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K-12 Outreach

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New for 2024-2025 FAFSA

- FAFSA opens December 2023
- Parents are called contributors to FAFSA
- Both student and contributors will need to have a verified FSA ID before beginning FAFSA
 - FSA ID will take 3 -10 days to be verified
- Parents filing joint returns, only 1 parent needs FSA ID
- Parents living together but not filing taxes together, both parents need FSA ID
- If parents divorced or separated, parent who provided the most financial support in the last calendar year will complete the FAFSA
- Federal tax information imported directly into FAFSA from the IRS through Direct Data Exchange
- Both student and contributor must give consent to IRS Direct Data Exchange whether they filed returns or not





Parents without a SSN

- Contributors without a Social Security Number can still create an FSA ID and contribute to their student's FAFSA.
- To create an account they will need to provide their first, middle, last name, and date of birth.
- Select "I don't have a Social Security Number" checkbox.
- Enter your account credentials.
- Enter your contact information.
- Verify your account.



Parent Income

2022 federal tax returns for all parent income

- Non-taxed income is not reported on tax returns
- 1st step in determining Pell Grant eligibility
 - If adjusted gross income is below multiple of Federal Poverty Level income for state and family size, SAI = \$0
 - If the parent is not required to file a federal tax return, SAI = -\$1,500





Parent Assets

- Include all assets a parent owns outside of retirement accounts, primary homes, and insurance policies
 - Including:
 - Checking
 - Savings
 - CDs
 - Brokerage Accounts
 - 529 or college savings plans
 - Value of second properties

Child support received in 2022

- Net worth of business or farm
 - Value of business or farm minus any liabilities owed on business or farm



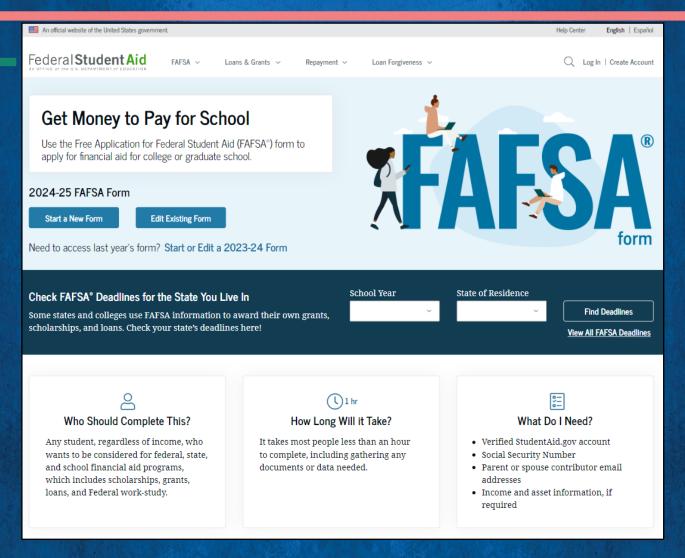
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Dependent Student Onboarding (2 of 4)

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Understanding the FAFSA® Form 2 of 4

Contributors to the FAFSA® Form

Service Spouses

Your answers on the FAFSA form will determine if any contributors need to be identified. These contributors will complete their own sections of the form and are asked to provide personal and financial information, but will not become financially responsible for your education.



How to Invite

Contributors will need to log in with their own FSA ID to provide their information. To invite a contributor to your FAFSA form, you'll need to provide their name, date of birth, Social Security number, and email address.

Information or Documents You May Need \land

You might need the following information or documents as you fill out the FAFSA form:

- Tax returns
- Records of child support received
- Current balances of cash, savings, and checking accounts
- Net worth of investments, businesses, and farms

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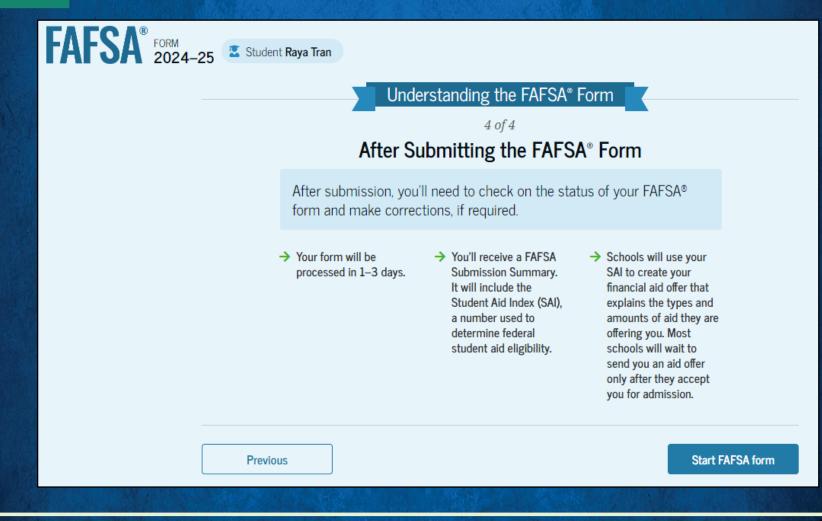






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Dependent Student Identity Information

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Student Identity Information

Review the information below and verify that it's correct before moving forward.

Name

Raya A. Tran

Date of Birth

05/05/1995

Social Security Number

•••-1234

Email Address rayaatran@gmail.com

Mobile Phone Number

(555) 555-5555

To update this information for all federal student aid communications, go to Account Settings.





