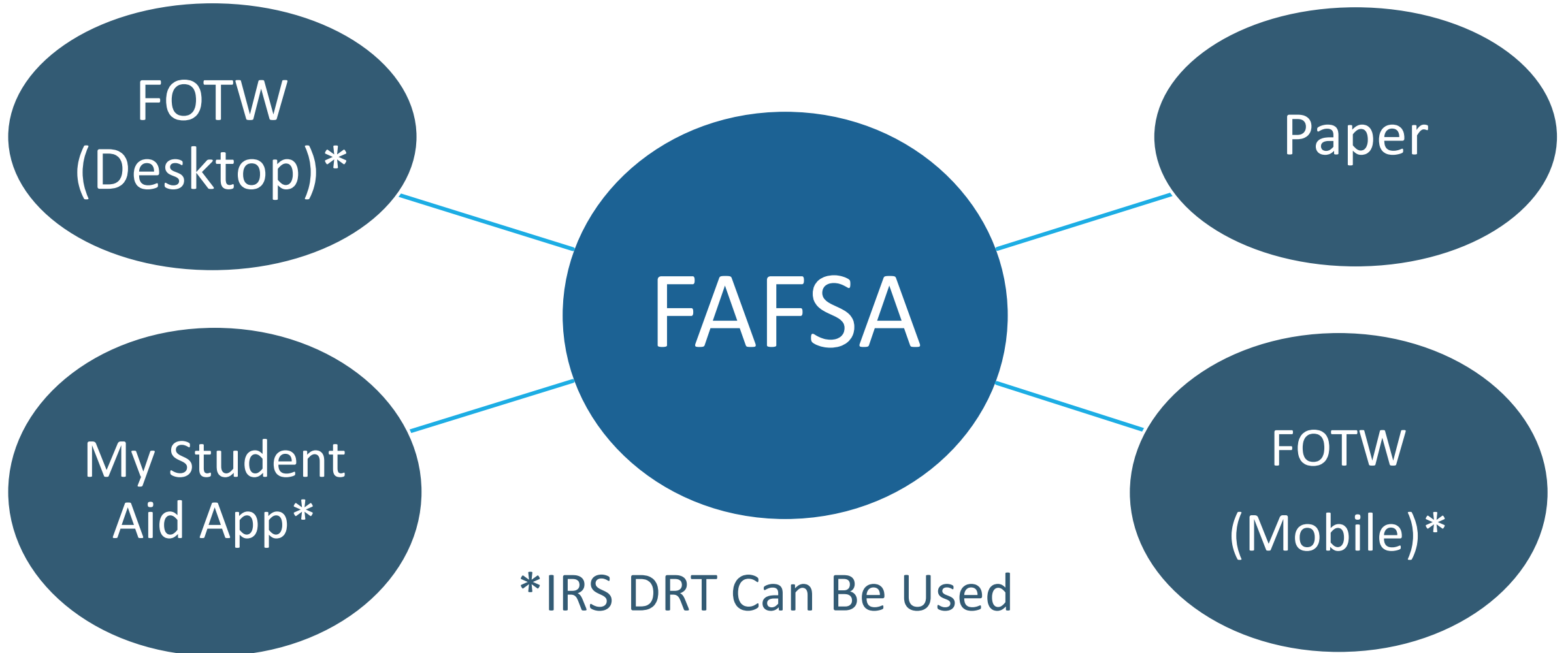


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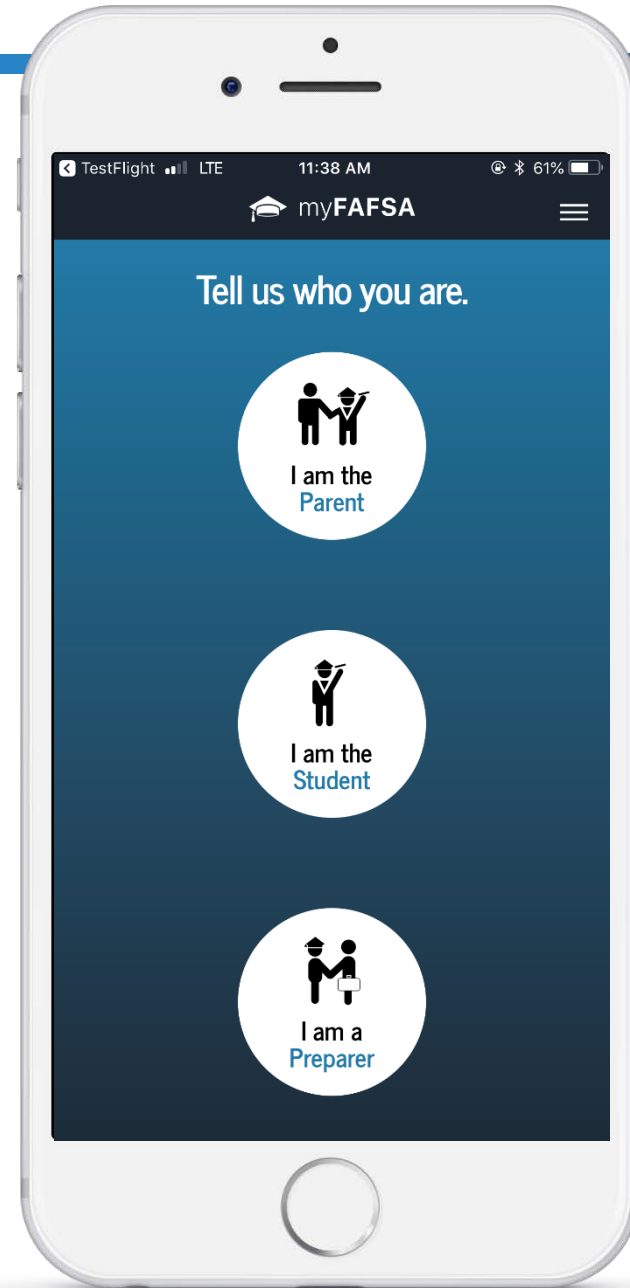
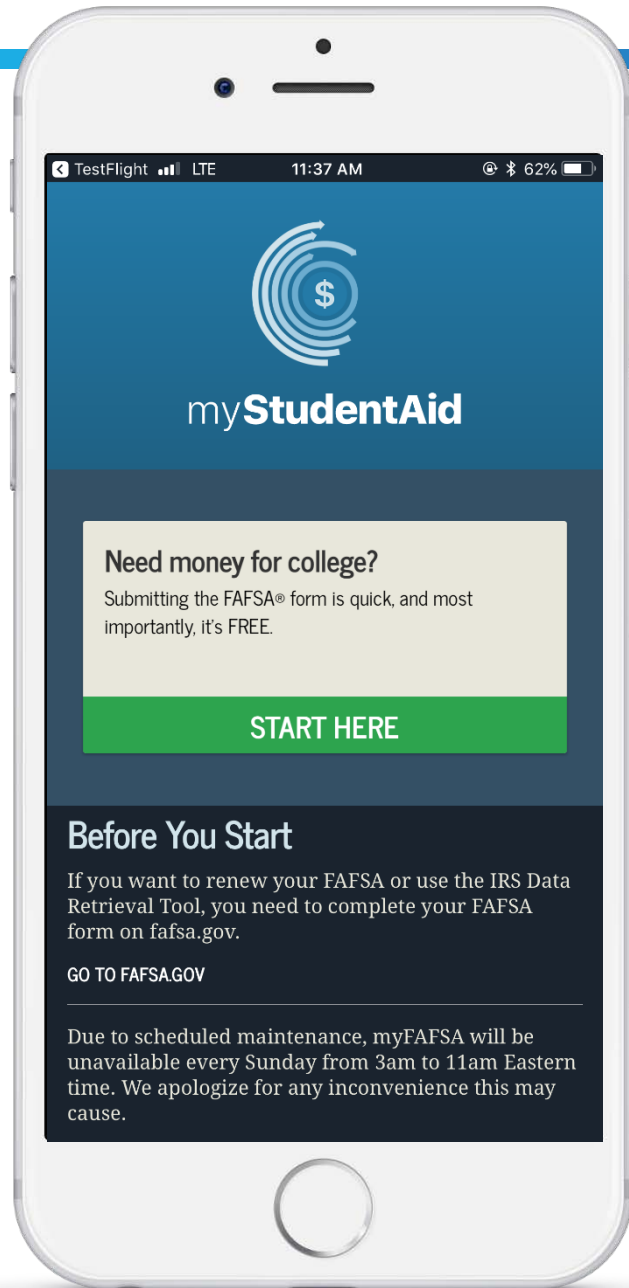
