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Louisiana's Non-Profit Resource for FAFSA Completion & College Access



LOUISIANA'S CLASS OF 2023 FINANCIAL AID ACCESS POLICY

LOUISIANA REQUIRES PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS TO TAKE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STEPS AS PART OF THEIR INDIVIDUAL GRADUATION PLAN:

- Submit the FAFSA at fafsa.gov; or
- Apply for TOPS; or
- Submit an opt-out Parental Non-Participation Form or Letter; or
- Submit a Waiver through the school system.

Resource: Louisiana Department of Education
www.louisianabelieves.com





3 Types of Federal Student Aid

1



**Free
money.**

Grants are usually based on financial need and don't have to be repaid.

2



**Borrowed
money.**

Loans are an investment in your future. But remember, they must be repaid with interest.

3



**Earned
money.**

A **work-study** job lets you earn money while you're in school.

Financial Aid You May Be Awarded



Federal Pell Grant
up to \$6,495*



Federal Supplemental Education
Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
up to \$4,000



Teacher Educational Assistance
for College and Higher
Education (TEACH) Grant
up to \$4,000



Iraq and Afghanistan
Service Grant
up to \$6,495



Federal Work-Study
varies by school

*Note: Amounts for Federal Pell Grant can change yearly. This reflects the maximum award for the 2021-22 award year (July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022).



Federal
Student
Aid

FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS

- Payments aren't due until after you graduate*
- Interest rate is fixed
- You do not need a credit check for most federal student loans

**Note: some student loans don't have a grace period.*



1



2

PRIVATE STUDENT LOANS

- Many require payments while you are still in school
- Can have variable interest rates
- Often require an established credit record

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FEDERAL WORK-STUDY FAST FACTS

Most schools don't automatically hand out positions. You may need to find and apply for a work-study job.

Your school pays you directly. Payments are not applied to your tuition.

Work-study earnings don't count against you when you complete the FAFSA® form each year.



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Higher Education OPTIONS

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Public/private
four-year colleges



Community
colleges



Career
schools



Technical
schools



Part-time
classes



Online
college/courses



Be a U.S. CITIZEN or U.S. National

You are a U.S. citizen if you were born in the United States or certain U.S. territories, if you were born abroad to parents who are U.S. citizens, or if you have obtained citizenship status through naturalization. If you were born in American Samoa or Swains Island, then you are a U.S. national.



Have a GREEN CARD

You are eligible if you have a Form I-551, I-151, or I-551C, also known as a green card, showing you are a U.S. permanent resident.



Have an ARRIVAL - DEPARTURE RECORD

Your Arrival - Departure Record (I-94) from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services must show one of the following:

- Refugee
- Asylum Granted
- Cuban-Haitian Entrant (Status Pending)
- Conditional Entrant (valid only if issued before April 1, 1980)
- Parolee



Have BATTERED IMMIGRANT STATUS

You are designated as a "battered immigrant - qualified alien" if you are a victim of abuse by your citizen or permanent resident spouse, or you are the child of a person designated as such under the Violence Against Women Act.



Have a T-VISA

You are eligible if you have a T-visa or a parent with a T-1 visa.

BEFORE STARTING THE FAFSA

MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THESE IN HAND

FSA IDS

**FEDERAL
INCOME
STATEMENTS**

**BANK &
BROKERAGE
STATEMENTS**

SSN

W-2s

SOCIAL SECURITY

SOCIAL SECURITY
USA

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SIGNATURE

Filing Status ☐ Single ☐ Married filing jointly ☐ Married filing separately (MFS) ☐ Head of household (HOH) ☐ Qualifying widow(er) (QW)

Check only one box.

