

About Your Trainer



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Learning Objectives

By the end of today's training, you will be able to:

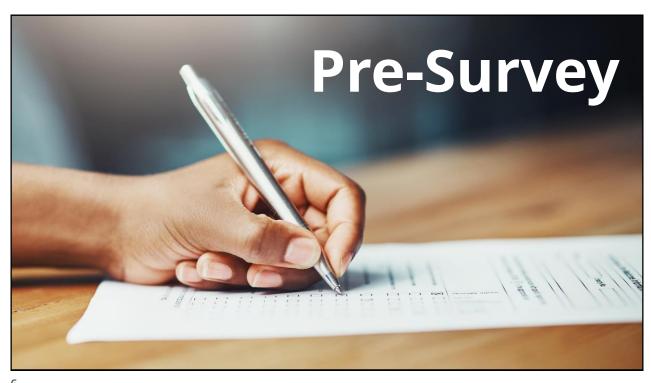
- Determine who should be reported as the parent(s) on a dependent student's FAFSA
- Complete the financial sections for different family financial situations
- Identify key resources for supporting accurate FAFSA completion

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FAFSA Part 2 Agenda

- Pre-Survey
- Parent Information
- Household Size
- Financial Information
- Submission & Follow-Up
- Post-Survey & Evaluation



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Parent Information



Who's Considered a Parent?

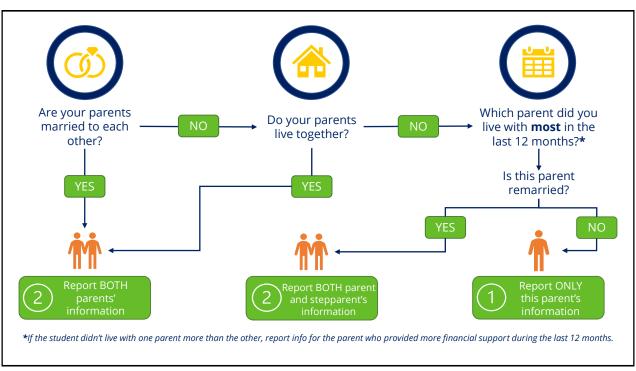


- Biological parent
- Adoptive parent
- A person that the state has determined to be the student's legal parent



Should a grandparent, foster parent, older sibling, aunt/uncle or legal guardian *ever* be reported as the parent on the FAFSA?

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Married or Separated?



 Parents are legally married but live separately and no longer consider themselves to be a couple.

Answer: Separated

 Parents are legally married but live separately because dad works in another country.

Answer: Married

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Who's the FAFSA Parent?



 Mateo's parents are divorced, and he lives with his dad who recently remarried. His parents take turns claiming him on their taxes.

Answer: Dad and stepparent

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Who's the FAFSA Parent?



 Josephine is living with her grandparents who support her financially. She is in contact with her parents who live outside the country.

Answer: Parents

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Who's the FAFSA Parent?



Trey was in foster care between ages 6 and 11.
 They are now 19 and live with their uncle, who adopted them.

Answer: Uncle

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Who's the FAFSA Parent?



 Angel lives with his grandfather. His parents are separated and live out of state. His mother sends him a monthly allowance.

Answer: Mom

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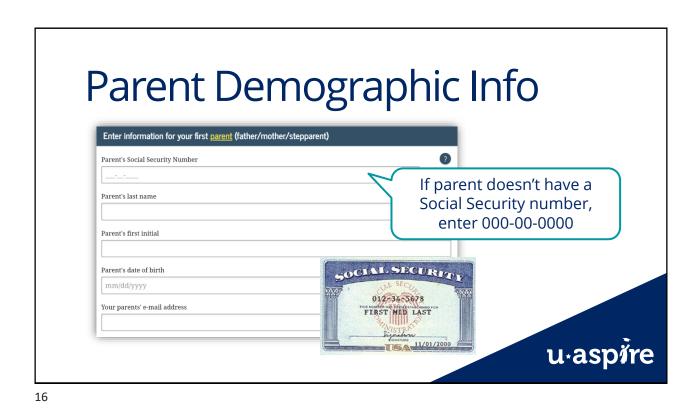
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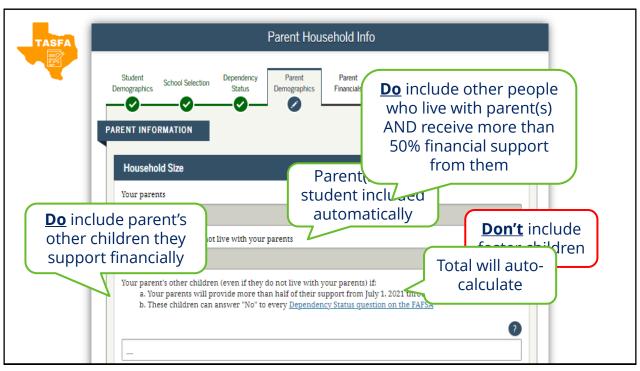
 Rachel and her parents live with her aunt. Her aunt claimed Rachel as a dependent on her 2020 taxes.