Dependent Student State of Legal Residence

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Dependent Student Provides Consent



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Introduction: Dependent Personal Circumstances



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Your Personal Circumstances

Tell us about your marital status; your financial dependencies; your plans for college; and any other special circumstances that may impact your aid eligibility (including if you've been homeless or at risk of becoming so).

- → This information can affect how much aid you're eligible to receive.
- → Based on your answers, we may need to collect additional information from other people.

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Dependent Student Marital Status

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Student Marital Status			
Single (Never Married)			
Married (not Separated)			
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Dependent Student College or Career School Plans

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Student College or Career School Plans	
When the student begins the 2024–25 school year, what	will their college grade level be?
 First Year (freshman) 	
Second Year (sophomore)	
Other undergraduate (junior or senior)	
College graduate, professional, or beyond (MBA, M.D., Ph.D., etc.)	
When the student begins the 2024–25 school year, will the	ey have their first bachelor's degree?
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Dependent Student Personal Circumstances

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	Student Personal Circumstances Select all that apply.			
	The student is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training.			
	The student is a veteran of the U.S. armed forces.			
	The student has children or other people (excluding their spouse) who live with them and receive more than half of their support from the student now and between July 1, 20XX and June 30, 20XX.			
	At any time since the student turned 13, they were an orphan (no living biological or adoptive parent).			
and the second se	At any time since the student turned 13, they were a ward of the court.			
	At any time since the student turned 13, they were in foster care.			
	The student is or was a legally emancipated minor, as determined by a court in their state of residence.			
	The student is or was in a legal guardianship with someone other than their parent or stepparent, as determined by a court in their state of residence.			
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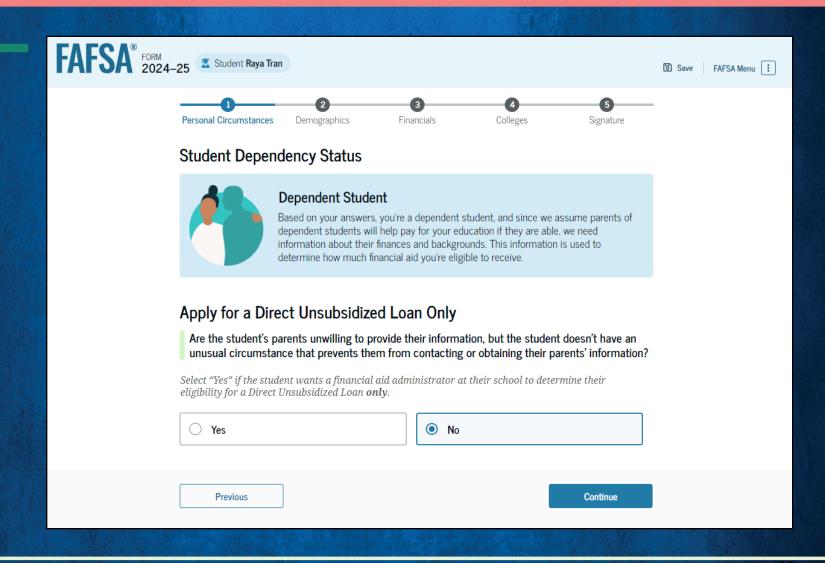
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Student Unusual Circumstances	
This information will help us evaluate the student's ability to pay for school.	
Do unusual circumstances prevent the student from contacting their parents or would contacting their parents pose a risk to the student?	
 A person experiencing unusual circumstances may have: Left home due to an abusive or threatening environment; Been abandoned by or estranged from their parents, and have not been adopted; Been granted refugee or asylee status and are separated from their parents, or their parents are displaced in a foreign country; Been a victim of human trafficking; Been incarcerated, or their parents are incarcerated and contact with them would pose a risk to them; or Been otherwise unable to contact or locate their parents, and have not been adopted. 	
If their circumstances resulted in not having a safe, stable place to live, they may be considered a homeless youth and should review the answer to the previous question about being unaccompanied and homeless.	
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Student Dependency Status: Dependent Student







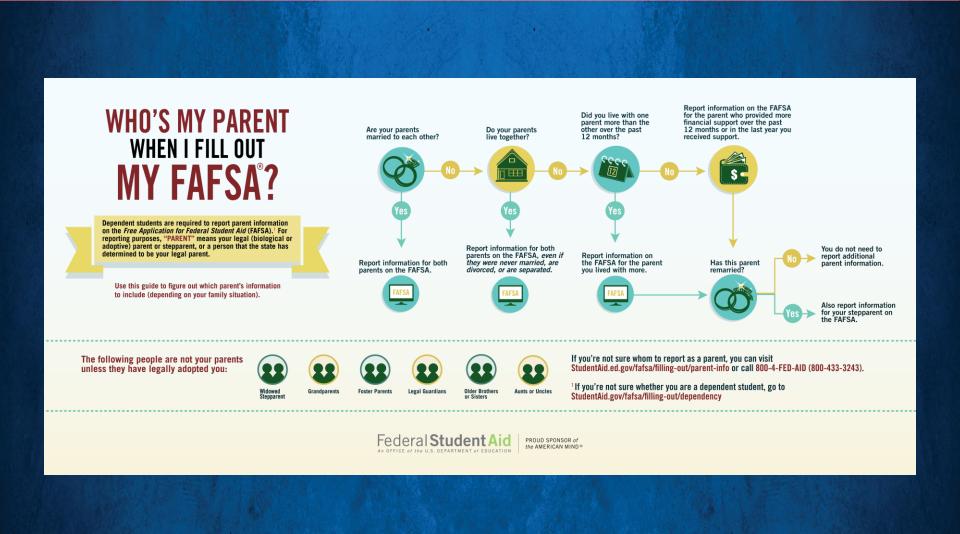
Dependent Student: Tell Us About Your Parents