If you checked the MFS box, enter the name of your spouse. If you checked the HOH or QW box, enter the child's name if the qualifying person is a child but not your dependent ▶

Your first name and middle initial		Last name		Your social security number	
If joint return, spouse's first name and middle initial		Last name		Spouse's social security number	
Home address (number and street). If you have a P.O. box, see instructions.				Apt. no.	
City, town, or post office. If you have a foreign address, also complete spaces below.			State	ZIP code	
Foreign country name		Foreign province/state/county		Foreign postal code	
Presidential Election Campaign Check here if you, or your spouse if filing jointly, want \$3 to go to this fund. Checking a box below will not change your tax or refund. <input type="checkbox"/> You <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse					

At any time during 2021, did you receive, sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of any financial interest in any virtual currency? ☐ Yes ☐ No**Standard Deduction**
Someone can claim: ☐ You as a dependent ☐ Your spouse as a dependent
☐ Spouse itemizes on a separate return or you were a dual-status alien
Age/Blindness **You:** ☐ Were born before January 2, 1957 ☐ Are blind **Spouse:** ☐ Was born before January 2, 1957 ☐ Is blind**Dependents**

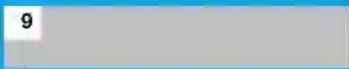
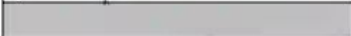
(see instructions):

If more than four dependents, see instructions and check here ▶ ☐

(1) First name	Last name	(2) Social security number	(3) Relationship to you	(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if qualifies for (see instructions):	Child tax credit	Credit for other dependents
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1 Wages, salaries, tips, etc. Attach Form(s) W-2		1	
2a Tax-exempt interest	2a	b Taxable interest	2b

Attach
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VOID <input type="checkbox"/>		a Employee's social security number		OMB No. 1545-0008			
b Employer identification number (EIN)			1 Wages, tips, other compensation		2 Federal income tax withheld		
c Employer's name, address, and ZIP code			3 Social security wages		4 Social security tax withheld		
			5 Medicare wages and tips		6 Medicare tax withheld		
			7 Social security tips		8 Allocated tips		
d Control number			9 		10 Dependent care benefits		
e Employee's first name and initial		Last name	Suff.	11 Nonqualified plans	12a See instructions for box 12		
f Employee's address and ZIP code		13		statutory employee <input type="checkbox"/>	Retirement plan <input type="checkbox"/>	Third-party sick pay <input type="checkbox"/>	12b
		14 Other		12c			
		12d					
							
15 State	Employer's state ID number	16 State wages, tips, etc.	17 State income tax	18 Local wages, tips, etc.	19 Local income tax	20 Locality name	

Account summary

Drury Lane Logistics Ltd
Account number: 00000000
Sort code: 20-40-71
Statement for: 1 Oct - 28 Oct 2019

Balance on 1 October 2019
Total paid in
Total paid out
Balance on 28 October 2019

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£21,350.21
£14,480.00
£123,797.81
£12,250.56

£14,344.18
£31.00
£0.00
£146,400.00
£156,254.48

Transactions

Date	Transaction Type	Details	Post Out (£)	Post In (£)	Balance (£)
01 Oct 2019	Yield to Title Out	DRURY DISTRIBUTION net	-16,000.00		20,210.58
31 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	14156463221	-1,892.00		38,290.58
31 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	FUN LOGISTICS LTD net REFERENCE -462	-396.00		38,902.58
31 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	MARTER HAULAGE net REFERENCE -61	-1,892.00		40,256.58
31 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	FUN LOGISTICS LTD net REFERENCE -083		42,000.00	43,726.58
31 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	MARTER HAULAGE net REFERENCE -81	-1,892.00		1,728.58
31 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	FUN LOGISTICS LTD net REFERENCE -462	-296.00		1,828.58
31 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	MARTER HAULAGE net REFERENCE -61	-1,892.00		3,328.58
28 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	FUN LOGISTICS LTD net REFERENCE -462	-396.00		3,388.58
28 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	MARTER HAULAGE net REFERENCE -61	-1,892.00		3,380.58
28 Aug 2019	Faster Payment Out	FUN LOGISTICS LTD net REFERENCE -462	-396.00		3,404.99

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Name
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279
952

