



CHECKLIST OF IMPORTANT ITEMS TO DO PRIOR TO COMPLETING YOUR FAFSA

- Create a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) for BOTH student and (one custodial) parent [here](#).**
 - Save your FSA ID and password as you will need this to access the FAFSA form and use it to sign electronically for submission.
 - Watch this [quick tutorial](#) from federal student aid on creating your FSA ID!

- Gather other items you will need to complete the FAFSA**
 - Student and parent social security number. Here is information about how to file if your [parent doesn't have an social security number](#).
 - Copy of student and parent 2019 federal tax return and W-2 forms. (You can use the [IRS data retrieval tool](#) to import this data but it is good to have the data with you as well!)
 - Copies of student and parent bank statements and statements of any other assets (excluding retirement and primary home)

- Get yourself set up to begin filling out the FAFAS form!**
 - You have options – go to [Studentaid.gov](#) to use the web version or download the 'My Student Aid' app from the apple store or google play.
 - Start by reading this [step by step guide](#) for logging in and starting the FAFSA.
 - The FAFSA form begins with general demographic questions – [TIP] make sure you are aware of whose information is being requested (student or parent) – and the FAFSA provides “Help and Hints” just by clicking on the question mark to the right of each question!

- If you have questions, we would love to hear from you!**
 - Send along any specific questions to fafsaday@gmail.com so we can make certain to address them during the event.