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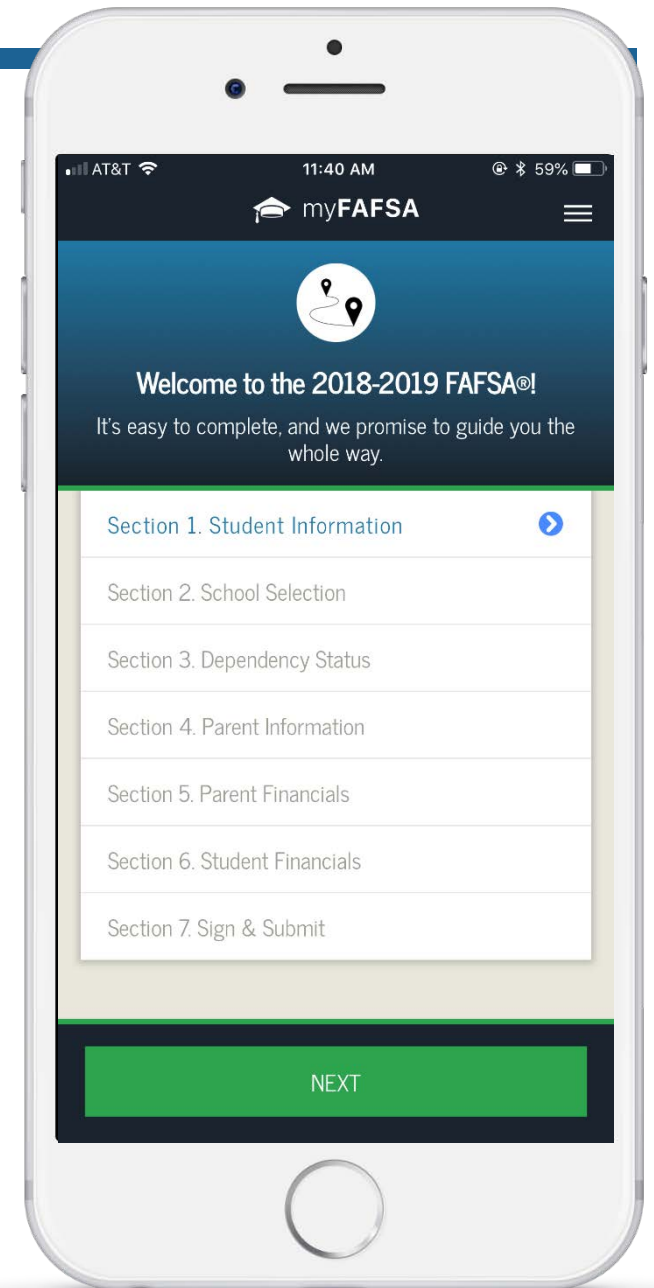
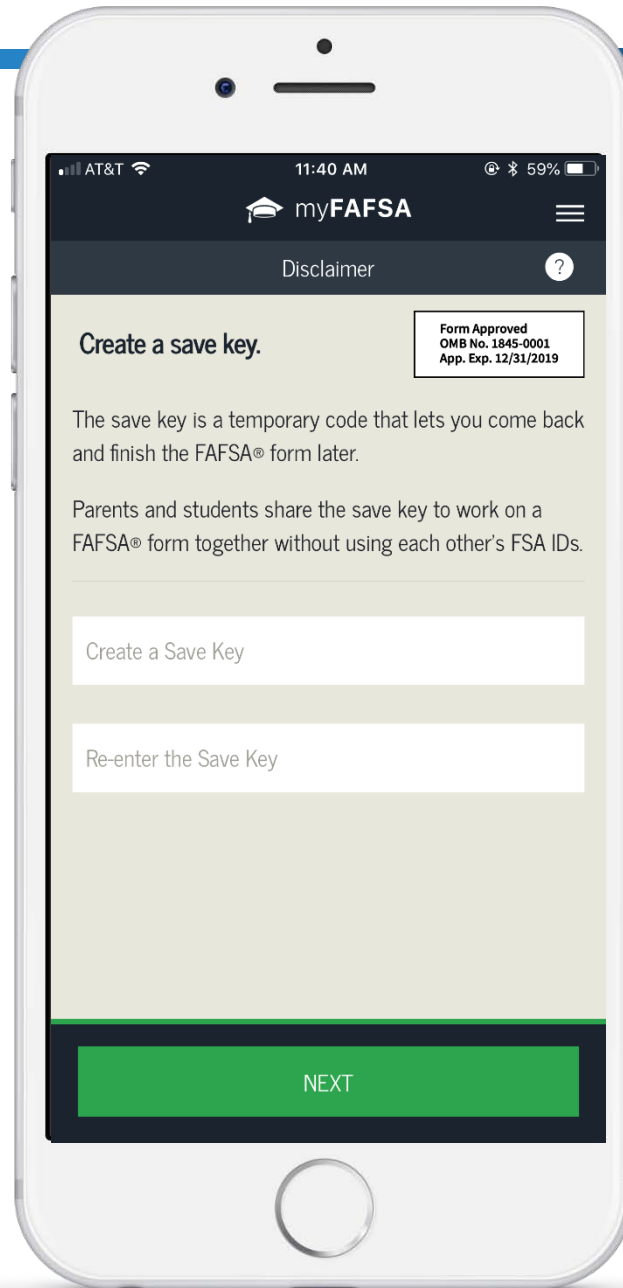
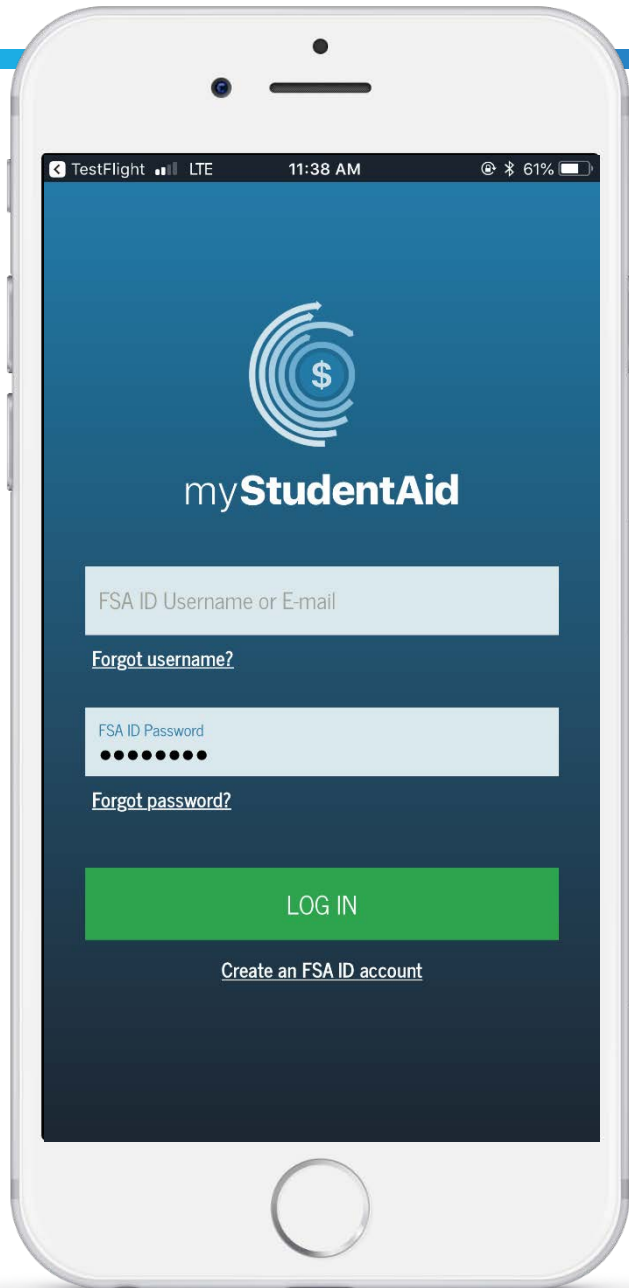


