



This is a checklist to help you complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA<sup>®</sup>) thoroughly and correctly. Please complete the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> as accurately as possible; the information reported will be used to determine your financial aid eligibility.

## Student Checklist

- Did you file the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> for the correct aid year? All students should be filing the 2023–24 FAFSA<sup>®</sup>. **Go to <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa/>. The FAFSA<sup>®</sup> is a free application.**
- Did you use your LEGAL name as it appears on your Social Security card for **both** your FAFSA<sup>®</sup> and admission application?
- Did you report your correct Social Security number and date of birth on your FAFSA<sup>®</sup>?** **Both** are needed in order for St. John's to match your FAFSA<sup>®</sup> data to our data and prepare your financial aid offer.
- Did you report **your** income in the student section?
- Did you answer **question 23**, which asks what your high school completion status will be when you begin college in the 2023–24 school year? Did you answer **question 24**, which asks what is the name, city, and state of the high school that you received or will receive your high school diploma?
- Did you answer all questions that require a dollar amount, even if the answer is zero? **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE A FIELD BLANK.**
- Did you report all income earned, even if you were not required to file a tax return?
- Did you report the dollar amount in your checking and savings accounts that generated interest income?
- Did you claim you are independent of parental support because you have a legal dependent? If so, you must be able to prove you support that dependent with your **own** resources.
- Dependent students must have a FAFSA<sup>®</sup> on file in order for their parent to apply for a federal PLUS Loan (Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students).

## Parent Checklist

- Did you answer all questions as of the day you are filing the FAFSA<sup>®</sup>?
- If you are married/remarried, have you included your spouse's income on the FAFSA<sup>®</sup>?
- Did you include information for both legal parents (biological/adoptive) who live together but were never married?
- Did you report your and your spouse's names and Social Security numbers as they appear on your Social Security cards?
- Did you review questions 81 and 82 to ensure you did not report your adjusted gross income and tax paid as the same amount?
- If you are divorced/separated, did you report child support paid, even if the amount is zero?
- Did you duplicate your income on lines 83 and 84? This will result in an inaccurate aid offer.
- If you have income/loss on line 5 of schedule 1 on your Form 1040, did you report the net worth of the rental property/asset on question 86 of the FAFSA<sup>®</sup>?

## Signature Checklist

- Did you sign your FAFSA<sup>®</sup> electronically with your FSA ID, OR print the signature page to mail to the federal FAFSA<sup>®</sup> processor via regular US mail?
- Did one parent sign your FAFSA<sup>®</sup> electronically with their FSA ID, OR print the signature page to mail to the processor?
- Apply for a FSA ID at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa/> under "New to the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Process?" Select "Start Here." This will direct you to a log-in page where you can create an FSA ID. Or, you can go directly to [studentaid.gov/fafsa-app/ROLES](https://studentaid.gov/fafsa-app/ROLES).

## Looking for a new way to learn about financial aid?

Watch Financial Aid TV at [stjohns.financialaidtv.com](http://stjohns.financialaidtv.com) for short videos that provide answers to specific financial aid questions such as applying for aid, eligibility, scholarships, grants, military service, and award letters.

## Additional Resources

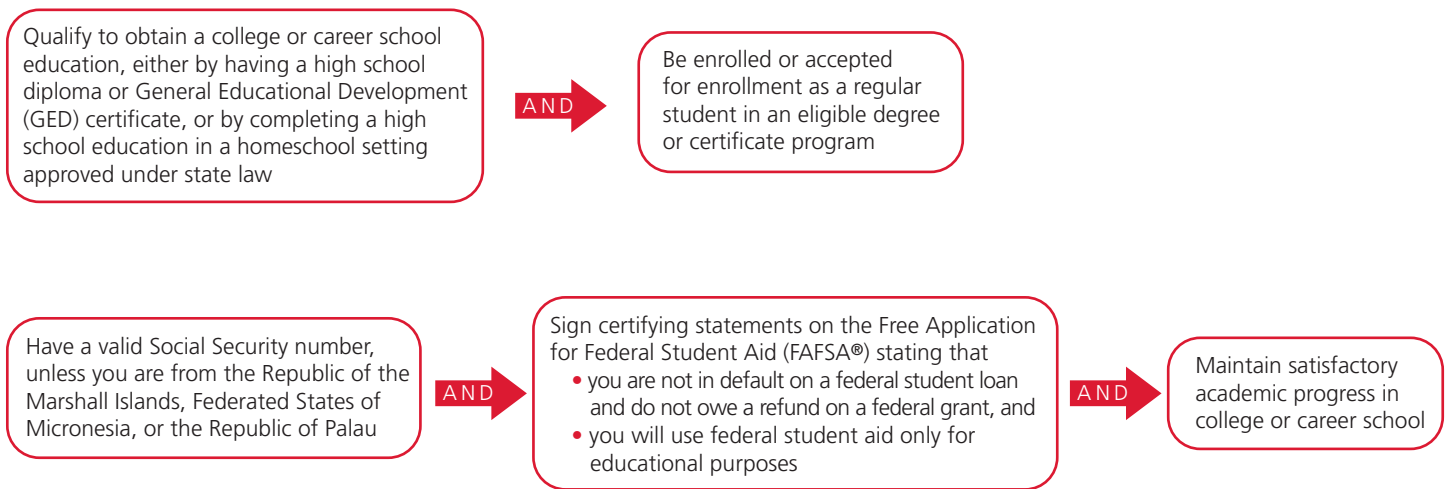
Student Financial Services: [www.stjohns.edu/admission/tuition-and-financial-aid](http://www.stjohns.edu/admission/tuition-and-financial-aid)

Scholarships: [www.stjohns.edu/admission/scholarships](http://www.stjohns.edu/admission/scholarships)

# ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID

Most students are eligible to receive financial aid from the federal government to help pay for college or career school. Your age, race, or field of study will not affect your eligibility for federal student aid. While your income is taken into consideration, it does not automatically prevent you from getting federal student aid.

## TO RECEIVE FEDERAL STUDENT AID, YOU NEED TO



## IN ADDITION, YOU MUST

