

# FINANCIAL AID BASICS PRESENTED BY



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# **WHAT IS FINANCIAL AID?**



Financial aid consists of funds provided to students and families to help pay for postsecondary educational expenses.

# **COST OF ATTENDANCE (COA)**:

### **DIRECT COSTS**





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### **INDIRECT COSTS**



PERSONAL ITEMS



BOOKS & SUPPLIES



**TRANSPORTATION** 

# **WHAT IS FINANCIAL NEED?**



**Financial need** is the cost of attendance (COA) minus the student aid index (SAI).

**COST OF ATTENDANCE (COA) - STUDENT AID INDEX (SAI) = FINANCIAL NEED** 

# **HOW DO YOU PAY FOR COLLEGE?**











# **MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS**

### **WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?**

- 1. COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
- 2. YOUR HOME STATE
- 3. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
- 4. PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS



### **HOW DO YOU GET THEM?**

- 1. GPA or ACT/SAT
- 2. THE ARTS
- 3. ATHLETICS
- 4. AREAS OF INTEREST
- 5. LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HELD
- 6. COMMUNITY SERVICE
- 7. STRONG ESSAY OR PERSONAL STORY

# **SD SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

South Dakota Opportunity Scholarship	sdos.sdbor.edu
Dakota Corps Scholarship	sdbor.edu/dakotacorps (December 15 deadline)
Build Dakota Scholarship	builddakotascholarships.com
South Dakota Freedom Scholarship	freedomscholarshipsd.com
Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation	sfacf.org
South Dakota Community Foundation	sdcommunityfoundation.org

# **Federal Student Aid Programs**

Federal Pell Grant

Federal
Supplemental
Educational
Opportunity Grant
(FSEOG)

Teacher Education
Assistance for
College and Higher
Education (TEACH)
Grant

Federal Work-Study (FWS)

Federal Direct Student Loans (Direct Loans)

Federal PLUS Loans



### **HOW TO FILE THE FAFSA?**

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- Filed at studentaid.gov/fafsa.
- Create a <u>FSA ID</u> for both the student and the parent.
- Complete the FAFSA <u>annually</u> available in <u>December 2023</u>.



### **WHAT IS THE FAFSA?**

# Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- Calculates Student Aid Index (SAI)
- SAI is a number that determines each students eligibility for certain types of federal aid.
- What is the SAI not? It is **NOT** what you'll pay for college nor is it the amount of aid you'll receive.

# **24-25 FAFSA CHANGES AND UPDATES**

- EFC (Expected Family Contribution) has been replaced with the SAI (Student Aid Index)
- All applicants and contributors (parents/spouse) must give consent for their IRS information to be transferred to the FAFSA

### • Divorced Parents

- Students must now report income & asset information for the parent who provides the most financial support not who the student lived with the most
- Child support received is now reported under assets report yearly total of most recent calendar year
- Family Size is brought in from the dependents on your taxes
  - You must manually update this if it is different than your 2022 tax form

### Assets

- Net worth of family farms and small businesses must be reported
- Pell Grant
  - Can now be determined before filing the FAFSA

# **2024-25 FAFSA CHANGES AND UPDATES**

Dependent Student Look-Up Tables: 48 Contiguous States and District of Columbia

	Stude	nt's Parent is a Single Parent	
Family Sizo	2022 Poverty	Max Pell Parent AGI Limit	Min Pell Parent AGI Limit
Family Size	Guideline	(225% of Poverty Guideline)	(325% of Poverty Guideline)
2	\$18,310	\$41,198	\$59,508
3	\$23,030	\$51,818	\$74,848
4	\$27,750	\$62,438	\$90,188
5	\$32,470	\$73,058	\$105,528
6	\$37,190	\$83,678	\$120,868
7	\$41,910	\$94,298	\$136,208
8	\$46,630	\$104,918	\$151,548
9+	Add \$4,720 to the pove	erty guideline for each additiona	l person. Then multiply the
9+	AGI by 225% (Max Pell)	or 325% (Min Pell) to determine	e the Parent AGI Limit.

