

Two steps to prepare for the 2023-24 FAFSA

You can simplify completing the 2023-24 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by taking steps to get ready. Get your FSA ID (which will be used to sign into the FAFSA website) and gather the documents needed to complete the form.

Step 1

Set up your StudentAid.gov account by creating your FSA ID

1. Go to StudentAid.gov.
2. Click on "Create Account."

Step 2

Gather the information and documents you will need

- Student and parent social security numbers
- Student driver's license number
- Student and parent 2021 federal income tax returns and W-2's or income earned from work
- Student and parent records of untaxed income
- Student and parent records of cash, savings and checking accounts, investments, and assets
- List of schools, colleges, or universities the student is interested in attending

Tips

- Both the student and at least one parent will need an FSA ID
- The student and parent cannot share an FSA ID
- The student and parent each should use a personal email address to create the account (not a school or work email address)
- Check with the institution on priority deadlines.

FAFSA Events:

November 1: Rapid City Area Schools **Virtual Financial Aid Night**

Join My meeting at: <http://meet.goto.com/659195573> or dial in at 1-408-650-3123

Access Code: 659-195-573

November 15: FAFSA Completion Event

Where: Stevens High School Library

When: 5:00 pm-7:00 pm.

Get 1:1 application completion assistance from Financial Aid Representative from local universities and technical colleges! You don't have to be attending one of those schools to get their help.

This event is sponsored by the South Dakota School of Mines and participation in this event will get you a free meal at the Black Hills Brick Oven Food Truck on campus that evening.

FAFSA Assistance:

Western Dakota Tech (WDT) office of Financial Aid Representatives are willing to assist with FAFSA completion and answer questions, even if you are not planning to attend WDT. You can contact their office at 605-718-2988 or finaid@wdt.edu

South Dakota Mapping Your Future also provides direct assistance with FAFSA free of charge. They can be reached at 1-800-374-4072 or at SouthDakota.MappingYourFuture.org

You can also email them at feedback@mappingyourfuture.org