidad fuera del estado
Cada estado tiene sus propias leyes relacionadas con la admisión a la universidad para las personas indocumentadas y los beneficiarios de DACA. Consulta con la oficina de admisiones de tu futura universidad para analizar tus opciones.

Cómo pagar la universidad

Matrícula estatal
De acuerdo con el Proyecto de Ley 144 presentado por la Cámara de Representantes de Utah, los estudiantes indocumentados califican para la matrícula estatal si asisten a una escuela secundaria de Utah durante tres años o más y se gradúan de una escuela secundaria de Utah u obtienen un GED en Utah. Los estudiantes deben presentar una Declaración jurada HB 144 a través de su universidad para calificar.

Becas
Los estudiantes indocumentados también pueden calificar para becas privadas, algunas estatales y/o institucionales.

Se incentiva a los estudiantes a que soliciten cualquier otra beca para la que califiquen. Los sitios web útiles incluyen:
· Claves para el Éxito
· Dream Centers (SLCC y UU)
· Edúcate-Utah

FAFSA
La Solicitud Gratuita de Ayuda Federal para Estudiantes (FAFSA) es la solicitud que los estudiantes deben completar todos los años para solicitar ayuda económica federal, incluidas las becas Pell, becas de trabajo y estudio, y préstamos federales para estudiantes.

Algunos “no-ciudadanos elegibles” pueden completar la FAFSA y calificar para la ayuda económica federal. Para completar la FAFSA como no-ciudadano elegible, tendrás que introducir tu “Número de Registro de Extranjeros” en la FAFSA.

De acuerdo con las leyes actuales, los estudiantes indocumentados y los beneficiarios de DACA no están incluidos en la categoría de no-ciudadanos elegibles y, por lo tanto, no califican para obtener la ayuda económica federal. En muchos casos, los estudiantes indocumentados y los beneficiarios de DACA no tendrán que completar la FAFSA. Si solicitas una beca que requiere que completes la FAFSA, consulta con la oficina de ayuda económica de tu universidad o facultad para que te ayuden.

Si eres ciudadano estadounidense pero tus padres son indocumentados, puedes y debes completar la FAFSA. Tendrás que ingresar un 0 para el número del Seguro Social de tus padres e imprimir, firmar y enviar por correo la página de firma de la FAFSA.

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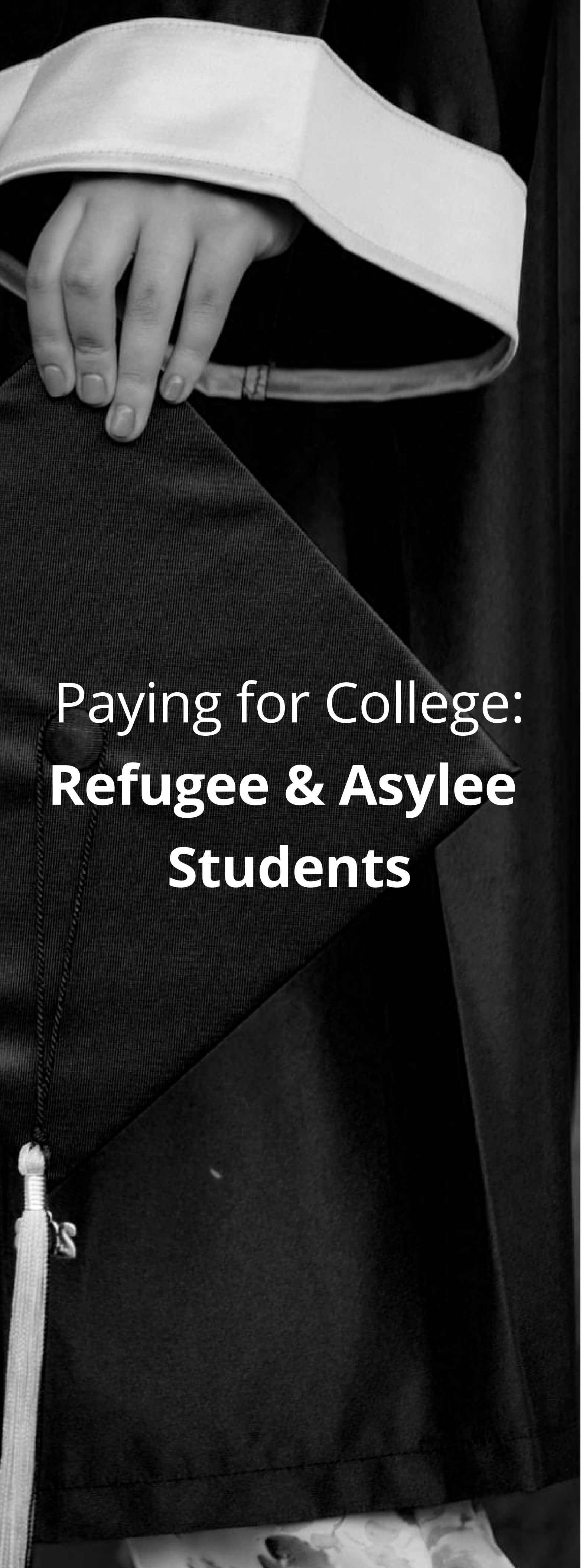