- **Ready for Download: FAFSA[®] Completion on myStudentAid Mobile App**
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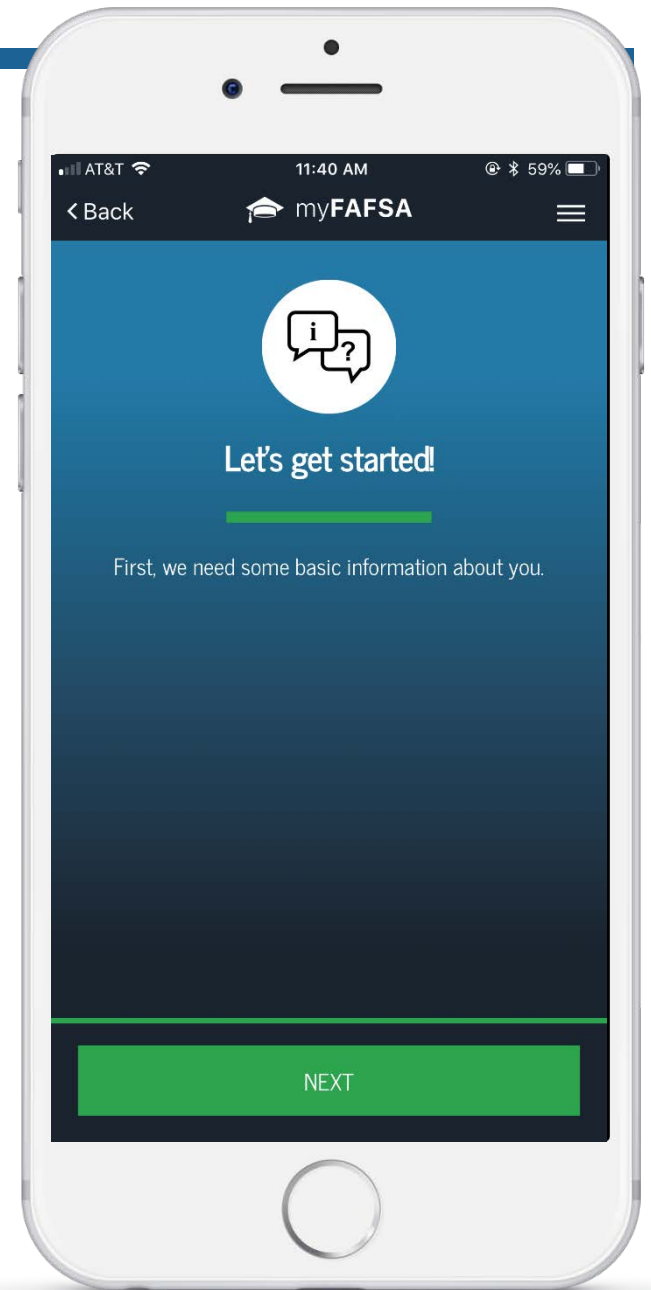