Arranged overdraft limit £250.00
Arranged overdraft interest rate 1.45% per annum

We pay you interest on balances in credit up to £2,500 per month

Statement date 31 October 2019
Statement no

Sort Code 20-40-71
Account no 00000000

Start balance £4,800.77
End balance £4,800.77

Average credit balance £4,368.90
Average debit balance £2.00

Ending on 31 October 2019

BIC: NPAU3333
SWIFT: NPAU3333

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We're here to help

We're happy to help however you choose to contact us.
Online: nationalpayments.co.uk
Phone: 0800 30 20 11

Please help us to keep your details up to date and let us know if your name, telephone numbers or address changes.
Log in to the National Payments Ltd account.
Call Customer Services on 0800 30 20 11.
Download your local branch White List.

THE 3 FAFSA® DEADLINES YOU SHOULD KNOW



COLLEGE DEADLINE

College deadlines vary from school to school, but they usually come well before the academic year starts. If you're applying to multiple colleges, be sure to look up each school's FAFSA® deadline and apply by the earliest one.



STATE DEADLINE

Some states have hard deadlines and other states have suggested deadlines to make sure you get priority consideration for college money. There's also a group of states that offer first-come, first-served financial aid. If your state's deadline is "As soon as possible after Oct. 1, 2018," you should get your FAFSA® form submitted ASAP.



FEDERAL DEADLINE

This last deadline comes from us, the U.S. Department of Education. Our only time constraint is that each year's FAFSA® form becomes unavailable on June 30 at the end of the academic year.

Create an Account (FSA ID)



Parents



Students



Borrowers

Whether you're a student, parent, or borrower, you'll need to create your own account to complete federal student aid tasks.

What You Can Use Your Account For

- Filling out the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form
- Signing your *Master Promissory Note* (MPN)
- Applying for repayment plans
- Completing loan counseling
- Using the *Public Service Loan Forgiveness Help Tool*



Your verified method(s) can now be used to log in.



Email Verification

valentinafcruz16@gmail.com



Verified



Use an Authenticator App (Most Secure Option)

Use an authenticator app that you've downloaded from a mobile app store to view in-app secure codes—visible only to you—that can confirm your identity when you log in.

[Learn More](#)



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Your username and password (FSA ID) carries the same legal status as your signature, so **don't share yours with anyone!** That includes your parents, spouse, or your child.

Username

Password

Save

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A young Black woman with her hair in a bun, wearing a bright pink knit headband, a black puffy winter jacket, and black gloves. She is smiling and holding a white smartphone in her right hand, with her left hand holding a small snowball. White earbuds are visible. The background is a snowy, out-of-focus landscape.

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Complete the FAFSA® Form

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form to apply for financial aid for college or graduate school.

New to the FAFSA® Process?

Completing the FAFSA form is free. Fill it out now.

[Start Here](#)

Returning User?

[Correct info](#) | [Add a school](#)

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Tell us about yourself.

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I am a student and want to access the FAFSA form.



I am a parent filling out a FAFSA form for a student.



I am a preparer helping a student fill out his or her FAFSA form.



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Personal Information for Student



Because the FAFSA® form belongs to the student, "you" and "your" always (unless otherwise noted) refer to the student.

Your Social Security Number

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Student Email and Phone



Verify that your email address matches what is shown on this page.

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Student Address



Verify that your mailing address matches what is shown on this page.

Your Permanent Mailing Address (include apt. number)



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Student Residency and Eligibility

What is your state of legal residence?



Did you become a legal resident of Louisiana before January 1, 2017?



Yes

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Student Education

What will your high school completion status be when you begin college in the 2022–23 school year?

High school diploma



What college degree or certificate will you be working on when you begin the 2022–23 school year?

1st bachelor's degree



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Student Selective Service

Are you male or female? [?](#)

☐

Male

☒

Female



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Student Driver's License

Your Driver's License Number (if you have one)



Your Driver's License State



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Student Foster Care and Parent Education Completion

Are you a foster youth or were you in the foster care system at any time? [?](#)

☐ Yes

☒ No

What's the highest school completed by Parent 1?