Answer: Parents



Household Size





FAFSA Household Size?



 Giovanni lives with his parents and two younger siblings. His parents provide most of the financial support for Giovanni's grandma who lives nearby.

Answer: 5 - Giovanni, parents, two siblings

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FAFSA Household Size?



 Raj lives with their dad. Raj's 19-year-old sister is a college sophomore. She lives on campus during the school year and comes home during summer break.

Answer: 3 - Raj, dad, sister

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FAFSA Household Size?



 Nadia lives with her mom, aunt, and younger cousin. Nadia's aunt is unemployed, and her mom supports the entire family financially.

Answer: 4 - Nadia, mom, aunt, cousin

FAFSA Household Size?



 Nadia lives with her mom, aunt, and cousin.
 Her aunt recently got a job and now supports herself and Nadia's cousin.

Answer: 2 - Nadia, mom

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Number in College



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How many people in your parents' household (as reported above) will be college students between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022? Do not include your parents.

Include

- Student
- Others who will be enrolled at least half-time

Do not include

- Parent(s)
- Students attending
 U.S. service academies

Financial Information



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Most Common Scenarios



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Parent(s) don't file taxes

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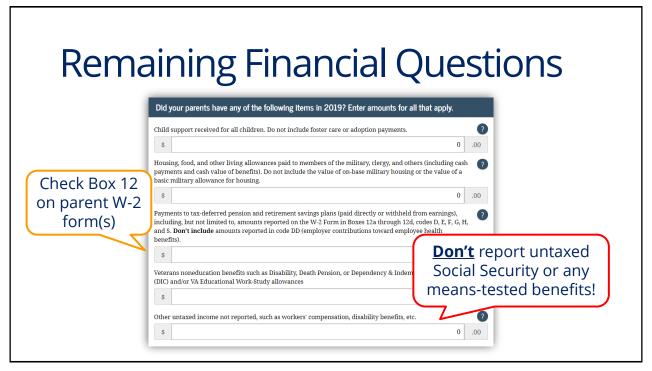
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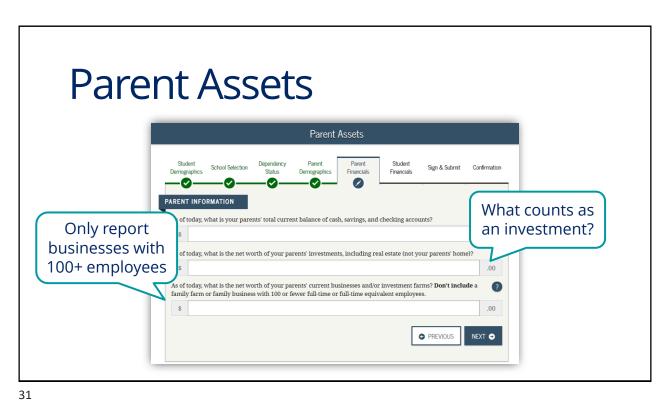
- Transfers tax info directly from IRS into FAFSA
- Satisfies federal verification for tax-based questions



ALL eligible filers should use this tool!

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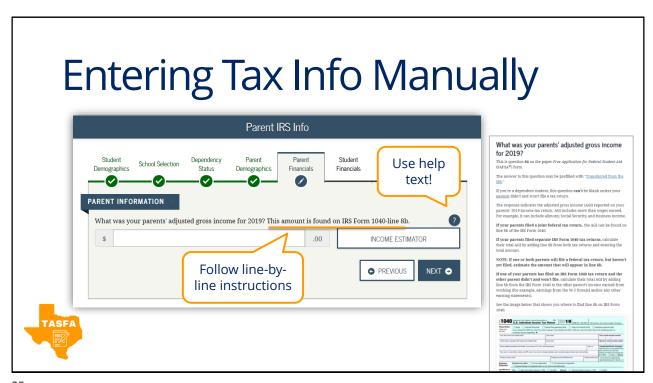


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Ineligible to use IRS DRT

- Filed as "Married Filing Separately"
- Unmarried and both legal parents living together
- Married and filed as "Head of Household"
- Recent change in marital status
- Filed a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return
- ▼ Filed using an ITIN
- Victim of identity theft