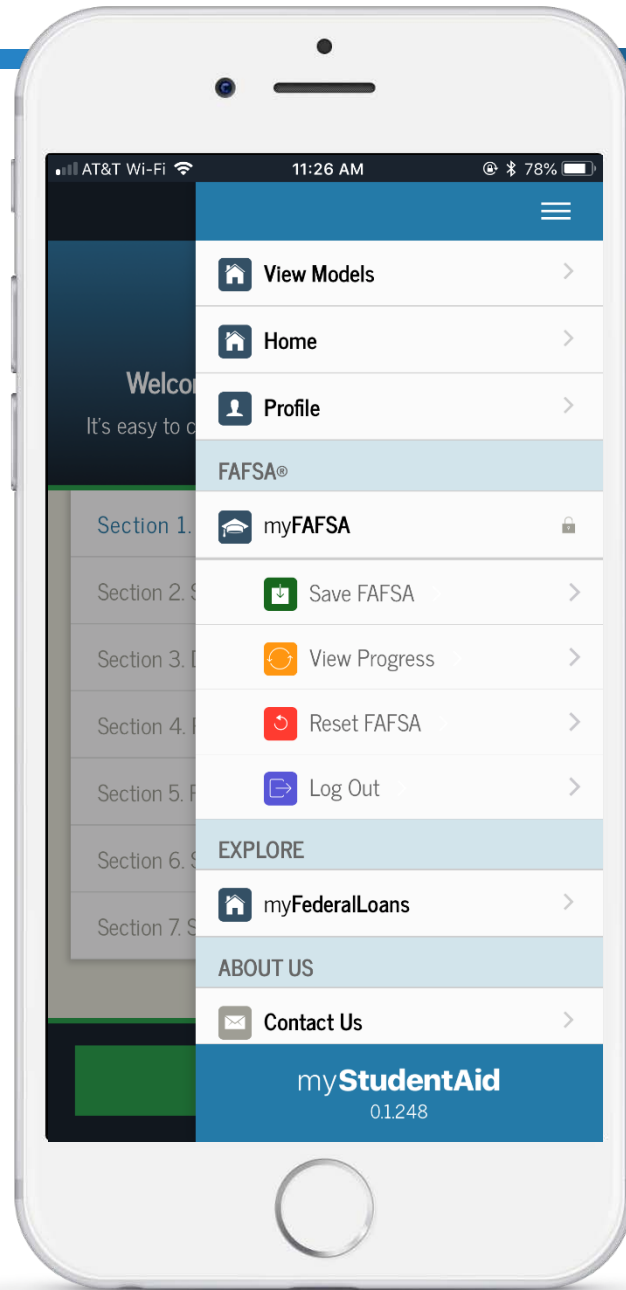
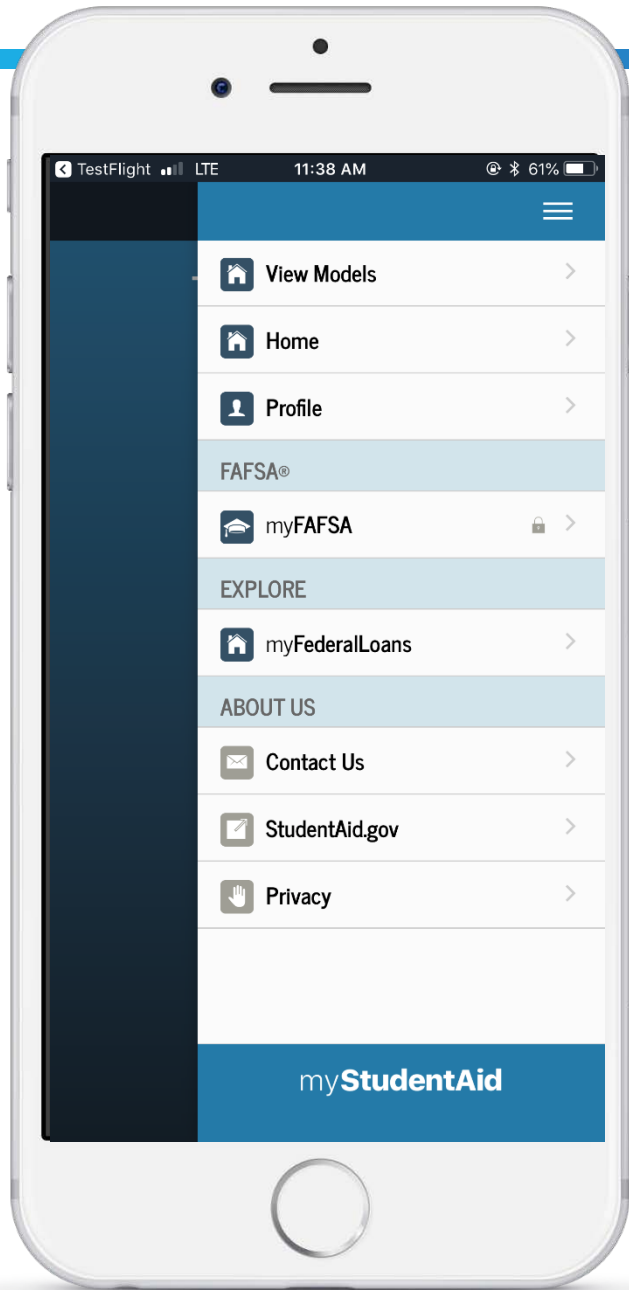
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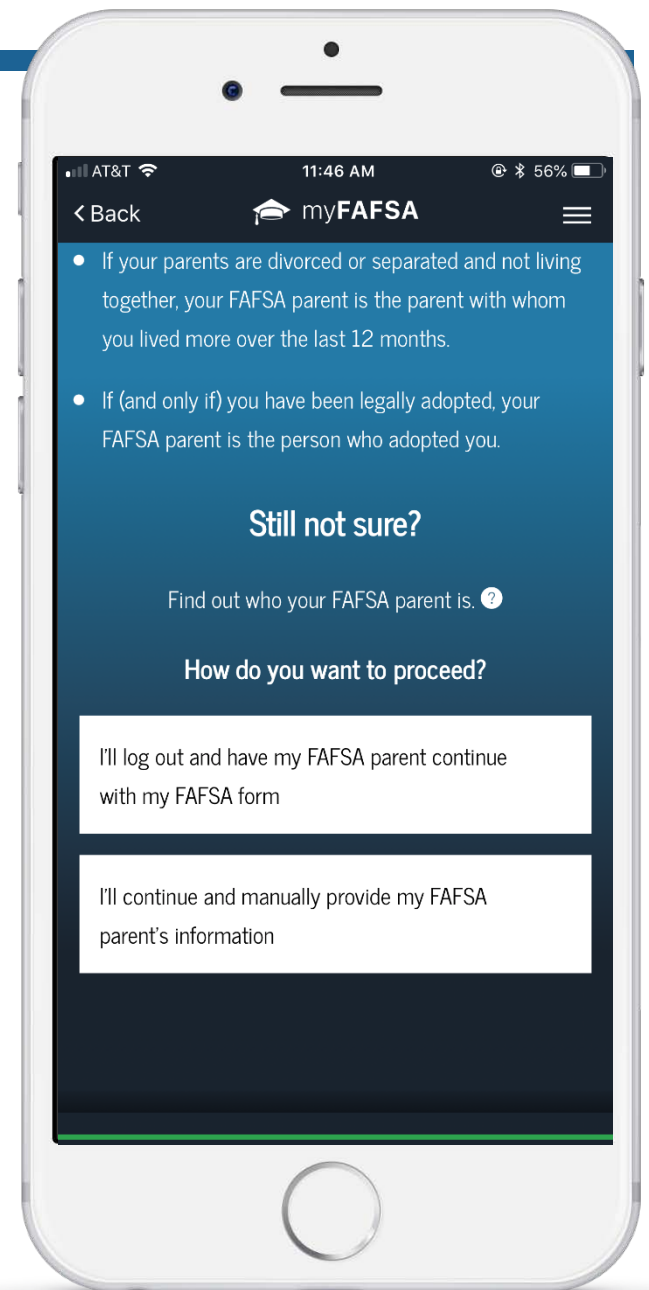