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Tell Us About Your Parents	
On the FAFSA® form, your "Parent" is your legal (biological or adoptive) parent or stepparent	
who supports you financially.	
Are your parents married to each other?	
Yes No	
You will need to provide information for your parents	
Based on your answers in this section, you'll need to provide information about both of your parents on your FAFSA form. You can invite your parents to your form so they	
can complete their required sections.	





Who's My Parent?







Dependent Student Invites Parents to FAFSA® Form

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Introduction: Dependent Student Demographics



Student Demographics

We'll ask questions about you and your parent(s). Some of these questions will help determine how much federal student aid you may be eligible to receive for school.

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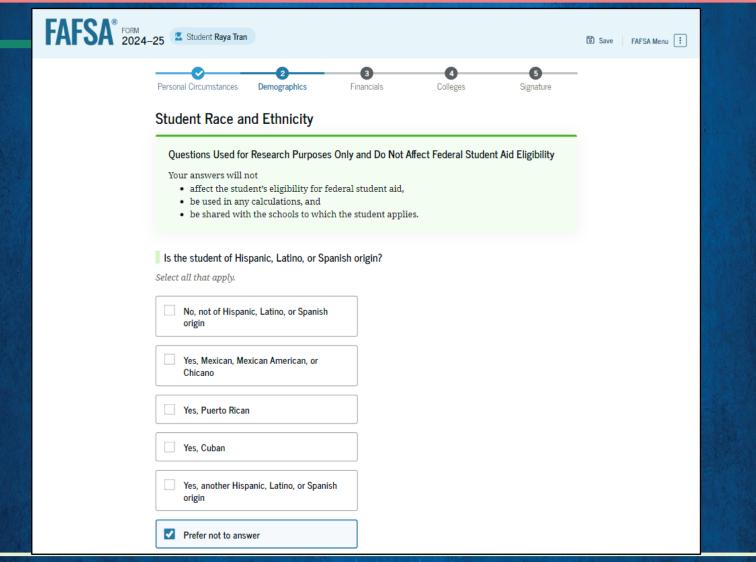
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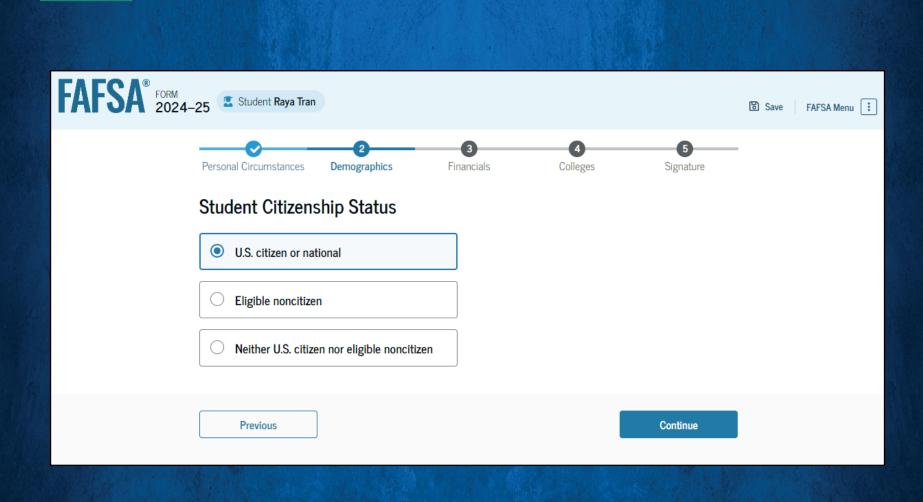


