

How do I sign my child's FAFSA® form?

You, the parent, need your own FSA ID (account username and password) to sign your child's *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form electronically. You cannot share an FSA ID with your child because your FSA ID is tied to your Social Security Number (SSN).

To sign your child's form electronically, go to studentaid.gov, select the "I am a parent, preparer, or student from a Freely Associated State" option, enter your child's information, and select "Next." Then, select the "Provide Signatures" button to sign and submit your signature.

Note: Even if two parents were listed on your child's FAFSA form, only one parent needs to sign it with his or her FSA ID.

[Create an FSA ID](#) if don't already have one. If you have an FSA ID but don't remember your username or password, you can [retrieve your username](#) or [reset your password](#). If you don't have an SSN, you cannot create an FSA ID and must print and mail a signature page.

If you don't have an FSA ID, you can do one of the following (slower) options:

- Print a signature page by selecting "Print Signature Page" on the "My FAFSA" or "Signature Status" page, sign it, and then mail it to the address on the page. Your child's FAFSA form will be processed once your signature is received.
- Submit your child's FAFSA form without signatures. Your child's FAFSA form will be partially processed without signatures, and your child will receive a *Student Aid Report* (SAR) within 3–5 days. Without a parent's signature, an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) won't be calculated, and the student won't be able to receive federal student aid. However, he or she may be eligible for state or local aid. In order for your child's FAFSA form to fully process, you'll need to return later to sign electronically.

NOTE: This applies to dependent students only. A parent's signature isn't required for independent students.