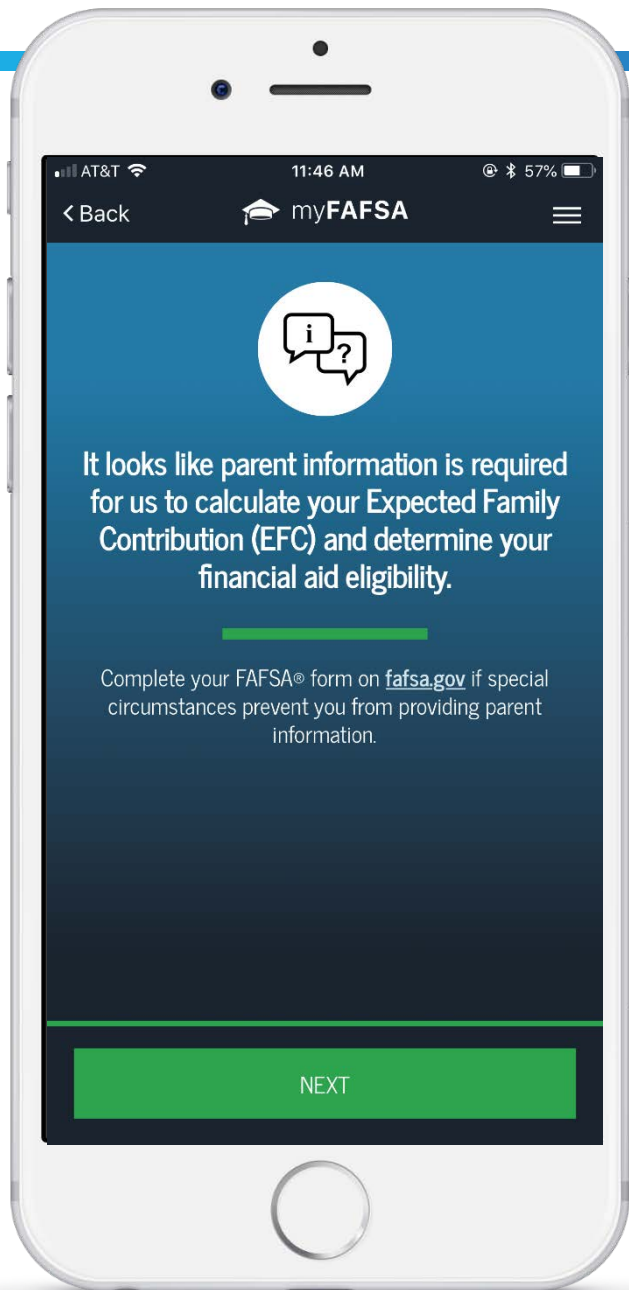
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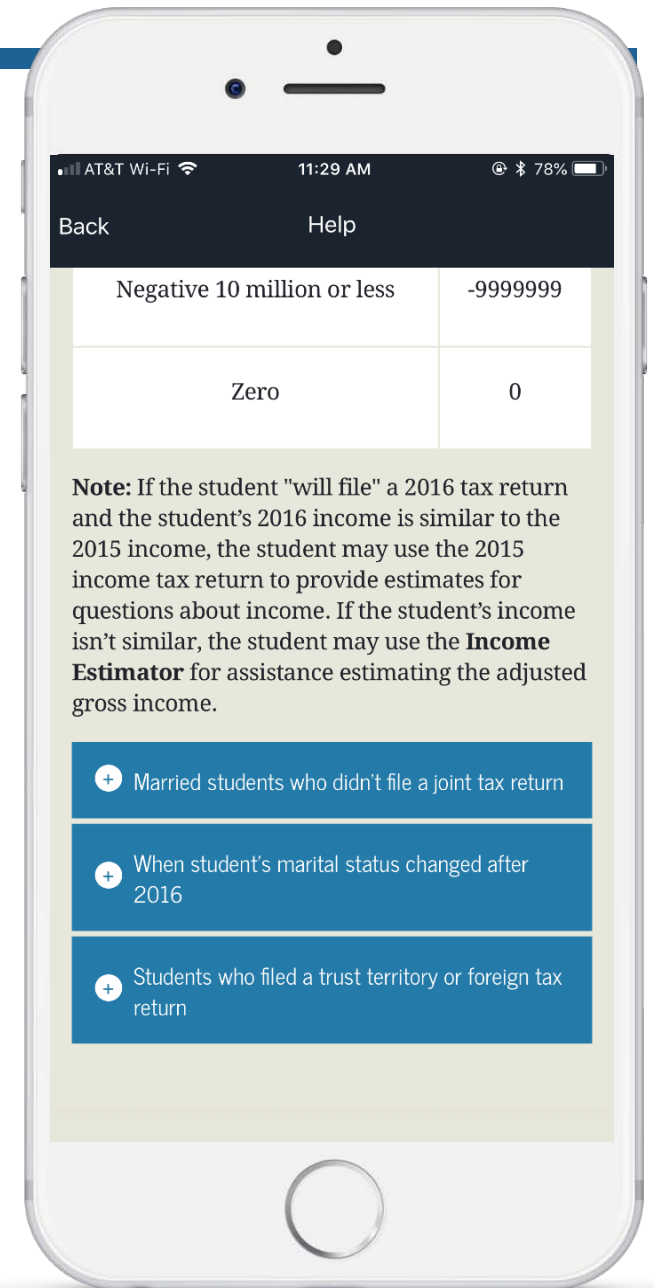
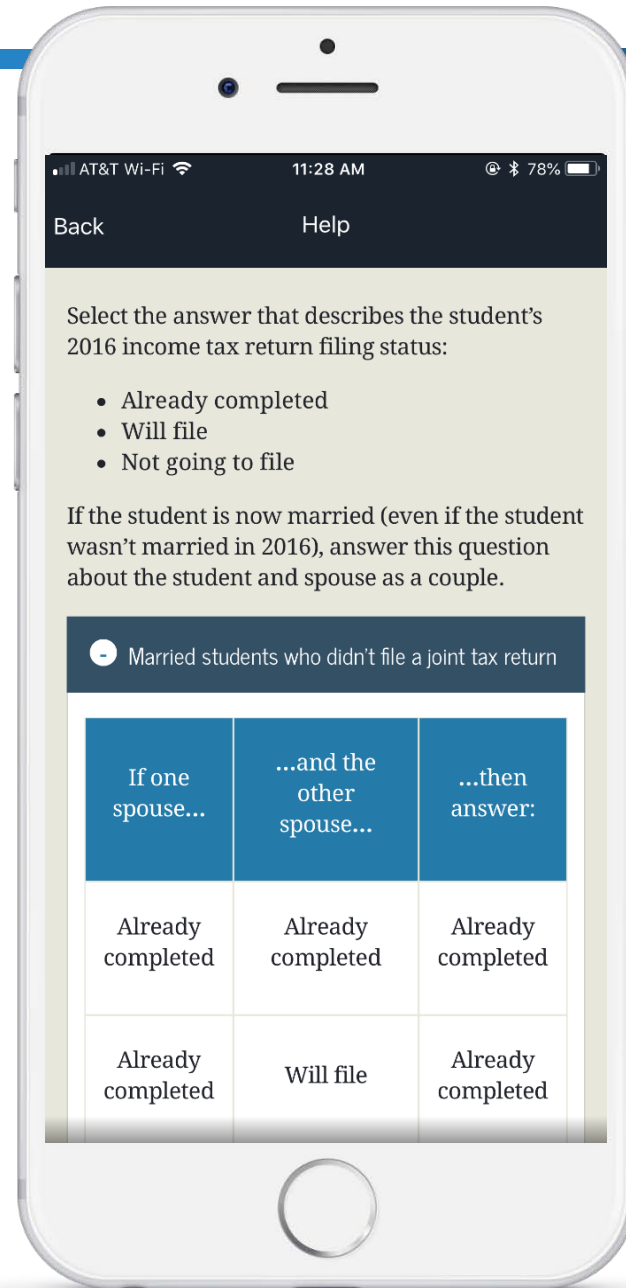