Dependent Student Race and Ethnicity





Dependent Student Citizenship Status







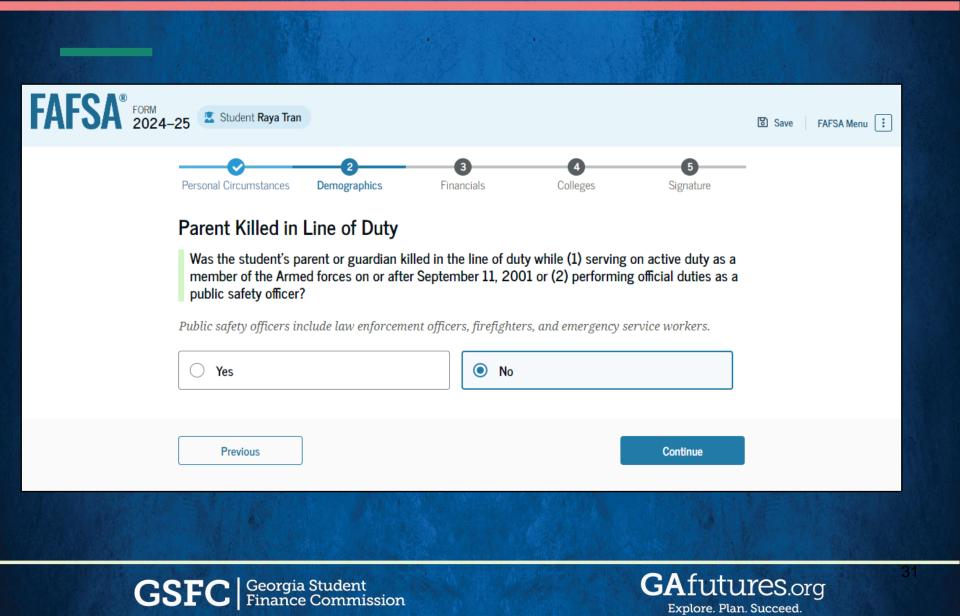
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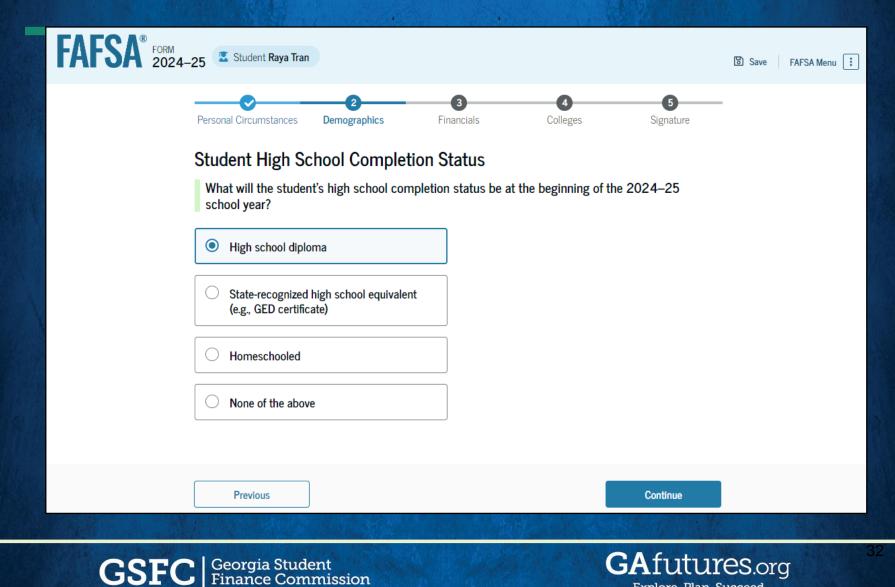




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Dependent Student High School Completion Status



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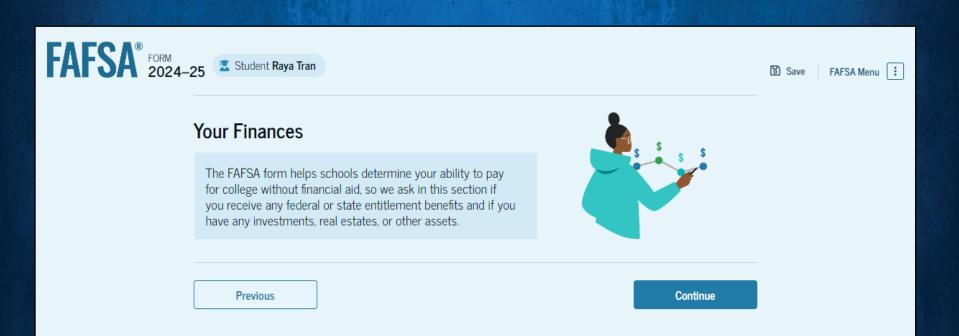
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Introduction: Dependent Student Financials







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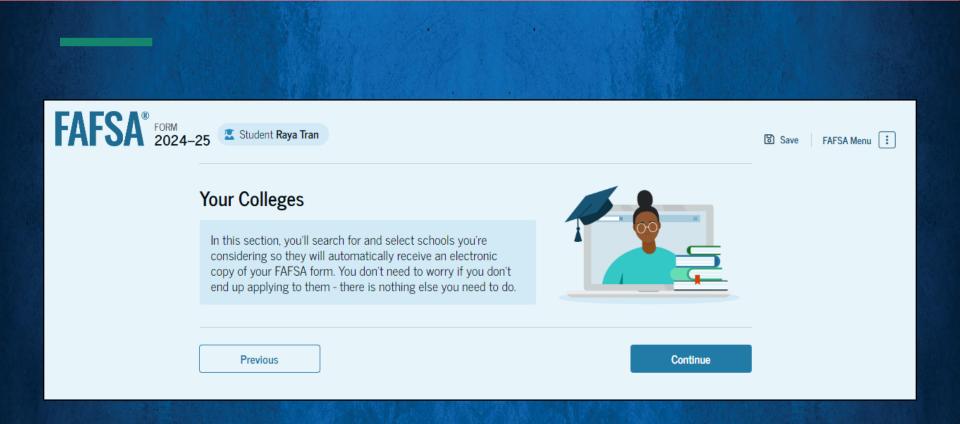
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Introduction: Dependent Student Select Colleges







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Dependent Student College Search

Students can select to send their FAFSA information to a maximum of 20 schools.