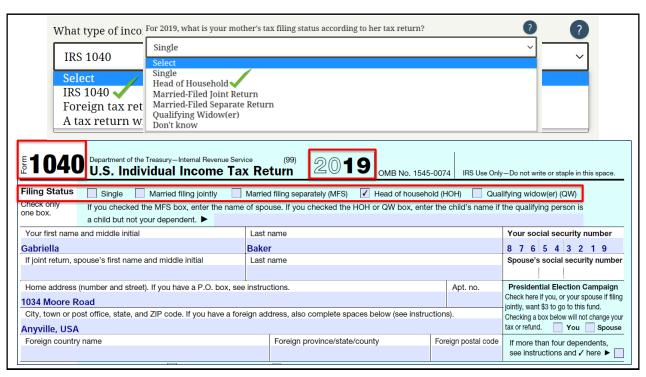
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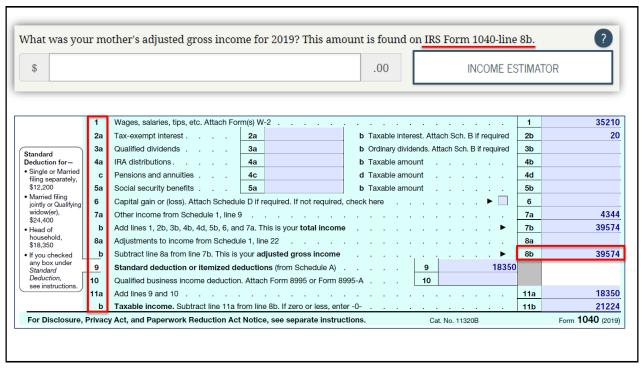
• CJ Baker lives with his mom Gabriella. She filed as Head of Household in 2019.

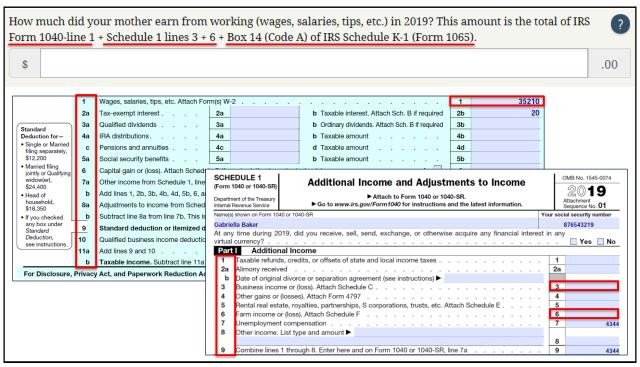


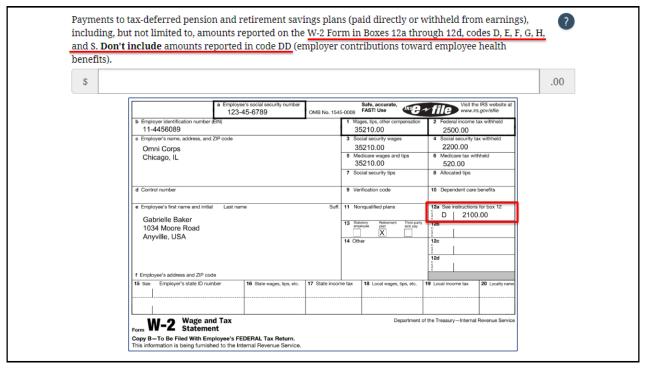
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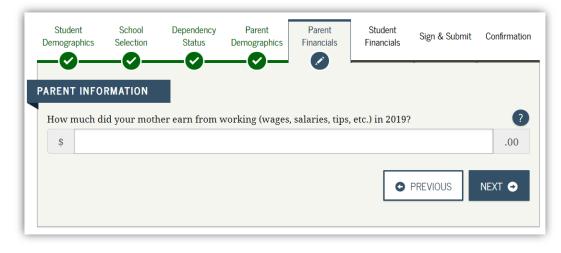
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Reporting Earned Income



Tricky Scenario



 Adrian's dad is undocumented. His dad earned \$5,000 in cash in 2020. How does Adrian navigate the parent financial section?

Report \$5,000 earned income from work

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Tricky Scenario



 Jessica's parents are married. Together they earned \$60,000 in 2020. They have not filed their 2020 taxes. How should they navigate the financial section?

They should file ASAP so Jessica can be eligible for aid.

2020 Tax Filing Chart Students must file if they earned more **THEN** than the threshold if your AND at the end of 2020 you incom IF your filing status is... were...* least...* under 65 \$12,400 single 65 or older \$14,050 head of household under 65 \$18,650 65 or older \$20,300 married, filing jointly \$24,800 under 65 (both spouses) \$26,100 65 or older (one spouse) 65 or older (both spouses) \$27,400 married, filing separately any age \$5 qualifying widow(er) under 65 \$24,800

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Student Financial Questions

65 or older



What If Income Has Changed?