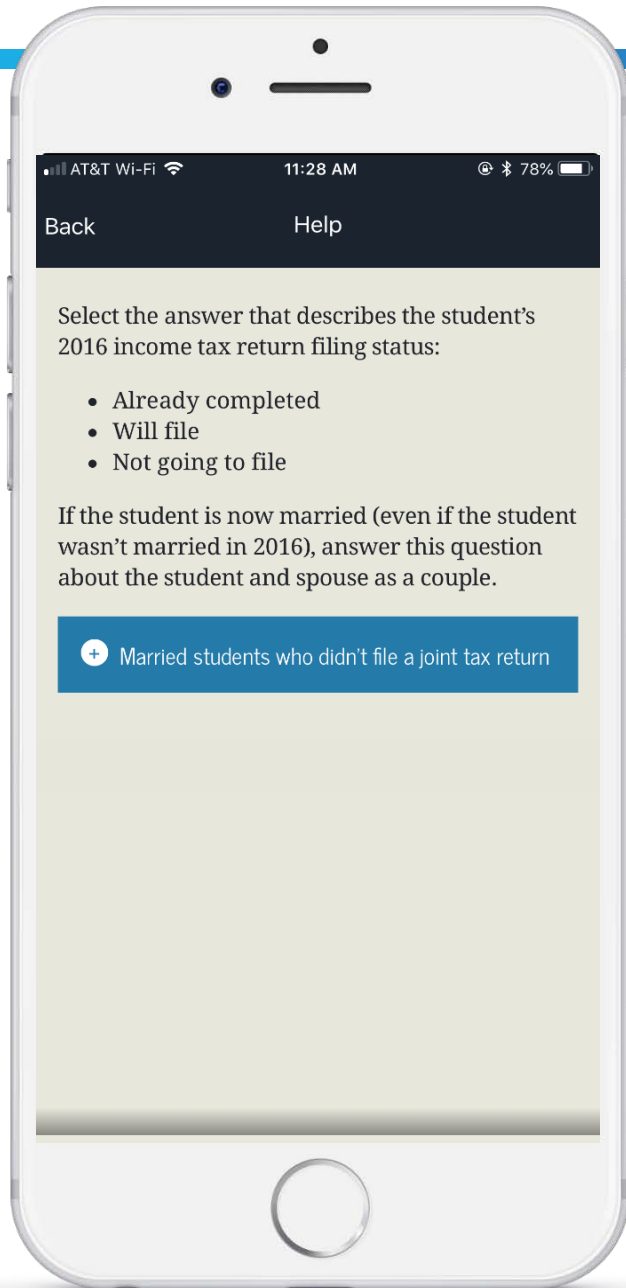
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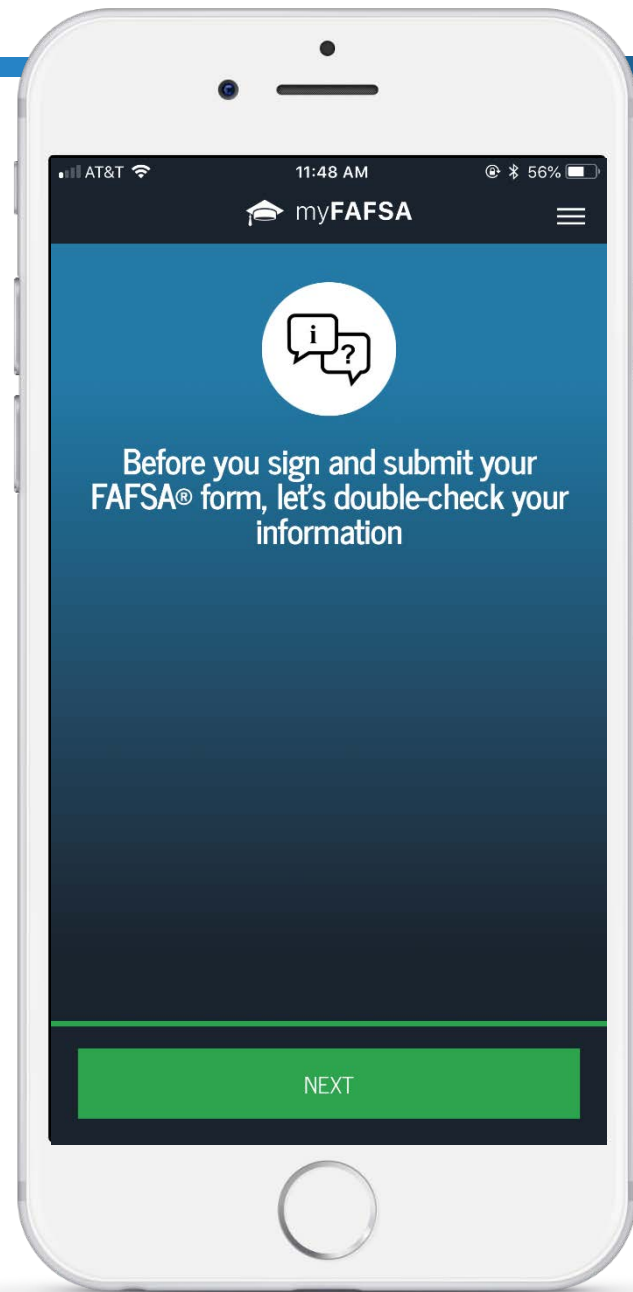
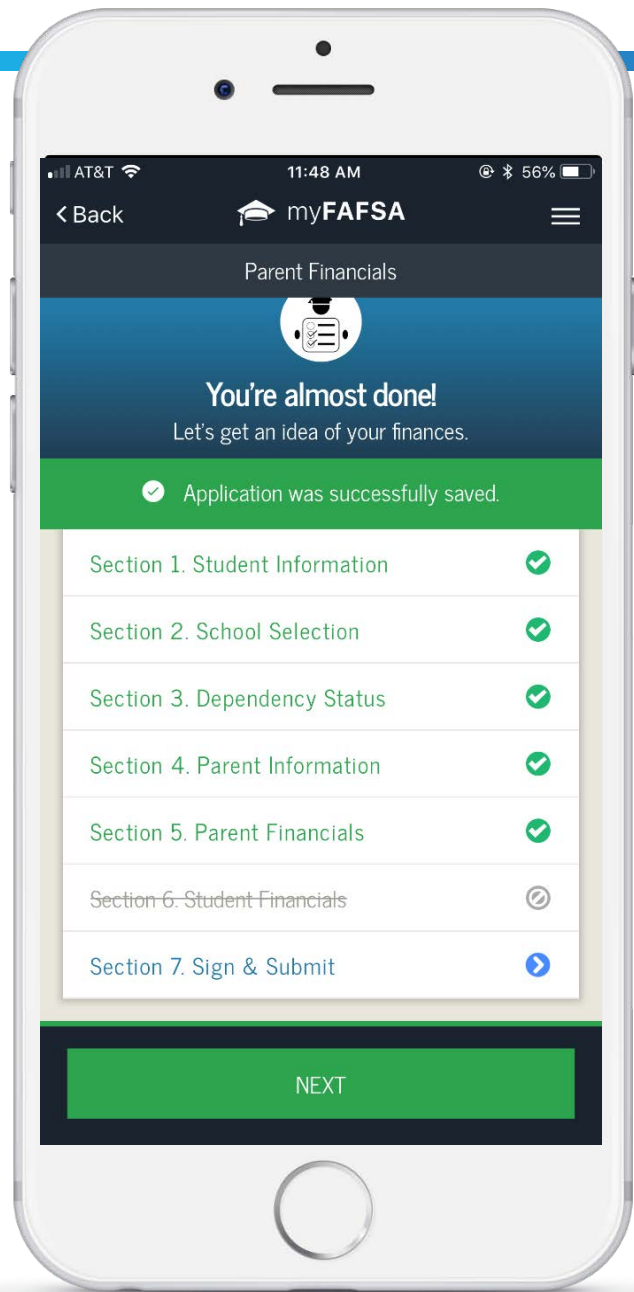