Paying for College: **Refugee & Asylee Students**

Refugee students and students who have been granted asylum are eligible to attend college in the United States.

FAFSA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the application students must complete each year to apply for federal financial aid, including Pell grants, work-study and federal student loans.

Refugee students and students who have been granted asylum are considered "eligible noncitizens" and can complete the FAFSA and qualify for federal financial aid. In order to complete the FAFSA as an eligible noncitizen, you will need to enter both your Social Security Number and your Alien Registration Number on the FAFSA.

In-state tuition

Refugee students and students who have been granted asylum qualify for in-state tuition in Utah.

Scholarships

Refugee students and students who have been granted asylum are eligible to apply for scholarships from the state of Utah.

Students are encouraged to apply for any other scholarships for which they are eligible. Helpful websites include:

- Keys to Success
- The UN Refugee Agency

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Pagar la Universidad: **Estudiantes Refugiados y Asilados**

Los estudiantes refugiados y los estudiantes a los que se les concedió asilo califican para asistir a la universidad en los Estados Unidos.

FAFSA

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Los estudiantes refugiados y los estudiantes a los que se les concedió asilo se consideran "no-ciudadanos elegibles" y pueden completar la FAFSA y calificar para la ayuda económica federal. Para completar la FAFSA como no-ciudadano elegible, tendrás que ingresar tu Número de Seguro Social y tu Número de Registro de Extranjeros en la FAFSA.

Matrícula estatal

Los estudiantes refugiados y los estudiantes a los que se les concedió asilo califican para la matrícula estatal en Utah.

Becas

Los estudiantes refugiados y los estudiantes a los que se les concedió asilo cumplen con los requisitos para solicitar becas del estado de Utah.

Se incentiva a los estudiantes a que soliciten cualquier otra beca para la que califiquen. Los sitios web útiles incluyen:
· Claves para el Éxito
· Agencia de la ONU para los Refugiados

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Deferment and the FAFSA

Some students defer college to complete a humanitarian, religious, or military service after high school. If you do not plan to start college immediately after high school graduation, here are options to consider.

We recommend:
File the FAFSA the fall of your senior year of high school, even if you aren't planning to attend college right away.

Why we recommend it:

- Filing your FAFSA as a senior makes the renewal process much easier when you decide to enroll in college.
- If you have time to fit a semester of college before you leave for your religious mission, military service, or humanitarian service, you may be eligible for financial aid.
- If your plans change suddenly, (for example, due to an unexpected injury) you will be ready to attend college.
- Because of the important role the FAFSA can play in some scholarships (especially the Utah Opportunity Scholarship), you should file early to be considered for those awards. You may be able to defer your scholarships.

When you return from deferment:
If you do complete the FAFSA, (or create an FSA ID) write down your information below and save it in a safe place for when you return. This can help you avoid the complications of forgotten passwords, usernames, emails, and other information when you return. We also recommend writing down your parent's account information as well.