College or beyond



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STUDENT INFORMATION

Confirm Your High School



Application was successfully saved.



Review the information below and then select "Continue" to add this school to your application.

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STUDENT INFORMATION

Selected Colleges and Housing Info



01

Belmont University

Federal School Code: 003479 | Nashville, TN | [View College Info](#)

Housing Plan

On Campus



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Student Additional Dependency Questions

Answer the following questions to determine if you are required to provide information about your parents on your FAFSA[®] form. Select all that apply or "None of the above." [?](#)

☐

Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training?

Are You an **Independent** or **Dependent** Student?



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**Will you be 24 or older by
Jan. 1** 

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: swipe

**Are you married or separated
but not divorced?**

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: swipe

**Are you working toward a
master's or doctorate degree?**

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: swipe

Do you have children who receive more than half of their support from you?

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: swipe

Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces?

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: swipe

**Are you a veteran of the U.S.
armed forces?**

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: swipe

Are both your parents deceased?

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: swipe

**Are you an emancipated minor or
in legal guardianship as determined
by the court?**

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: swipe

Are you an unaccompanied youth who is homeless?

IF YES: you may be an independent student and may not be required to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

IF NO: you are considered a dependent student and will need to provide your parent's information on the FAFSA® form.

Completing the FAFSA® form if you live with your grandparents:

- **If your grandparents have legally adopted you**, you can complete the FAFSA® form **using their financial information** for the questions that require “parent” information
- **If your grandparents are not your legal guardians**, you will **need to use your parents' information** in order to complete the FAFSA® form





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Dependent Student Status

Based on your answers to the dependency status questions, you are considered a "**dependent**" student. This means you must provide [parental](#) information. Select the "I will provide information about my parent(s)" option and "Continue" to continue filling out your FAFSA[®] form.

If you have a special circumstance and are unable to provide parental information under very limited circumstances, you may be able to submit your FAFSA[®] form without parental information. Select the "I am unable to provide information about my parent(s)" option and "Continue" for additional information. [?](#)

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Whose Information Should I Provide?