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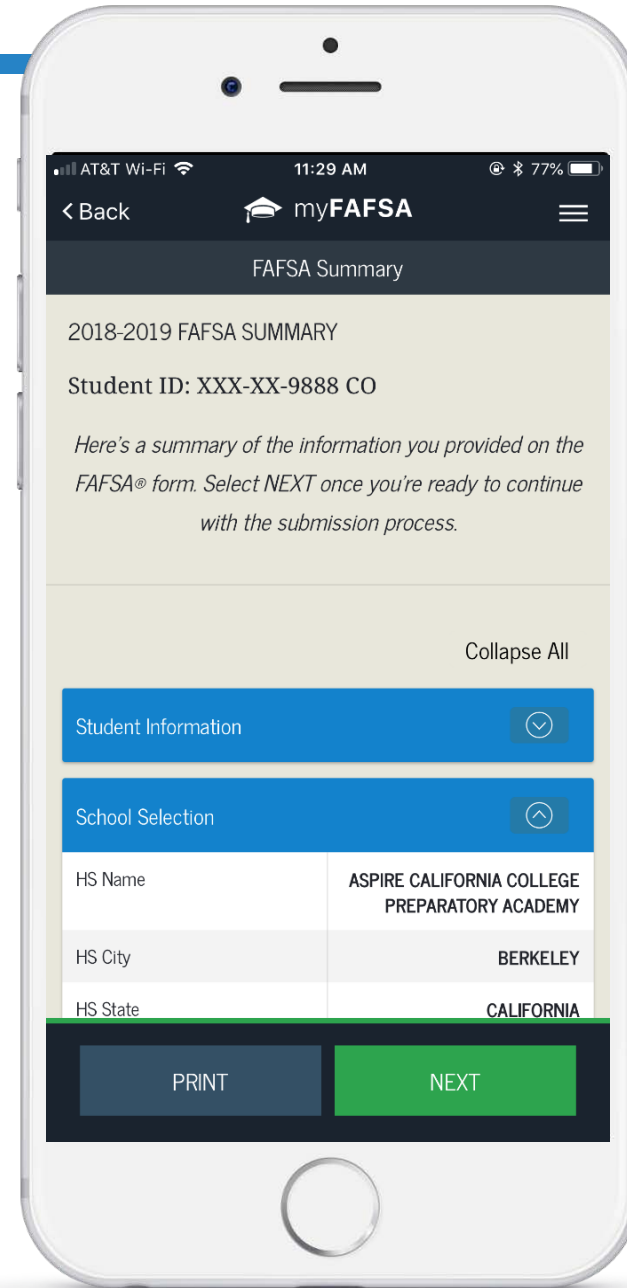
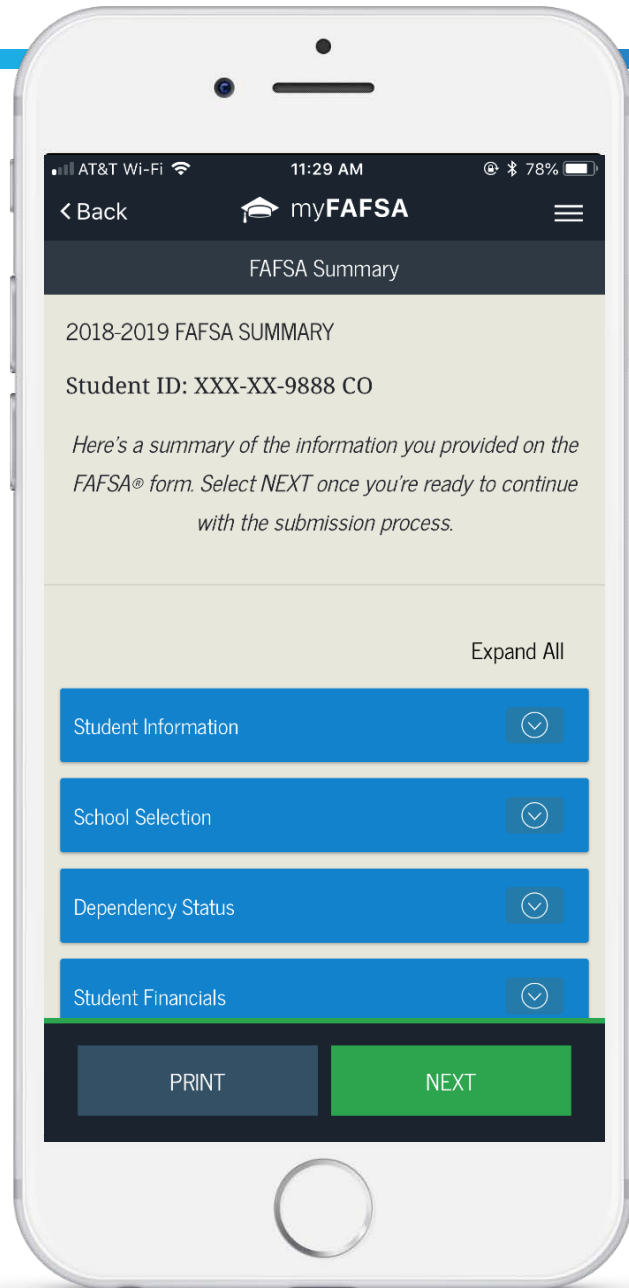


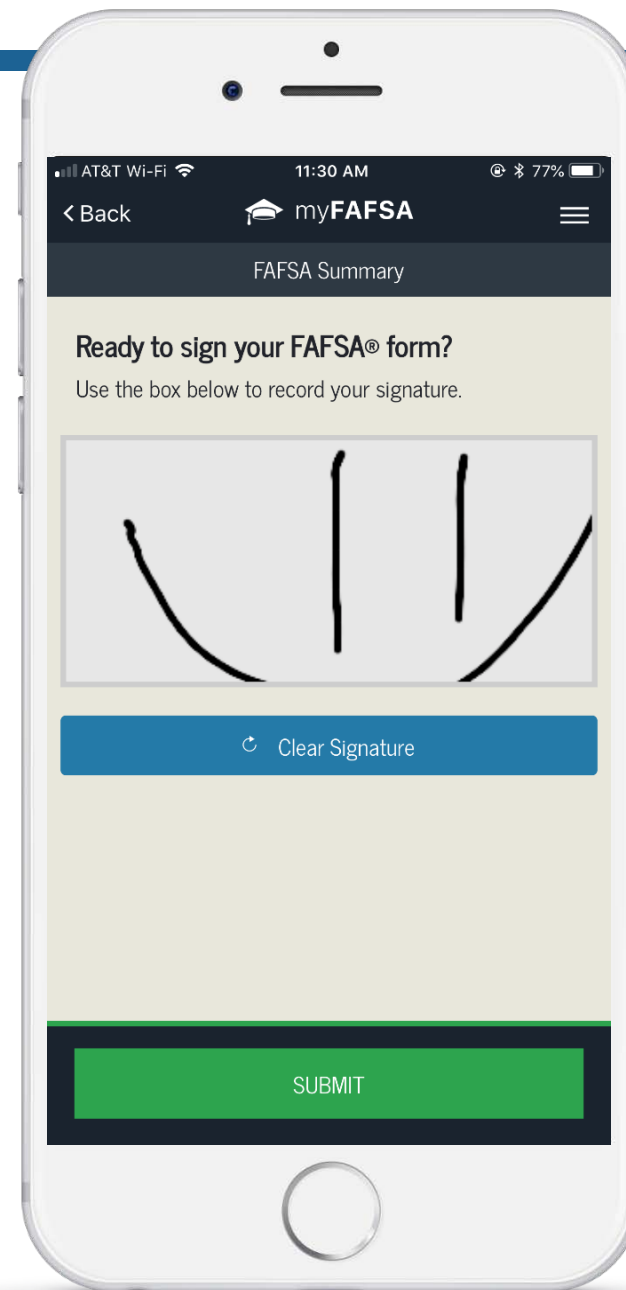