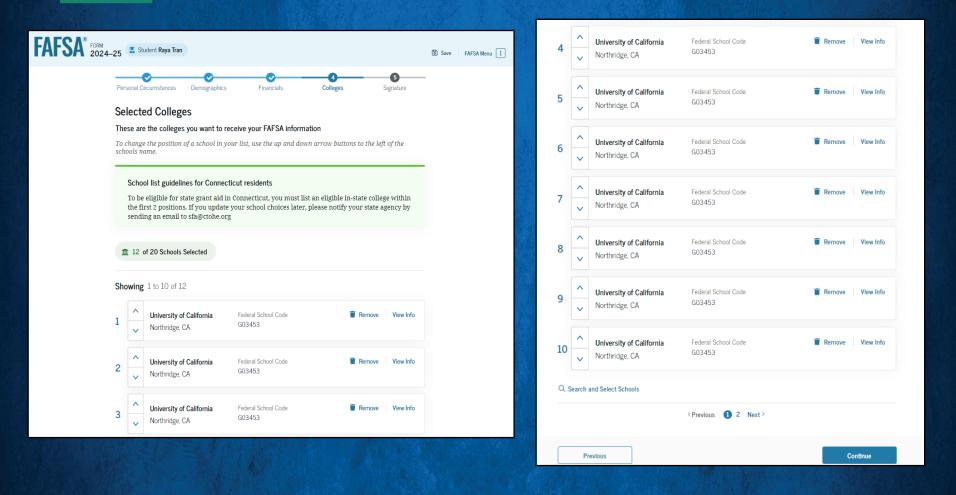
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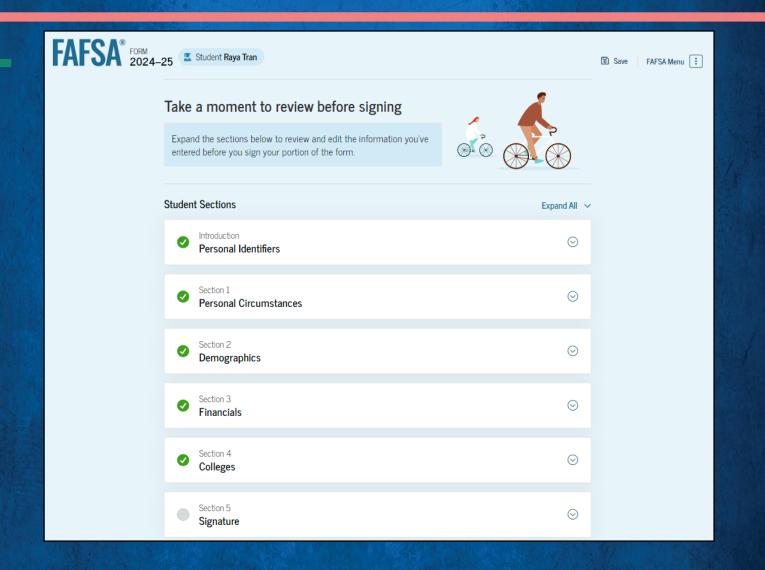
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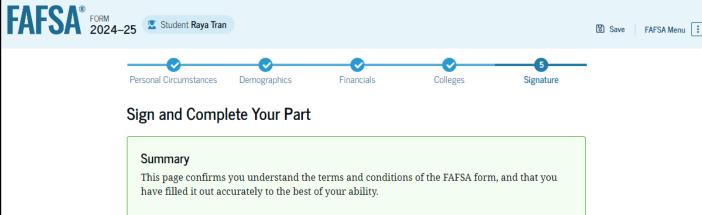
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Dependent Student Signature



The FAFSA form is a legal document you will electronically sign with your FSA ID. Because this is associated with your personal information, do not share it with anyone.

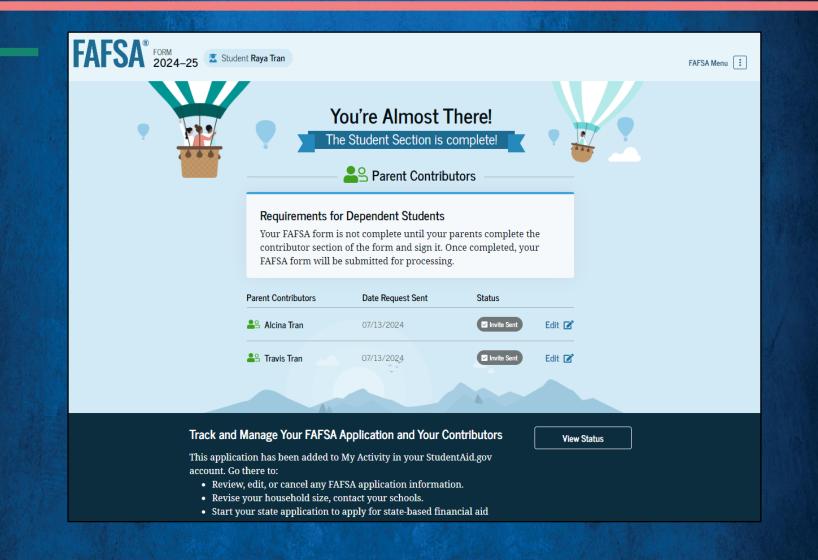
By signing this application electronically using your FSA ID (username and password) and/or any other credential or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, YOU, THE STUDENT, certify that you

- will use federal and/or state student financial aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education,
- are not in default on a federal student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it,
- do not owe money back on a federal student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it,
- will notify your school if you default on a federal student loan, and
- will not receive a Federal Pell Grant from more than one school for the same period of time.