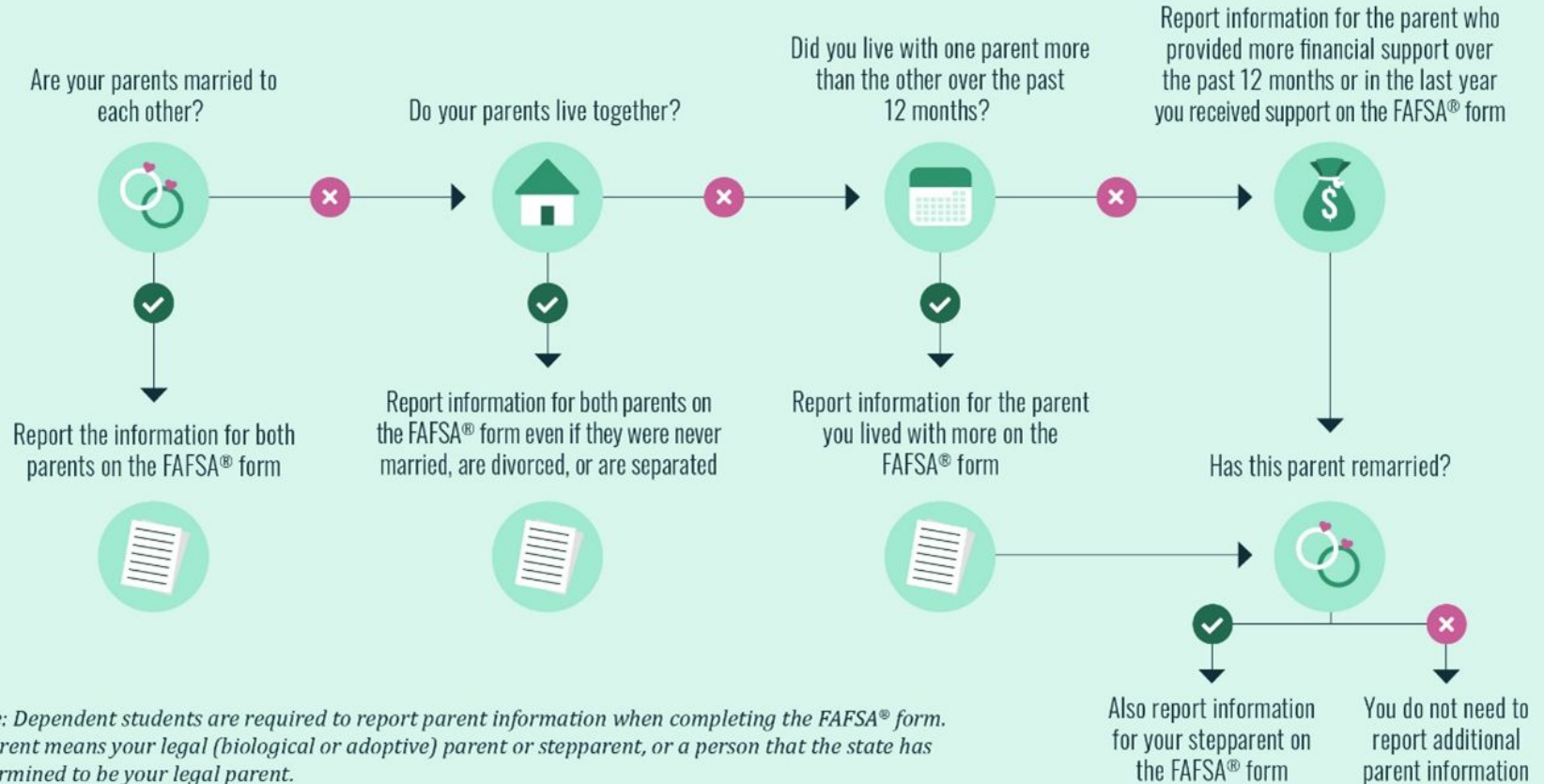


Application was successfully saved.



For additional assistance determining what parent information to report on the FAFSA[®] form, refer to *Who's my Parent When Filling Out the FAFSA form?* fact sheet.

Who's My Parent When I Fill Out My FAFSA® Form?



Note: Dependent students are required to report parent information when completing the FAFSA® form. A parent means your legal (biological or adoptive) parent or stepparent, or a person that the state has determined to be your legal parent.



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Parent Marital Status



Because the FAFSA[®] form belongs to the student, "you" and "your" always (unless otherwise noted) refer to the student.

As of today, what is the marital status of your **parents**?

Married or remarried





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Enter Information for Your First **Parent** (father/mother/stepparent)



This is the email address we have on file for your parent. Make sure it is correct.

Your Parent's Social Security Number

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PARENT INFORMATION

Enter Information for Your Other Parent (father/mother/stepparent)



Your parent's Social Security number (SSN) listed above the input box only shows the last 4 digits. If the full SSN is believed to be incorrect, enter the correct SSN.

Your Parent's Social Security Number



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Enter Information for Your Parents' Dependents



Do not include yourself (the student).

How many other dependent children do your parents have?

Include the other dependent children of your parents if they



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Parent Tax Filing Status



Application was successfully saved.



Attention!


You must provide financial information from your parents' **2020 tax return** on the following pages.



RECOMMENDED

IRS Data Retrieval Tool

Applying is faster and easier if your parents transfer their tax return information into this FAFSA[®] form with the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT)!

 *For your protection, your tax return information will not display on the IRS website or on the FAFSA[®] form.*

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Parent Income from Work

How much did your Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent) earn from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2020?

This amount is your Parent 1 (father's/mother's/stepparent's) portion of IRS Form 1040-line 1 + Schedule 1, lines 3 + 6 + Box 14 (Code A) of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065).

