

GOT MONEY?

Applying for FAFSA

Did you know that you must apply for FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) *every academic year*? Many states and colleges rely on the information you provide in your FAFSA to decide whether you qualify for their financial aid programs (like the Oklahoma Promise). Some private organizations also use FAFSA details to determine your eligibility for their aid. If you plan to do a work-study program, they will need your FAFSA information to see whether or not you qualify. Remember, it's first come, first served!

Checklist

You can now complete the FAFSA form at fafsa.gov. Here's what you'll need to access and complete your form:

What you need to fill out FAFSA	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Your StudentAid.gov account
<input type="checkbox"/>	Your contributor information
<input type="checkbox"/>	Your federal income tax return (accessible online)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social Security Number (parent(s) and student)
<input type="checkbox"/>	List of your assets
<input type="checkbox"/>	Driver's License Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	W-2s

TIPS

- ✓ FAFSA can access your federal tax information using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in the application process.
- ✓ Assets represent how much is in your checking and savings accounts, stocks, and bonds.
- ✓ A college or tech school must be listed on the FAFSA to access your information.
- ✓ Visit: StudentAid.gov for more information.

I Used to Think...But Now I Know

Now that you have completed your FAFSA, let's explore other ways to "get money" for college. Think about what you already know about scholarships—finding them, application process, etc. Let's see if you were right! Afterwards, complete the **Scholarship Scavenger Hunt** activity then come back and reflect on what you learned.

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Write down everything you know about scholarships.	Write down everything you learned about scholarships (after completing the scavenger hunt).