	Student	's Parent is not a Single Parent	
Family Sizo	2022 Poverty	Max Pell Parent AGI Limit	Min Pell Parent AGI Limit
Family Size	Guideline	(175% of Poverty Guideline)	(275% of Poverty Guideline)
2	\$18,310	\$32,043	\$50,353
3	\$23,030	\$40,303	\$63,333
4	\$27,750	\$48,563	\$76,313
5	\$32,470	\$56,823	\$89,293
6	\$37,190	\$65,083	\$102,273
7	\$41,910	\$73,343	\$115,253
8	\$46,630	\$81,603	\$128,233
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You may be eligible even if you do not fit into one of these categories.

### Who Is My Parent?

- Married, or not married but living together, provide information for both parents.
- Divorced or separated report the parent who provides more than half of the financial support. (This is a change from previous years. It is no longer who the student lives with.)
- $\circ$  If that parent is remarried the stepparent financial information <u>is</u> included on the FAFSA
- Grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians are not considered parents on the FAFSA unless they have legally adopted the student

- Do I have to put my parent's information on the FAFSA?
  - o 24 years of age
  - Graduate student
  - Veteran
  - Married
  - Have a child or other dependent
  - Orphan or ward of the court or in foster care
  - Homeless or at risk of homelessness





Parents must provide consent for the use of their financial info on the FAFSA.

- What ARE assets?
  - o Farms
  - Small Business
  - College Savings Plan
  - Land or Real Estate

- What are NOT assets?
  - Home
  - Vehicles
  - Retirement

- What can I do if the FAFSA isn't a representation of my situation?
  - Special circumstances
    - **■** Separation or divorce
    - Change in or loss of income
    - Medical expenses
    - Cost of elder care
    - K-12 school tuition costs
    - PLUS Loan or student loan payments
    - Inaccessible assets

# **How to Compare Offers**

• School A

Direct Costs \$57,000

- Scholarships \$36,000

= Net Price \$21,000

• School B

Direct Costs \$45,000

- Scholarships \$24,000

**= Net Price** \$21,000

• School C

Direct Costs \$18,000

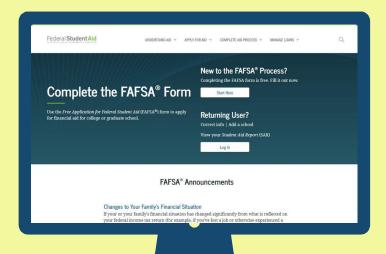
- Scholarships \$2,000

= Net Price \$16,000

# **Next Steps for Your Student(s)**

- Review college websites for admission & financial aid information
- Meet all application deadlines
- Review and compare financial aid offers
- Know how you'll be communicated with: electronic and/or paper format
- Processing dates may vary greatly depending on institutional policy. Stay in contact with each school.
- Complete Master Promissory Note and Entrance Loan Counseling at StudentAid.gov
- Investigate all sources of aid

# What to expect when filing the FAFSA:



### **Dependent Student Onboarding (2 of 4)**

The second FAFSA® onboarding page provides information about the different roles that may be required to participate in the student's FAFSA form and documents that may be needed to fill out the form.



### **Dependent Student Provides Consent**

This page informs the student about consent and their federal tax information. By providing consent, the student's federal tax information is transferred directly into the FAFSA® form from the IRS to help complete the Student Financials section. The student selects "Approve" to provide consent and is taken to the next page.



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### **Dependent Student: Tell Us About Your Parents**

As the student is considered dependent, they are asked to provide information about their parents. The FAFSA® form considers their "Parent" to be their legal (biological or adoptive) parent. The student is asked if their parents are married. The student selects "Yes" and is required to invite their parents to their FAFSA form to complete the required parent sections.