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Dependent Student's Parent Email

Why You Were Invited **Help Complete** Without your input, [StudentFirstName] won't be eligible for federal student aid. [StudentFirstName]'s Form **Reasons To Finish Early** Here's why it's a good idea to finish as soon as possible: States and schools have different deadlines for student aid. Check the "FAFSA® Deadlines" page for more information. You may need extra time to make corrections after [Contributor First Name]. you submit. [StudentFirstName] [StudentLastInitial] can't be eligible for federal student aid without your input. Help them complete the Free O Can't find [StudentFirstname]'s Form? Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form. Read [help topic title]. Providing information as a contributor does not make you financially responsible for [StudentFirstName]'s education costs. Completing the FAFSA form is how they qualify for student Sign up for text alerts to stay updated on our grant Federal Pell Grants. programs, loan forgiveness programs, repayment plans, federal student loans, and information about your loans. · state financial aid, and school financial aid. [Log in with your FSA ID (account username and password) to 🎔 🗗 🖸 🖬 🕩 complete your section.] This email was sent by: Office of Federal Student Aid Note: Forms are deleted after 45 days of inactivity. U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Ave, SW Washington, DC, 20002, US Don't recognize [StudentFirstname]? Read [Help topic title]. Log In email address are not monitored. If you wish to contact us please use the StudentAid.gov contact page. For more nformation about financial aid, visit StudentAid.go



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Dependent Student's Parent Identity Information



Parent Identity Information

Review the information below and verify that it's correct before moving forward.

Name

Alcina Tran

Date of Birth 05/05/1973

Social Security Number

•••-1234

Email Address alcinatran@school.edu

Mobile Phone Number (555) 555-5555

To update this information for all federal student aid communications, go to Account Settings.

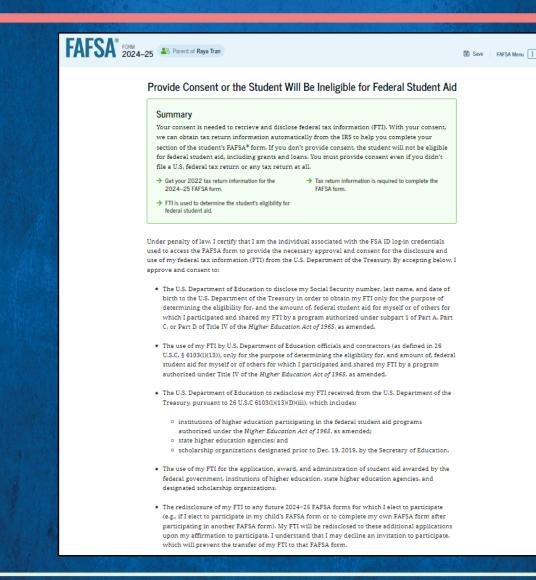




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Introduction: Dependent Student's Parent Demographics

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Demographics About You

We'll ask about your marital status, college students in your household, and legal residence.

This is because most dependent students receive support from their parents, and this affects how much they're able to pay for school.

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Introduction: Dependent Student's Parent Financials

FAFSA[®] FORM 2024–25 Parent of Raya Tran

Your Finances

The FAFSA form helps schools determine the student's ability to pay for college without financial aid, so we ask in this section if you receive any federal or state entitlement benefits and if you have any investments, real estates, or other assets.



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Federal Benefits Received	
Questions Don't Affect Federal Student Aid Eligibility Your answers to these questions will not affect the student's eligibility for federal student aid or these federal benefits.	
At any time during 2022 or 2023, did the parent or anyone in their family receive benefits from any of the following federal programs? ③	
Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)	
Federal Housing Assistance	
Free or Reduced Price School Lunch	
Medicaid	
Refundable Credit for Coverage Under a Qualified Health Plan (QHP)	
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	
None of these apply.	
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Dependent Student's Parent Tax Filing Status

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Dependent Student's Parent Family Size

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Family Size			
Is the parent's family size differen	t from the number of individuals	claimed on their 2022 tax	
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• Yes	O No		
The parent's family	size is 3		
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Dependent Student's Parent Number in College

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Dependent Student's Parent Tax Return Information

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	Parent 2022 Tax Return Information	
	Refer to the parent's 2022 tax return to answer the following questions.	
	Convert all currency to U.S. dollars.	
	Did the parent receive the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)?	
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	Amount of College Grants, Scholarships, or AmeriCorps Benefits Reported as Income to the IRS (optional)	
	The parent paid taxes on these grants, scholarships, or benefits. These usually apply to those renewing their FAFSA® form, not to first-time applicants.	
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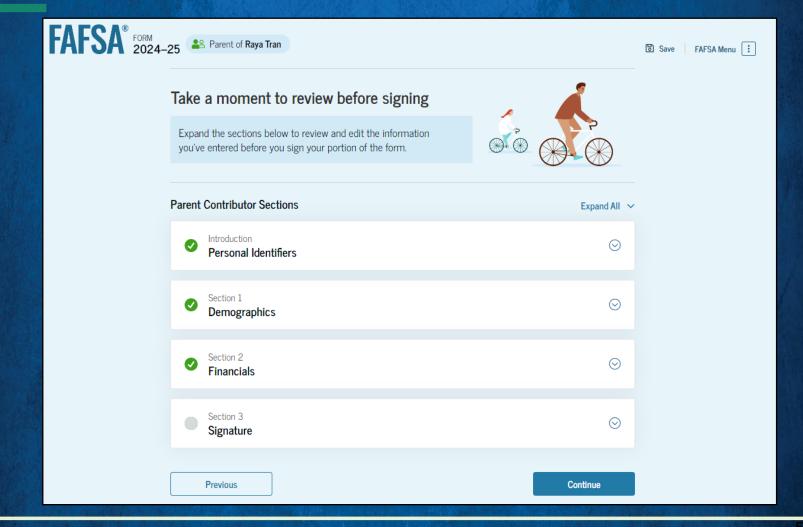
Dependent Student's Parent Assets