FSA ID Username:_______________________________________

FSA ID Password:_______________________________________

Email Associated with Account:______________________________

Phone Number Associated with Account:_________________________

Challenge Question Answer 1:________________________________

Challenge Question Answer 2:________________________________

Challenge Question Answer 3:________________________________

Challenge Question Answer 4:________________________________

Aplazamiento y FAFSA

Algunos estudiantes aplazan la universidad para completar un servicio humanitario, religioso o militar después de la escuela secundaria. Si no planea comenzar la universidad inmediatamente después de la graduación de la escuela secundaria…

Lo que recomendamos:
Presente la FAFSA el otoño de su último año de secundaria incluso si no está planeando asistir a la universidad de inmediato.

Por qué lo recomendamos:

- La presentación de su FAFSA como un estudiante mayor hace que el proceso de renovación sea mucho más fácil cuando decide inscribirse en la universidad.
- Si tiene tiempo para un semestre de la universidad antes de su misión religiosa, servicio militar, o servicio humanitario, puede ser elegible para la ayuda financiera.
- Si sus planes cambian repentinamente (por ejemplo, debido a una lesión inesperada) estará listo para asistir a la universidad.
- Debido al importante papel que la FAFSA puede desempeñar en algunas becas (especialmente la beca Utah Opportunity Scholarship), debe presentar su solicitud temprano para ser considerado para esos premios. Tiene posibilidad de aplazar o diferir sus becas.

Cuando regrese del aplazamiento:
Si completa la FAFSA (o crea un ID de FSA) anote su información a continuación y guárdela en un lugar seguro para cuando regrese. Esto puede ayudarlo a evitar las complicaciones de contraseñas olvidadas, nombres de usuario, correos electrónicos y otra información cuando regrese. También le recomendamos que escriba la información de la cuenta de sus padres.

ID de FSA Nombre de usuario:______________________________________

ID de FSA Contraseña:____

Correo electrónico asociado con la cuenta: ____________________________

Número de teléfono asociado con la cuenta:____________________________

Pregunta de desafío Respuesta 1:____________________________________

Pregunta de desafío Respuesta 2:____________________________________

Pregunta de desafío Respuesta 3:____________________________________

Pregunta de desafío Respuesta 4:____________________________________

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Frequently Asked Questions about my529, an Educational Savings Plan

1. What is a 529 plan?

A 529 plan is a tax-advantaged vehicle designed to encourage individuals to invest for future qualified higher education expenses. 529 funds can also be used to pay up to $10,000 of annual K-12 tuition expenses. These plans are authorized by Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code.

2. What is my529?

my529 is the official 529 plan established and sponsored by the State of Utah. It is a direct-sold plan, which means you can set up an account and make contributions by dealing directly with my529.

3. Is there any cost to open or maintain a my529 account?

- No. Opening an account is free—no startup fees.
- There are no initial or ongoing contribution requirements.

4. What are the tax benefits?

- Earnings grow tax-deferred from federal and Utah state taxes.
- Withdrawals are tax-free when used for qualified education expenses.
- Utah taxpayers may qualify for a Utah state income tax benefit on contributions.

5. Who can own an account?

An account owner can be an individual, a corporation or even a trust. An individual can be an account owner regardless of the relationship to the beneficiary but must be at least 18 years old and a U.S. citizen with a valid Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number. The individual account owner also must have a physical address in the United States.

6. Who can be a beneficiary?

Anyone can be a beneficiary of an account regardless of his or her relationship to the account owner. The beneficiary must be a U.S. citizen with a valid U.S. Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number.

7. Can I change the beneficiary?

An account owner may change the beneficiary of the account to a member of the family of the current beneficiary. "Member of the family" is broadly defined and includes but is not limited to siblings, first cousins, parents, children, and grandchildren.

8. How can 529 plan funds be used?

Funds saved through my529 may be used for a beneficiary's qualified education expenses, including tuition and fees; required books, supplies, and equipment; computers, software, and internet access; and certain room and board costs. 529 funds can also be used to pay up to $10,000 of annual K-12 tuition expenses. Qualified education expenses also include payments on qualified education loans (up to a lifetime total of $10,000 from all 529 accounts) and costs of registered apprenticeship programs.

