



Class of 2020-FSA ID NEXT Quick Tips for Students & Parents

Objective-to create a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) first step to filing a FAFSA

“Each one Teach One”

What you/parents will need to have & know to make this an EASY process:

- 1) Personal working cell phone 2) Working email addresses 3) have or know your SS# and name as it appears on your Social Security Card 4) Parent/s SS#, birthdate/s, parent/s email addresses & cell number/s.

Go to <https://fsaid.ed.gov/> A “Separate” FSA ID is required for both student & parent.

(Parents who already have an FSA ID since 2015 will use the same FSA ID). Pre 2015, parents must create a NEW FSA ID.

- Click > [Create an FSA ID](#) or Manage My FSA ID to update your if you ALREADY have FSAID
- Create an FSA ID> enter requested information
- **USE NEXT Guide pg. 40 to write all Challenge questions and answers to keep.**
- **Format for User ID: UNIQUE**
FSA ID Format: ffflllyy (all lower case) *first 3 letters of your first name, first 3 letters of your last name and 2 digit birth year.*

Example: Beyonce’ Knowles birthday is September 4, 1981- ffflllyy-beykno81

Now, you try it with your name: _____

Password Suggestion: Liberty20 (PW is case sensitive) PW Suggestions: Student’s email password (it must meet the criteria) , Student may use Parent’s name with a Capital letter as PW. Parent may use student’s name with a Capital letter as PW. (You cannot use your own name)

* **SAVE KEY**- Required to login- **Use your first name.** NOT case sensitive.

Challenge Questions: Please AVOID questions that use the word “favorite” or “best”.

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IMPORTANT *Choose challenge questions that have answers that WILL NEVER CHANGE/Concrete Answers: Example: What city were you born in?

***VERIFY CELL NUMBER AND EMAIL > Do it NOW & is Required to create a FSA ID 😊 this is Identity Protection.**

-Enter your cell number:

You will receive a text with a 6-digit code that you will enter into the computer to verify your cell #.

-Enter your email:

You will receive an email with a *different* 6-digit code that you will enter to verify your email.

When you have finished all verification of cell numbers & emails, check that you have *written* all questions and answers in your *NEXT Guide Book*. Now, take a clear, complete picture of your info on page 40 with your phone.

Why Verify Now?

Verifying your & your parent/s cell # and email/s will allow parents and you to use the DRT (Data Retrieval Tool) when they get to the Financial Section of the actual FAFSA Application.

The DRT will load their 2018 Income Tax info (and yours, too if you worked and FILED taxes) directly from the IRS into the FAFSA, allow parents and you to sign your FAFSA Application electronically, and will let you and them know immediately the amount of \$\$\$ you will receive in Federal Student Aid.

***The DRT Requires parents and you to enter the "SAME" house address that is on theirs and your 2018 Tax Return**

I will NEVER see any financial info. The form will say, "Transferred from IRS.