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How much did your Parent 2 (father/mother/stepparent) earn from working (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2020?

FAFSA Assets

Considered

- ☐ Rental property
- ☐ Trust funds
- ☐ Money Market Funds, Mutual Funds, CDs
- ☐ Stocks, stock options, bonds
- ☐ 529 college savings plans (parent asset)
- ☐ UTMA/UGMA accounts (student asset)

Not considered

- ☐ Primary place of residence/family farm
- ☐ Small business with 100 or fewer employees
- ☐ Value of life insurance
- ☐ 401[k] plans
- ☐ Pension funds
- ☐ Annuities
- ☐ Non-education IRAs



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Student Tax Filing Status



Application was successfully saved.



Attention!

You must provide financial information from your **2020 tax return** on the following pages.

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SIGN & SUBMIT

FAFSA[®] Summary



You're not done yet!

You still need to submit your FAFSA[®] form. After you print this page, select "Continue" to sign your FAFSA form.

FAFSA Summary: 2022–23

Student ID: •••••-0262 AR

Student Demographics

Student's Social Security Number (question 8)	***--0017
Student's First Name (question 2), Student's Middle Initial (question 3)	INDEPENDENT
Student's Last Name (question 1)	TESTER
Student's Date of Birth (question 9)	01/01/1990
Student's Email Address (question 13)	test577110017@test.com
Student's Telephone Number (question 10)	
Student's Permanent Mailing Address (question 4)	1000 TEST AVE
Student's Permanent City (question 5)	LAWTON
Student's Permanent State (question 6), Student's Permanent ZIP Code (question 7)	Alaska, 91030
Has the student lived in state for at least five years?	No
Student's State of Legal Residence (question 18)	Alaska
Was the student a legal resident before January 1, 2016? (question 19)	Yes
When did the student became a resident of the state? (question 20)	
Student's Citizenship Status (question 14)	Yes, I am a U.S. citizen (or U.S. national).
Student's Alien Registration Number (question 15)	
Has the student completed high school or an equivalent? (question 26)	High school diploma

Type of Degree/Certificate (question 30)

1st bachelor's degree	
Did the student complete his or her first bachelor's degree before 2022-23 school year? (question 28)	No
Student's Grade Level in College in 2022-23 (question 29)	4th yr./senior
Is the student interested in Work-Study? (question 31)	Yes
Is the student male or female? (question 21)	Male
Does the student want to register with the Selective Service System? (question 22)	
Student's Driver's License Number (question 11)	
Student's Driver's License State (question 12)	
Is the student in foster care?	No
Parent 1 Educational Level (question 24)	College or beyond
Parent 2 Educational Level (question 25)	College or beyond
Does the student have a drug conviction affecting his or her eligibility? (question 23)	Eligible for aid

Student Aid Eligibility Worksheet

Has the student received federal student aid?	Yes
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Read Before Proceeding

By signing this application electronically using your FSA ID (username and password) and/or any other credential or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, YOU, THE STUDENT, certify that you

1. will use federal and/or state student financial aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education,



Both you and a parent need to sign your FAFSA® form. Sign only for yourself. If you and your parent aren't together, one of you can sign, save the application, and then exit. Give the save key to the other person who can log in with it and sign and submit the FAFSA form.

Be sure not to mix up your and your parent's FSA IDs when signing.



Student Signature Needed



Unsigned


Provide Student Signature 



Parent Signature Needed



Unsigned

Provide Parent Signature 

Here's what happens next:

- You will receive an email version of this page.
- In 3–5 business days, you will receive an email notifying you that your FAFSA form was processed.
- Your FAFSA information will be made available to your school(s), and they will use it to determine the aid you may be eligible to receive.
- Your school(s) will contact you if they need more information or when they are ready to discuss your financial aid award.
- If you have questions about your financial aid package, contact your school(s).