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Enter total amount received in child support for the last complete calendar year.
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Enter the net worth of your businesses or for-profit agricultural operations. Net worth is the value of your businesses or farms minus any debts owed against them.
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Dependent Student's Parent Signature



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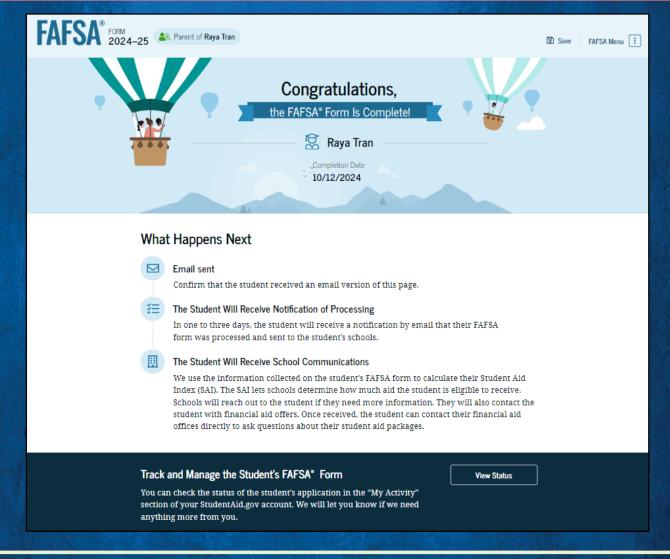


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Dependent Student FAFSA[®] Confirmation







FAFSA Submission Summary





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Eligibility Overview

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Learn more about financial aid



Keep in mind, this is only an estimate

Always refer to your school's financial aid offer for a final determination of financial aid available.





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Eligibility Overview (Continued)

Your Student Aid Index (SAI)

Your SAI is a number used by your school to determine your federal student aid eligibility and to build your financial aid offer

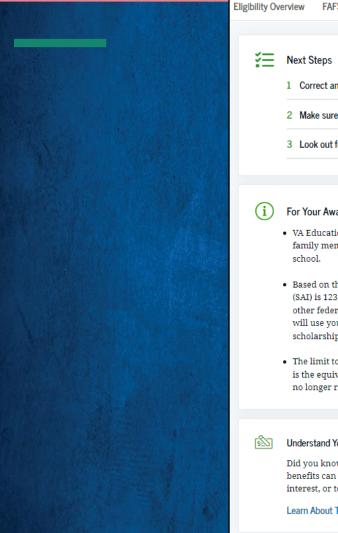
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What does this mean?





Next Steps



School Information Next Steps FAFSA Form Answers 1 Correct any errors on your FAFSA® form 2 Make sure your schools have everything they need \odot 3 Look out for aid-related communications from your schools

For Your Awareness

- VA Education and Training Benefits help veterans, service members, and their family members with needs like paying college tuition or finding the right
- · Based on the information we have on record for you, your Student Aid Index (SAI) is 123,456,789. You may be eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant and other federal student aid. Your college's or career school's financial aid office will use your SAI to determine your eligibility for other types of grants, scholarships, work-study funds, and loans
- The limit to the total amount of Federal Pell Grants that a student may receive is the equivalent of six school years. Once you've reached that limit, you can no longer receive a Federal Pell Grant.

Understand Your Tax Benefits

Did you know that the IRS provides tax benefits for education? These tax benefits can be used to get back some of the money you spend on tuition or loan interest, or to maximize your college savings.

Learn About Tax Benefits





Federal Student Aid

More Resources

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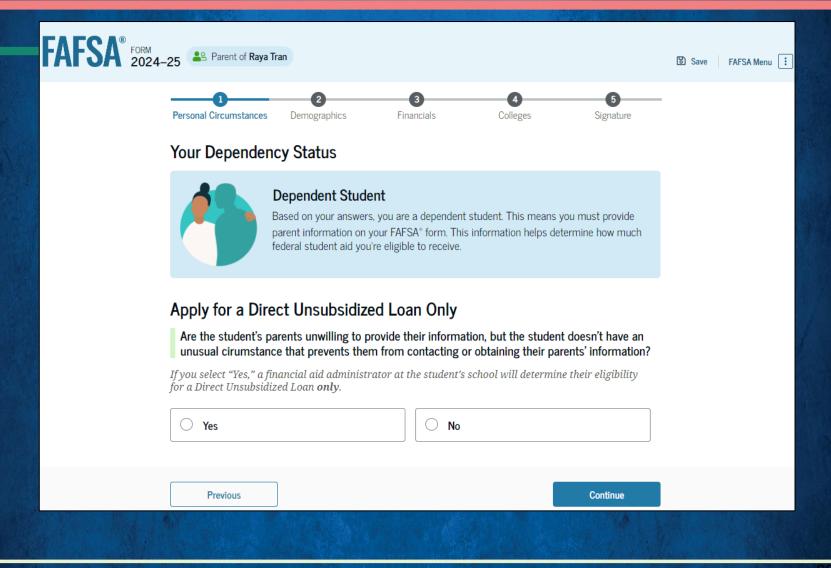


