Create Your Federal Student Aid Account (FSA ID)

Go to studentaid.gov and click Create Account then **Get Started**

1 Enter your **Name, Date of birth, and Social Security Number**.
Parents/Contributors without SSN will still be able to make an account by selecting the "I don't have a Social Security number" box. They may be asked some additional questions to verify identity or need to provide documents to Federal Student Aid to have the account verified.

2 **Username:** Choose something you will remember and hasn't already been taken.
Email: Use your own personal email. You cannot use the same email for multiple accounts.
Password: Choose something you will remember that meets the password criteria and minimum field requirements.

3 Enter your **Mailing Address, City, State, and Zip Code**.
Mobile Phone: Use your own phone number. You cannot use the same phone number for multiple accounts.
Make sure to check the box which allows you to use your mobile phone for account recovery.

4 **Select Your Communication Preferences**
- Required Communications - Email is automatically selected to recommended.
- Informal Communications - These are optional. You may leave both boxes unchecked.
- Language Preference - Select your preferred language. This automatically defaults to English.

5 **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 characters allowed.

6 Review **all information** and **click on the check box**, agreeing to the terms and conditions.

7 **Verify Your Account Recovery Options:**
- Verify Your Mobile Phone Number - You will receive a 6 digit code via text to input.
- Verify Your Email Address - You will receive a 6 digit code via email to input.
- Authenticator App - Optional way to get into your account.
- Backup Code - Make sure you store this in a safe place.

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