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### **Dependent Student Invites Parents to FAFSA® Form**

The student is asked to enter personal information about their parents in order to send them an invite to their FAFSA® form. In this scenario, the student invites one parent.



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Confirm Email Address	Confirm Email Address
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Invite Parent	Invite Parent
Previous	Continue

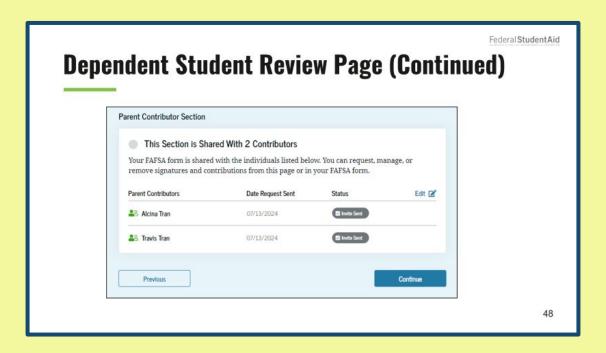
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### **Dependent Student Review Page**

The review page displays the responses that the student has provided in the FAFSA® form. The student can view all their responses by selecting "Expand All" or expand each section individually. To edit a response, the student can select the question's hyperlink and will be taken to the corresponding page. Additionally, since the student invited their parent into the form, they see the parent contributor section and the status of their parent's invite.

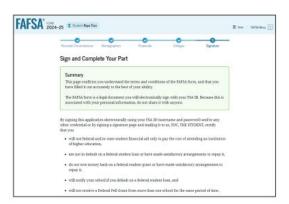


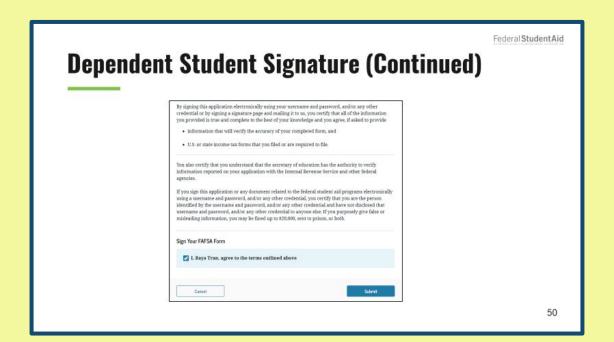
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### **Dependent Student Signature**

On this page, the student acknowledges the terms and conditions of the FAFSA® form and signs their section. After agreeing and signing, the student is able to submit their section of the FAFSA form. Since parent information has not been provided, the FAFSA form is not considered complete and can't be processed yet.





### **Dependent Student Section Complete**

Upon signing the student section, the student is presented the student section complete page. This page displays information for the student about next steps, including tracking their FAFSA® form. The student is reminded that their form is not completed and can't be submitted until the parent completes the contributor section of the form and signs it. Next, in this scenario, the student's invited parent will enter the FAFSA form and complete the parent section.



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### **Dependent Student's Parent Email**

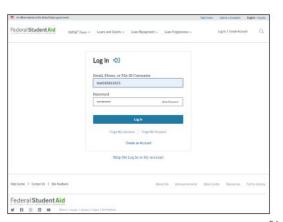
This is NOT a view within StudentAid.gov nor the FAFSA® form. This view demonstrates a parent opening the FAFSA invitation from their email. The parent selects "Log In" and is taken to StudentAid.gov.



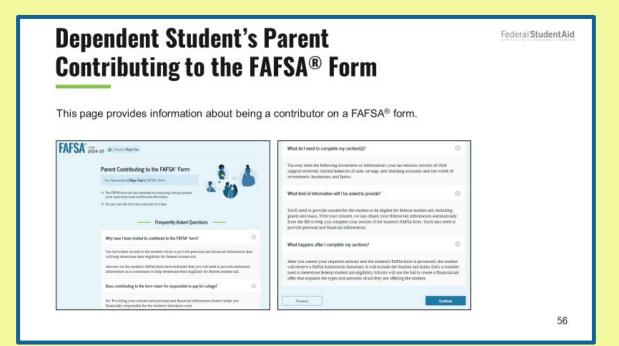


### **Dependent Student's Parent Log In**

The parent is taken from their email to the "Log In" page to enter their log-in credentials. To access the FAFSA® form, all users are required to have an FSA ID (account username and password). If the parent doesn't have an FSA ID, they can select "Create an Account."



