

Starting the FAFSA Application Process... October 1st FAFSA Opens. **What information will you need to start a FAFSA application?**

Students and parents will need a valid email to create a FSA ID. The FSA ID is used to sign the FAFSA.

- Students **Legal Name** (Name as printed on the social security card) & **Social Security Number**
- At least one Parents **Legal Name & Social Security Number** or Alien Registration Number (if they are not a U.S. citizen)
- Student and Parents **Date of Birth**
- Month and year of parents latest marriage, divorce, separation ( whatever one applies)
- 1040 Tax forms W2's, 1099's if applicable (**2016 Tax Returns**) for students and parents. You will be able to transfer your federal tax return information into your FAFSA using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool.  
\* For families with complicated tax info and/or higher income, additional information might be required.