9. Where can 529 plan funds be used for higher education?

Funds may be used at any eligible educational institution that is qualified to participate in federal financial aid programs for students in the United States and abroad. You can find a complete list of eligible educational institutions at the U.S. Department of Education's federal aid website, www.studentaid.gov.

10. How can 529 plan funds be used for K-12 expenses?

Federal law allows that 529 plan funds may be used for K-12 tuition expenses at public, private, or religious schools from kindergarten through 12th grade. Withdrawals cannot exceed a total of $10,000 per year per beneficiary from all 529 accounts (regardless of who owns the account).

11. Who can contribute to an account?

Anyone can contribute to a my529 account, but only the account owner can (1) control how assets are invested and used, and (2) claim tax benefits related to the account, regardless of who contributed to the account.

12. How can you make contributions to a my529 account?

- Online.
- Check.
- One-time or recurring electronic contributions from a checking or savings account.
- Rolling in funds from another 529 plan.
- my529 Gift Program.
- Special occasion contributions on birthdays, holidays, or other special events.
- Payroll direct deposit if authorized by employer.

13. What are my529's investment options?

my529 offers 24 investment options:
12 Enrollment Date, 10 Static, and two Customized. Underlying investments include Vanguard* and Dimensional* mutual funds, a PIMCO stable value fund, and FDIC-insured accounts.

14. Can I make an investment option change?

The IRS allows an account owner two investment option changes per calendar year for the same beneficiary. An account owner may also change investment options in connection with a change of beneficiary.

15. What if I make a nonqualified withdrawal?

The earnings portion of funds withdrawn from a my529 account that is not used for qualified higher education expenses or up to $10,000 of K-12 tuition expenses will be subject to federal and state income taxes and a 10% federal tax penalty. In addition, the Utah account owner must add back the amount of a nonqualified withdrawal (to the extent it was deducted or used in calculating the Utah my529 credit on their current or a previously filed Utah tax return) as income on his or her Utah state income tax form for the taxable year the nonqualified withdrawal was made.

16. How will a change in circumstances impact my529 accounts?

Unforeseen circumstances occur, and the law accommodates certain situations. You may request a nonqualified withdrawal without penalty in the following circumstances:

- If the beneficiary dies or becomes disabled.
- If the beneficiary receives a scholarship (up to the amount of the scholarship).
- If the beneficiary attends a U.S. service academy.
- If 529 funds are used to claim certain federal education benefits.

In those circumstances, the earnings portion of a nonqualified withdrawal will be subject to federal and state income taxes but will be exempt from the additional 10% federal tax penalty.

17. What happens if I end up with more in the account than the beneficiary needs for higher education?

- Keep the funds in the account to pay for graduate school or future qualified higher education expenses.
- Transfer the funds to a member of the beneficiary's family.
- Make a nonqualified withdrawal.

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Preguntas frecuentes acerca de my529, un plan de ahorro educativo

1. ¿Qué es un plan 529?

Un plan 529 es un instrumento de inversión con ventajas de impuestos, diseñado para alentar a las personas a invertir en la actualidad para cubrir gastos de educación superior que califican en el futuro. Los fondos 529 también pueden ser utilizados para pagar hasta $10,000 en gastos de matrícula de K-12 anuales. Dichos planes cuentan con autorización de la Sección 529 del Internal Revenue Code.

2. ¿Qué es my529?

my529 es el plan 529 oficial establecido y patrocinado por el estado de Utah. Se trata de un plan de venta directa, lo que significa que usted puede crear una cuenta y realizar contribuciones tratando directamente con my529.

3. ¿Existe algún costo por abrir o mantener una cuenta my529?

- No. Abrir una cuenta no tiene costo, no existen costos de inicio.
- No existen requisitos de contribución iniciales ni recurrentes.

4. ¿Cuáles son los beneficios de impuestos?

- Las ganancias aumentan con impuestos federales y del estado de Utah diferidos.
- Los retiros están exentos de impuestos cuando se utilicen para cubrir gastos de educación que califican.
- Los contribuyentes de Utah pueden calificar para obtener beneficios de impuestos sobre la renta del estado de Utah en función de sus contribuciones.

5. ¿Quién puede ser el titular de una cuenta?