Dependent Student and Direct Unsubsidized Loan





Dependency Status: Dependent Student







Provisionally Independent Student





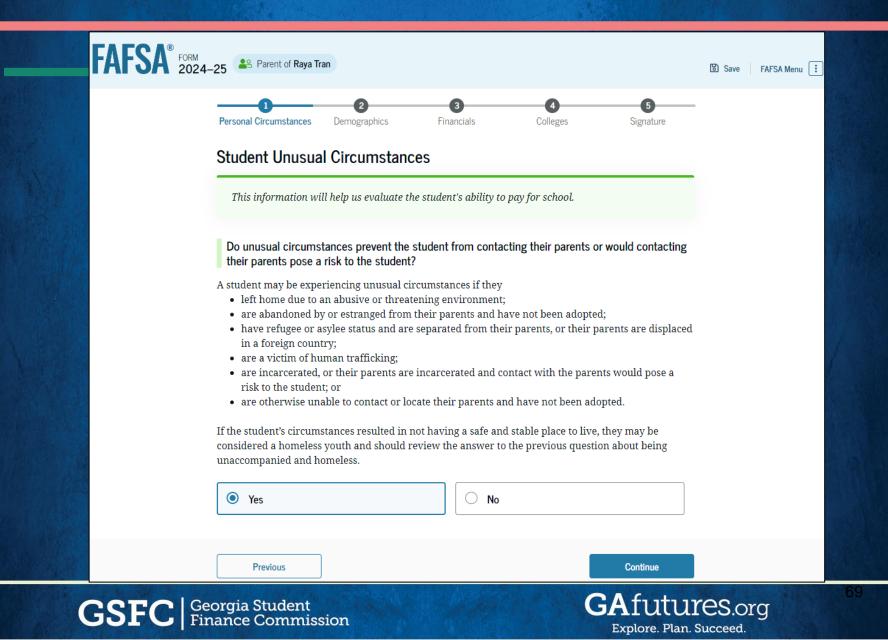
Student Other Circumstances

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	Student Other Circumstances		
	At any time on or after July 1, 2023, was the student unaccompanied and either (1) homeless or (2) self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?		
	● Yes ○ No		
	Did any of the following determine the student was homeless or at risk of becoming homeless? Select all that apply.		
	Director or designee of an emergency or transitional shelter, street outreach program, homeless youth drop-in center, or other program serving those experiencing homelessness		
	The student's high school or school district homeless liaison or designee		
	Director or designee of a project supported by a federal TRIO or GEAR UP program grant		
	Financial aid administrator (FAA)		
	None of these apply.]	
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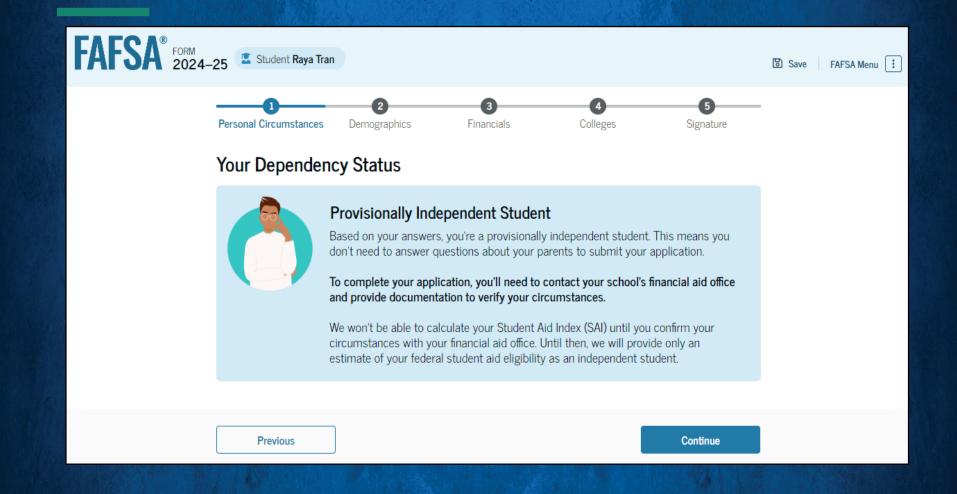




Student Unusual Circumstances



Impact of Provisionally Independent Status







Special Circumstances

Examples of Special Circumstances:

- Change in employment status
- Medical expenses not covered by insurance
- Change in parent marital status
- Unusual dependent care expenses
- Student cannot obtain parent information





Additional Resources





Additional Resources

- GAfutures.org
- GSFC.org
- StudentAid.gov
 - Prepare for College
 - Types of Aid
 - Who Gets Aid
 - Apply for Aid
 - Repay Your Loans







Federal Student Aid Resources

Federal Student Aid Knowledge Center
 https://fsapartners.ed.gov/knowledge-center

Federal Student Aid Financial Aid Toolkit
https://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/





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