FAFSA Information Sheet

Video Link: FAFSA Overview

To Complete FAFSA, parents will need:

For FSA ID (see next page for how to create your FSA ID)	For FAFSA Application
Social Security Number, phone number, personal email address	- FSA ID -2022 Tax returns (use income information if taxes not filed) -records of child support -current balances of cash, savings, and checking accounts -net worth of business, farms, and investments -if married, partner's DOB, SSN, email (this does not make them financially responsible - they still have to fill out a section)

Which parent's information must be included on the FAFSA?

- → Parents are married Both parents
- → Parents are divorced (not remarried) Only parent who provides the most financial support
- → Parents are divorced (remarried) Parent and step-parent who provides most financial support
- → Parents were never married (don't live together) Only parent who provides most financial support
- → Parents are not married (DO live together) Both parents

To Complete FAFSA Application, students will need:

-FSA ID

-parents name, date of birth, social security number, email address to invite them to fill out the form as a contributor

-the financial information of the contributor (best to do this together!)

How To Create Your FSA ID

(First step in completing the FAFSA)

- 1. Go to <u>studentaid.gov</u> (no www)
- 2. Click Create Account in top right corner
- 3. Click Get Started
- 4. **STEP 1**: Fill in your contact information, including your social security number. The name should match what is on your social security card.
 - **STEP 2**: create a username/password <u>DO NOT</u> use your Messmer email address. Use a personal email address.
 - **STEP 3**: Use the address your mail comes to which is your permanent address. Click "YES" to agree to use your cell phone for account access
 - **STEP 4**: Choose email or regular (postal) mail for your preference to receive communication. *The recommendation is to use email.*

Choose which language you want to view the website's content.

- **STEP 5**: Choose 4 challenge questions and answers. Keep track of your questions and answers in a separate place.
- **STEP 6**: Confirm your information and verify it is correct and click "agree" to the terms and conditions.
- **STEP 7**: Enable two-step verification to protect your account. You will need your cell phone out to receive a text message. Be sure to verify both your phone number and email address. You will need to go into your email to verify.