Cualquier persona, una sociedad, o hasta un fideicomiso puede ser el titular de una cuenta. Una persona puede ser el titular de una cuenta independientemente de su relación con el beneficiario, pero debe tener por lo menos 18 años de edad y tener un Número de Seguro Social de los Estados Unidos o un Número de Identificación de Contribuyente válidos. El propietario de una cuenta debe contar además con una dirección física en los Estados Unidos.

6. ¿Quién puede ser un beneficiario?

Cualquier persona puede ser designada como beneficiario de una cuenta, independientemente de su relación con el titular de la misma. El beneficiario debe ser un ciudadano estadounidense con un Número de Seguro Social de los Estados Unidos o un Número de Identificación de Contribuyente válidos.

7. ¿Puedo cambiar el beneficiario?

El titular de una cuenta puede cambiar el beneficiario de la cuenta a un familiar del beneficiario actual. "Familiar" se define en términos generales e incluye, de forma enunciativa y no limitativa, hermanos, hermanas, primos hermanos, padres, hijos y nietos.

8. ¿Cómo se pueden utilizar los fondos del plan 529?

Los fondos en una cuenta my529 se pueden utilizar para cubrir los gastos de educación del beneficiario que califiquen lo que incluye la matrícula y los honorarios obligatorios; libros, suministros y equipos necesarios; computadoras, software y acceso a Internet; y ciertos costos de alojamiento y comida. Los fondos 529 también pueden ser utilizados para pagar hasta $10,000 en gastos de matrícula de K-12 anuales. En los gastos de educación calificados también se incluyen los pagos de préstamos de educación calificados (hasta un total de $10,000 de por vida de todas las cuentas 529) y los costos de programas de pasantía registrados.

9. ¿Dónde se pueden utilizar los fondos del plan 529 para la educación superior?

Los fondos se pueden utilizar en cualquier institución educativa que califique y esté habilitada para participar programas federales de ayuda financiera para estudiantes en los Estados Unidos y en el extranjero. Puede encontrar una lista completa de las instituciones educativas elegibles en el sitio web de ayuda federal del Departamento de Educación de EE. UU.: www.studentaid.gov.

10. ¿Cómo se pueden utilizar los fondos del plan 529 para gastos de educación primaria hasta la secundaria?

La ley federal permite que los fondos del plan 529 se puedan utilizar para gastos de matrícula de K-12 en escuelas públicas, privadas o religiosas desde el preescolar hasta el 12º grado. Los retiros no pueden superar un total de $10,000 al año por beneficiario de todas las cuentas 529 (sin importar quién sea el titular de la cuenta).

11. ¿Quién puede contribuir a una cuenta?

Cualquiera puede contribuir a una cuenta my529. Sin embargo, independientemente de quién hizo la contribución, únicamente el titular de la cuenta puede (1) controlar la manera en que se invierten o utilizan los activos y (2) reclamar beneficios de impuestos relacionados con la cuenta.

12. ¿Cómo se pueden realizar contribuciones a una cuenta my529?

- En línea.
- Cheque.
- Contribuciones electrónicas por única vez o recurrentes desde una cuenta corriente o de ahorro.
- Transferencia de fondos de otro plan 529.
- Programa de contribuciones my529.
- Contribuciones por ocasiones especiales en cumpleaños, festividades u otros eventos especiales.
- Depósito directo de nómina salarial si el empleador lo autoriza.

13. ¿Cuáles son mis opciones de inversión en my529?

my529 ofrece 24 opciones de inversión:
12 fecha de inscripción, 10 estática y dos personalizadas. Las inversiones subyacentes incluyen los fondos mutuos Vanguard* y Dimensional, un fondo de valor estable de PIMCO, y cuentas aseguradas por la FDIC.

14. ¿Puedo cambiar mis opciones de inversión?

El IRS permite dos cambios de opciones de inversión por año calendario para el mismo beneficiario. Un titular de cuenta puede además cambiar opciones de inversión en relación con un cambio de beneficiario.

15. ¿Qué sucede si realizo un retiro que no califica?