An abbreviated version of your confirmation page has been sent to you
at the following email address:

Estimated Expected Family Contribution (EFC) = 607368

- The EFC is a measure of how much you can contribute to the cost of your education. Schools use your EFC to determine your federal student aid eligibility.
- The EFC is **not** how much aid you will receive or how much you have to pay for college.

ESTIMATED ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

- Based on the [eligibility criteria](#), you may be eligible for the following federal student aid:
- [Direct Loan](#) Estimate – \$7,500.00
- You may also be eligible to receive other federal, state, or institutional grants, scholarships, and/or work-study.

[Learn about federal tax benefits for education](#), including the *American Opportunity tax credit*.

School(s) On Your FAFSA Form

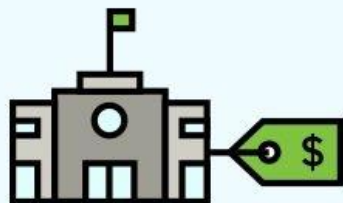
School Name	Graduation Rate	Retention Rate	Transfer Rate
Belmont University	72%	83%	21%

FINANCIAL AID **OFFERS** 101



Federal
Student
Aid

HOW TO **CALCULATE** YOUR SCHOOL'S NET PRICE.



\$9,500

*Cost of
Attendance*

*(The college's official
published tuition, fees,
& living expenses)*

-



\$4,400

*Grants &
Scholarships*

*(Free money you're
offered that you don't
have to pay back)*

=



\$5,100

*Net
Price*

*(The remaining
amount that you're
responsible for paying)*

RACE To Accept Financial Aid



FEDERAL WORK-STUDY

Doesn't have to be paid back, but you should expect to balance this work and classes.



SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

Don't have to be paid back, but you should understand the conditions to retain eligibility.



LOANS

Have to be paid back with interest, which can vary depending on loan type.*

*All borrowers with federally held student loans will automatically have their interest rates set to 0% from March 13, 2020, through Sept. 30, 2020.

NEED ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO COVER YOUR COLLEGE EXPENSES?



**STUDENTS OR PARENTS WHO NEED TO
“FILL A FUNDING GAP” AFTER FACTORING
IN ALL SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, FEDERAL
AND STATE DOLLARS, CONSIDER-**

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2023

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LOUISIANA'S NONPROFIT RESOURCE FOR FAFSA COMPLETION & COLLEGE ACCESS

2022-23 *Edition*

PARENT'S GUIDE

PLANNING AND PAYING FOR COLLEGE

for your High School Senior, Class of 2023



SENIOR'S Checklist for College Planning 2022-2023



Louisiana's Non-Profit
Resource for FAFSA Completion
and College Access

SEPTEMBER 2022

- ☐ Meet with your School Counselor to review high school transcripts and to evaluate top three college choices.
- ☐ Register to take the ACT and/or SAT. Visit actstudent.org/collegeboard.org
- ☐ Complete online college admission application to top schools on your list.
- ☐ Explore what government financial aid you can apply for at <https://studentaid.gov/sites/default/files/do-you-need-money.pdf>
- ☐ Search and apply for scholarships. www.lela.org/paying-for-college

OCTOBER 2022

- ☐ On or after Oct. 1, submit the FAFSA on line at fafsa.gov for the upcoming 2023-24 school year using 2021 tax returns.
- ☐ Meet all admissions, financial aid and scholarship application deadlines at your college or university.
- ☐ Devote time, energy, and thought to writing any required essays.
- ☐ Download and print Lela's FAFSA Completion Guide www.lela.org
- ☐ Visit March2Success.com for free ACT prep lessons.
- ☐ Review your FAFSA Student Aid Report. Make any necessary corrections and re-submit FAFSA.

