

# Checklist to Complete the 2026-27 FAFSA

## Students will need:

- ☒ StudentAid.Gov account username and password
- ☐ Permanent mailing address
- ☐ Month/year the student became a resident of Utah
  - Residents have lived in Utah for 12 consecutive months or longer
  - Insert birthdate if born and raised in Utah
- Dependent students\*\* must invite their parent(s) to their FAFSA form. To do so, students will need the following information:
  - ☐ Parent's email
  - ☐ Contributor invite code, generated after sending email invite
- ☐ Alien registration number or A#, if applicable
- ☐ 2024 federal tax forms, if applicable
- ☐ 2024 income forms, such as a W-2 form from your employer, if applicable
- Assets
  - ☐ Current total of student's cash, checking, or savings accounts
  - ☐ Net worth of student investments\*\*\*
  - ☐ Net worth of student-owned businesses or investment farms, if applicable\*\*\*







*\*Need guidance on creating a StudentAid.Gov account? Review our 'StudentAid.Gov account Setup' document for details.*



*\*\*Not sure if you are a dependent student? Use the QR code above and review the red portion of 'StudentAid.Gov account Setup' to see if you must provide parental information.*

*\*\*\*Net worth is the value of the investments, business, or investment farm minus any debts owed against them. Investments include stocks, bonds, mutual funds, 529 plans, secondary or rental properties, etc. Retirement investments are not reported on the FAFSA.*

## Which parent will need a StudentAid.Gov account to consent and sign the FAFSA form?

-  Only one parent is required to sign if married/remarried and filing taxes jointly.
-  If married/remarried but filing taxes separately, BOTH parents must sign.
-  Parents who are unmarried and living together BOTH must sign.
-  In the case of divorced or separated parents, the ONE who provides more financial support to the student OR with higher income/assets must sign.
-  If a parent has remarried, stepparent info is also needed (start from the top).
-  A widowed parent, not remarried, requires the signature of the surviving parent.

## Parent(s) will need:

- ☐ StudentAid.Gov account username and password
- ☐ Permanent mailing address
- ☐ Month/year the parent(s) became a resident of Utah
  - Residents have lived in Utah for 12 consecutive months or longer
- ☐ Parents may need their student's legal first and last name, date of birth, Social Security Number, and email. It is strongly recommended that the student start the form
- ☐ Married/remarried parents will need their spouse's legal first and last name, date of birth, Social Security Number. If no SSN, insert their mailing address and email
- ☐ 2024 federal tax forms, 1040 form, and all schedules, if applicable
- ☐ 2024 income forms, such as a W-2 form from your employer, if applicable
- Assets
  - ☐ Current total of cash, checking, or savings accounts
  - ☐ Net worth of all investments\*\*\*
  - ☐ Net worth of parent-owned businesses or investment farms\*\*\*
  - ☐ Amount of child support received in the past year for all children, if applicable