La parte de ganancias de los fondos retirados de una cuenta my529 que no se utiliza para gastos de educación superior que califican o hasta $10,000 de los gastos en matrícula de educación primaria hasta la secundaria estará sujeta a impuestos sobre la renta federales y estatales, y una multa por impuestos federales del 10 %. Además, el titular de la cuenta de Utah debe reingresar el monto de un retiro no calificado (en la medida en que se dedujo o utilizó para calcular el crédito my529 de Utah en la declaración de impuestos actual o anterior que se presentó en el estado) como ingreso en su formulario fiscal sobre la renta del estado de Utah para el año fiscal en el que se realizó el retiro no calificado.

16. ¿Cómo afectará a las cuentas my529 si cambian las circunstancias?

Pueden ocurrir circunstancias imprevistas y la ley permite ciertas situaciones. Usted puede solicitar un retiro que no califica sin penalidad en las siguientes circunstancias:

- Si el beneficiario fallece o se convierte en discapacitado.
- Si el beneficiario recibe una beca (hasta el monto de la beca).
- Si el beneficiario asiste a una academia militar de los Estados Unidos.
- Si los fondos 529 se utilizan para reclamar ciertos beneficios educativos federales.

En dichas circunstancias, la parte de ganancias de un retiro que no califica estará sujeta a impuestos sobre la renta federales y estatales, pero estará exenta de multa por impuestos federales del 10 % adicional.

17. ¿Qué sucede si acabo con más en la cuenta que lo que necesita el beneficiario para su educación superior?

- Conserve los fondos en la cuenta para pagar posgrados u otros gastos futuros de educación superior.
- Transfiera los fondos a un miembro de la familia del beneficiario.
- Realice un retiro no calificado.

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Section 5:

Post Event & Follow Up

Following Up After Filing the FAFSA

After your school's FAFSA event, it is sometimes good to look over the sign-in sheet to follow up with any students who were unable to complete their FAFSA. It is also good to follow up with any students that did finish to explain to them the next steps to receive their financial aid.

Things to note:

One: After the student has submitted the FAFSA, it is a good idea to instruct the student to follow up with their college(s) to make sure ALL the required paperwork is turned in. Timing is an important factor for when the student should reach out to the college. Digitally signed FAFSA applications take 3-5 businesses days to be processed. On the other hand, FAFSA applications that have been physically signed and mailed take about 5-10 weeks to get processed, meaning that some students may not be able to follow up for weeks. Also, after processing the student's FAFSA, some college(s) may not contact them directly. This is why it would be a good idea for the student to reach out.

Two: Give yourself a big pat on the back for a job well done! The event is over, and you were able to assist students in obtaining financial aid! However, this doesn't mean that you should stop your efforts. We encourage all FAFSA Site Coordinators to keep assisting students, schedule FAFSA completion meetings with students, continue to host other FAFSA events, and keep an eye on the high school's FAFSA data. The FAFSA shouldn't be a one-time event but a school years' worth of effort. To assist in your efforts, please explore our FAFSA Cup and FAFSA Data Site information below.

The FAFSA Cup

An inter-school FAFSA Completion Tournament and a chance for your counseling office to win a $1,000 professional development grant!

What is the FAFSA Cup?
It's part of Utah's efforts to boost our state's FAFSA completion numbers through a little bit of friendly competition. The FAFSA Cup is a chance for the counseling/advising team at your school to win a $1,000 professional development grant, plus lunch at a restaurant of your choosing.

When is the deadline to apply for the FAFSA Cup?
The contest will open on February 1, 2023, and close on April 15, 2023.
Applications must be submitted by 11:59 pm MT on April 15, 2023, to be considered. USHE's Access Team will email the application to all counseling teams.

Who can apply for the FAFSA Cup?
Any public Utah high school (including charter schools).

Class of 2022 FAFSA Cup Winners:
Our winner was the Park City High School Counseling Office.
Our runner-up was the Tooele High School Counseling Office.

FAFSA Data Site

Keep track of your students who have filed the FAFSA!

What does the FAFSA Data Site do?
The FAFSA Data Site allows a designated FAFSA Data Steward at each school to see a list of students who have completed the FAFSA.. This is a great tool for learning who may still need help at your school.
https://fafsa.ushe.edu

How do I get my school set up on the FAFSA Data site?
Call 801-646-4562 for more information and/or help setting up a Data Steward for your high school.

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