NOVEMBER 2022

- ☐ If colleges request Letters of Recommendation, compile a list of teachers and mentors you can ask to submit a letter on your behalf. This may also be needed for scholarship applications.
- ☐ Finalize and have a teacher proof read any required essays.
- ☐ Register to take the ACT or SAT. Highest composite score will be accepted. Visit actstudent.org/collegeboard.org
- ☐ Attend a College and Career Fair at your high school or in your area.
- ☐ Submit an entry for a chance to win Lela's \$1,000 FAFSA Completion Scholarship at asklela.org

DECEMBER 2022

- ☐ Visit myact.org to compare colleges and research careers.
- ☐ Submit all completed admission and college academic scholarship applications. Meet deadlines.
- ☐ Register for Lela's \$1,000 Choose Louisiana Scholarship. Sign up at Lela.org by December 31, 2022
- ☐ **Ask Lela for help! Call the FAFSA HELPLINE @ 844-463-2372**
- ☐ Follow @ AskLela on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook for important tips and scholarship opportunities.
- ☐ Your parent can request a free Parent Planning Guide www.lela.org/parents-guide

JANUARY 2023

- ☐ For free FAFSA assistance, scan here:

- ☐ Once your FAFSA is submitted, register to win a \$1,000 scholarship at asklela.org.
- ☐ Participate in the George Rodrigue Art Scholarship for Seniors. Check out georgerodriguefoundation.org
- ☐ If your FAFSA has been selected for "verification", submit additional requested information to your school.
- ☐ Track your TOPS status at LOSFA's Student Hub. Visit mylosfa.la.gov

FEBRUARY 2023

- ☐ Once your FAFSA is submitted, register for a chance to win a \$1,000 scholarship here:

- ☐ If you applied for early decision, responses should be coming to you. If not, follow up with your admissions representative.
- ☐ Attend a Financial Aid program at your school or in your area.
- ☐ Register for Advanced Placement Exams.

MARCH 2023

- ☐ If you have completed the financial aid process, be on the look out for your school's Award Letter or electronic notification.
- ☐ March 1 is the recommended FAFSA submission deadline at many schools. Check with your school for priority deadline dates.
- ☐ Visit LDOE's Graduation Pathways for graduation requirements and much more at louisianabelieves.com

APRIL 2023

- ☐ Compare the offers you receive from each college.
- ☐ Decide which college to attend and notify the school of your decision.
- ☐ Review your financial aid award package with your parents; be sure you understand the terms and conditions that apply to each type of aid offered.
- ☐ If your award package includes student loans, only borrow what you NEED.
- ☐ Consider the LelaCHOICE Supplemental Loan if you need to fill a funding gap (after all free money and federal & state dollars).

MAY 2023

- ☐ Notify the offices of Admissions and Financial Aid at the colleges you decided not to attend.
- ☐ **Ask Lela for help!**
- ☐ Apply for a summer job.
- ☐ GRADUATION! Congratulations!
- ☐ Arrange housing and a meal plan with your new school, if necessary.

JUNE/JULY/AUGUST 2023

- ☐ Respond to all requests from your college.
- ☐ Find out when payment of school charges (such as tuition, fees, and room and board) are due.
- ☐ Make a plan for saving a portion of your summer earnings.
- ☐ Attend Freshman Orientation at your new college.
- ☐ Register for Lela's \$1,000 Choose Louisiana scholarship. Sign up at Lela.org by December 31, 2023.

Have questions about FAFSA? Call askLela's FAFSA HELPLINE.
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2 WAYS TO WIN *Lela Scholarships!*

\$2,000
in Scholarships to be Awarded!

① FAFSA COMPLETION

**\$1,000
SCHOLARSHIP!**

*Louisiana High School Seniors, complete your FAFSA and register
for a chance to win a \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP!*

RANDOM DRAWING HELD IN JUNE.

Register @ askLela.org

DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2023

Winners must provide a copy of their FAFSA confirmation page.



② CHOOSE LOUISIANA SCHOLARSHIP

**\$1,000
SCHOLARSHIP!**

Register for a chance to win a \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP!

RANDOM DRAWING HELD IN JANUARY.

Register @ askLela.org

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 31, 2022



**Winner must be enrolled in a college or
university in Louisiana or a Louisiana
resident attending an out of state
college. See full guidelines @ lela.org.**

Schedule a FAFSA Completion Session



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