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### **Dependent Student's Parent Identity Information**

This is the first page within the parent section. The parent can verify that their personal information is correct. To update any of the personal information, the parent must access their Account Settings on StudentAid.gov. For fields related to the parent's mailing address, the parent can edit them directly on this page.



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### **Dependent Student's Parent Provides Consent**

This page informs the parent about consent and their federal tax information. By providing consent, the parent's federal tax information is transferred directly into the FAFSA® form from the IRS to help complete the Parent Financials section. The parent selects "Approve" to provide consent and is taken to the next page.

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### **Dependent Student's Parent Tax Filing Status**

This page asks the parent about their tax filing status. The parent selects "Yes" to "Did or will the parent file a 2022 joint tax return with their current spouse?"



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### **Dependent Student's Parent Family Size**

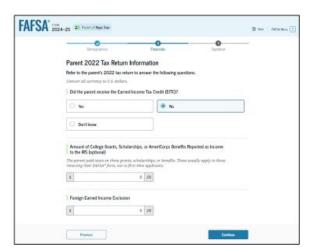
This page asks the parent if their family size has changed. The parent selects the "Yes" option.



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### **Dependent Student's Parent Tax Return Information**

The parent is asked questions about their 2022 tax return. The parent enters a response in each entry field.

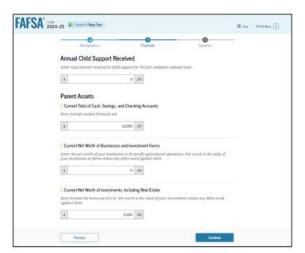


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### **Dependent Student's Parent Assets**

The parent is asked about their assets.

The parent enters a response in each entry field.



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### **Dependent Student's Other Parent Information**

The parent is asked to provide information about their spouse or partner.



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### **Dependent Student's Parent Signature**

On this page, the parent acknowledges the terms and conditions of the FAFSA® form and signs their section. Since all required sections are complete, the parent can both sign and submit the student's FAFSA form.



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### **Dependent Student FAFSA® Confirmation**

Upon submitting the student's FAFSA® form, the parent is presented an abbreviated confirmation page. This page displays information about tracking the student's FAFSA form and next steps. The student will receive an email with the full, detailed confirmation. With the student and parent sections completed and signed, the FAFSA form is now considered complete and submitted for processing.



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### **FAFSA Submission Summary Landing Page**

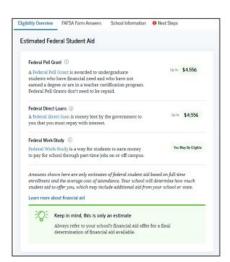
The student receives a FAFSA
Submission Summary for their processed
FAFSA® form and any subsequent
corrections that they submit. The FAFSA
Submission Summary is broken into four
tabs: Eligibility Overview, FAFSA Form
Answers, School Information, and Next
Steps. At the top, the student will see
information about when their form was
received and processed. They also have
the option to print their FAFSA Submission
Summary to keep for their records.



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### **Eligibility Overview**

On the Eligibility Overview tab, the student sees information about what federal student aid they may be eligible for, such as a Federal Pell Grant and Federal Direct Loans. They are also able to view the Student Aid Index. Any amounts of financial aid that display on this tab are estimates and are not guaranteed. Final determination of the student's financial aid eligibility is provided by their school's financial aid office.











# THANKS!

### **QUESTIONS?**

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