- The student can submit an appeal to the financial aid office
- Financial aid administrators can use "professional judgement" to adjust the student's financial aid





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Resources: Financial Info



Federal Student Aid Information Center

1-800-433-3243 or live chat



Free tax preparation assistance

https://irs.treasury.gov/freetaxprep/



Free and low-cost immigration legal support

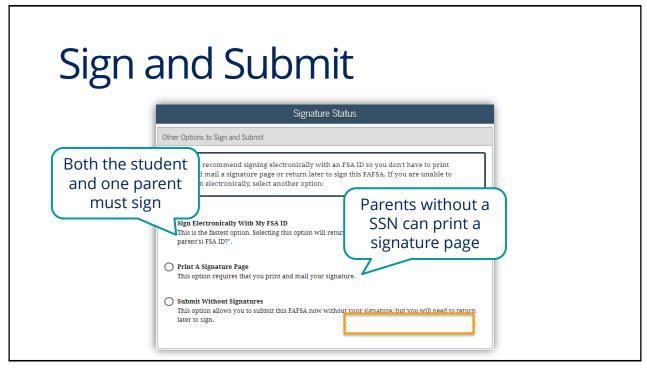
ImmigrationLawHelp.org

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Submission & Follow-Up

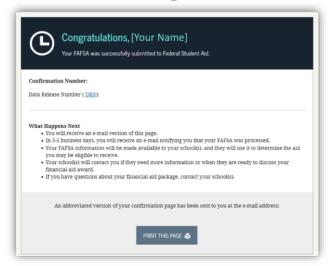


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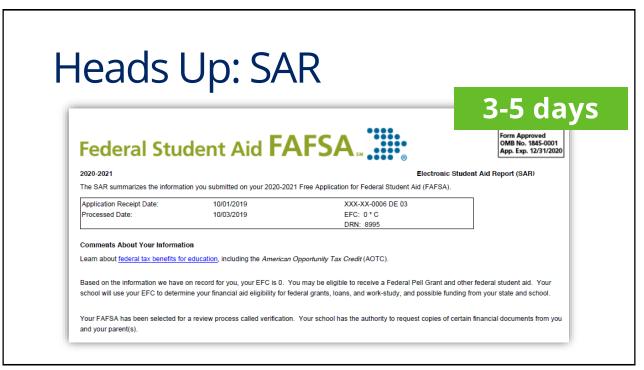


Review Confirmation Page

- Estimated EFC
- Estimated Pell eligibility
- College list
- Sibling transfer



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Tool: After the FAFSA



Financial Aid Timeline — After the Financial Aid Offer

Make a Tution Deposit (If required)

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You will receive your fail bill was made or you student web portail in June or July, bill due dates vary by college, but you must pay your fail bill before starting dates in september.

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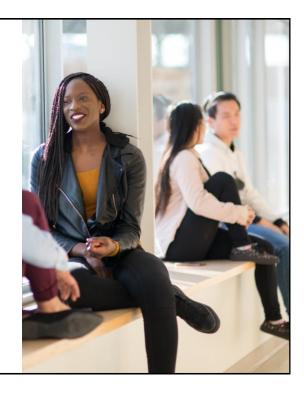
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Post-Survey & Evaluation





Tools Review



- FAFSA Checklist/Financial Aid Timeline
- Student FSA ID FAQ
- After the FAFSA Handout
- PPT Slides & Webinar Recording

Additional Free Resources

Find tools, videos, links and more to use and share with students at <u>uAspire.org</u>



COVID-19 Support

Navigate financial aid and higher ed systems during the COVID-19 crisis with up-to-date resources, including an FAQ



College Cost Calculator

Free online tool that helps students compare financial aid offers and the total costs of attending different colleges



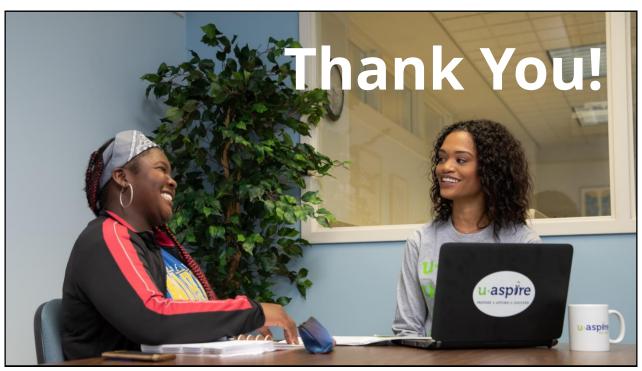
Tools

Checklists, timelines, and phone scripts to help student with applying to college, applying for financial aid, and managing student loans

To learn more, contact Michelle Murphy: michellem@uaspire.org

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