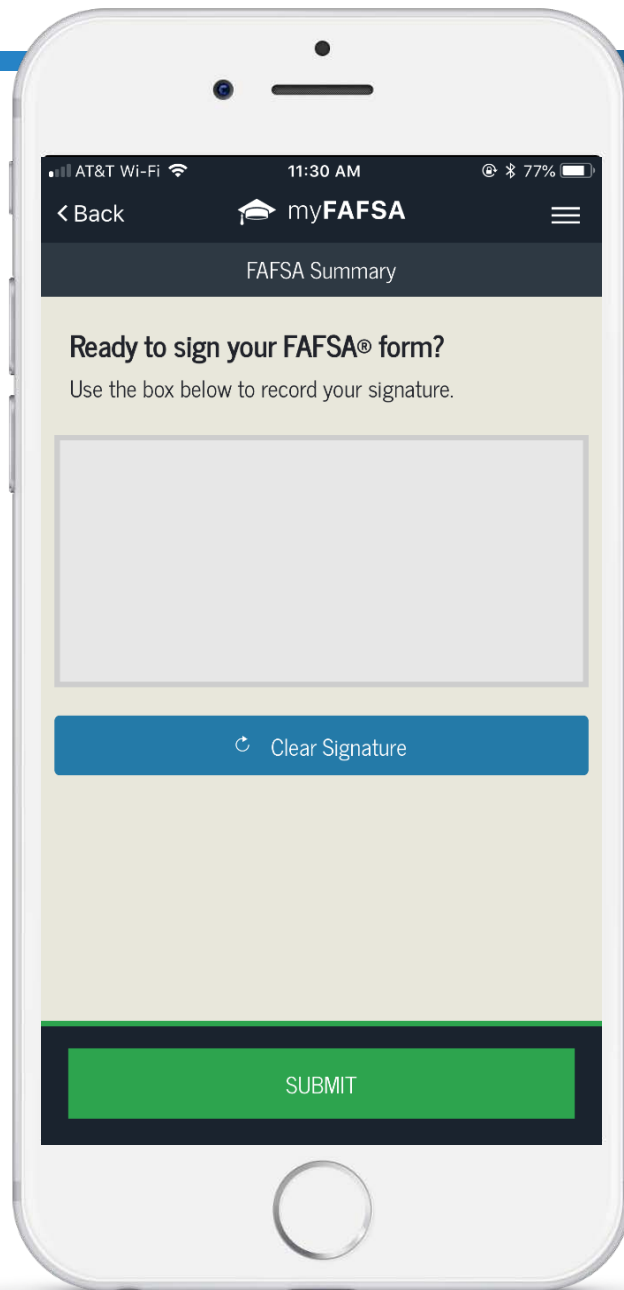
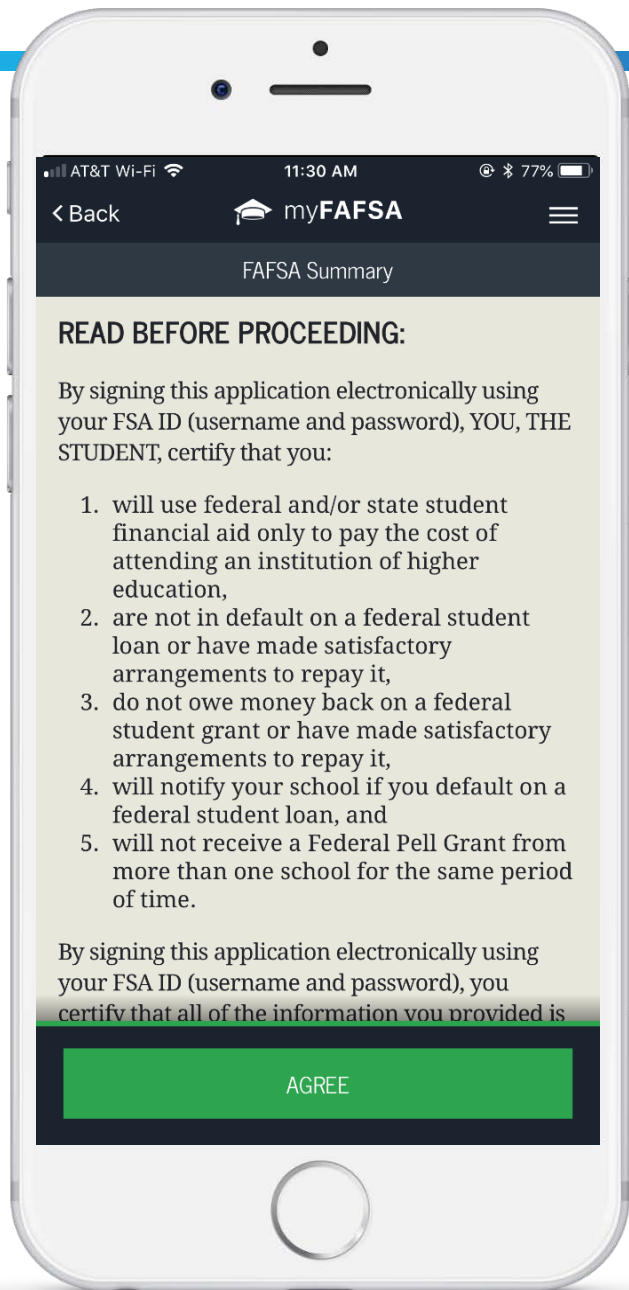
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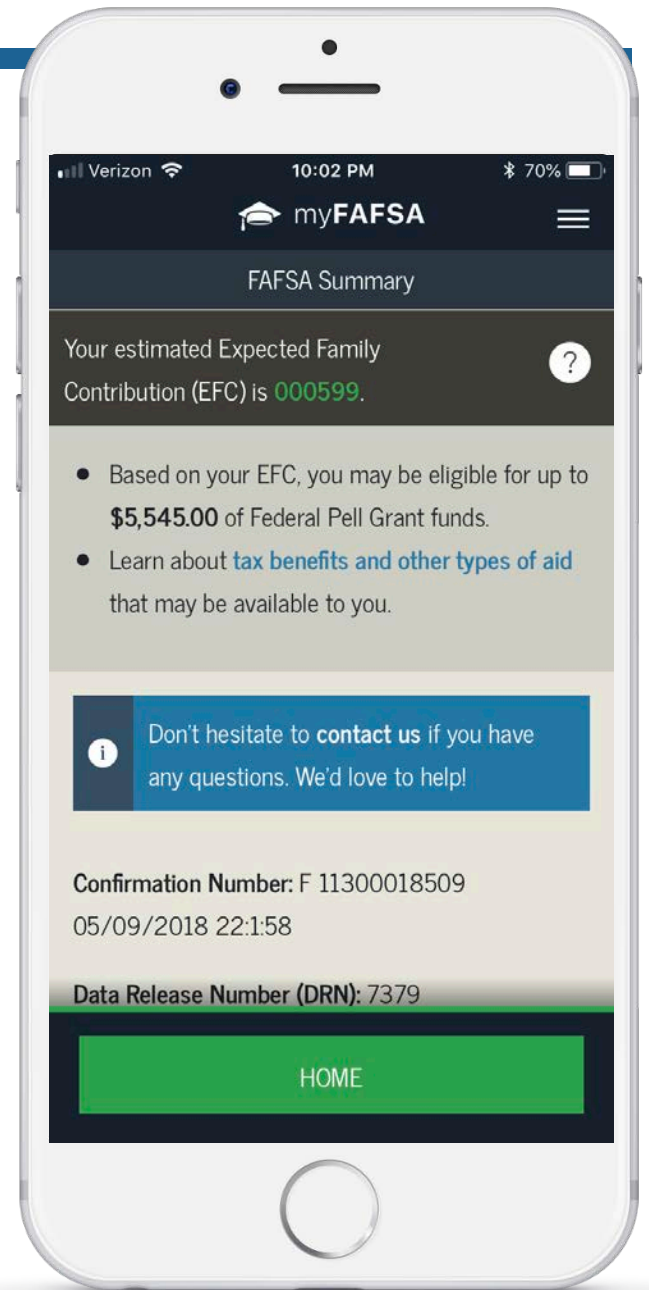
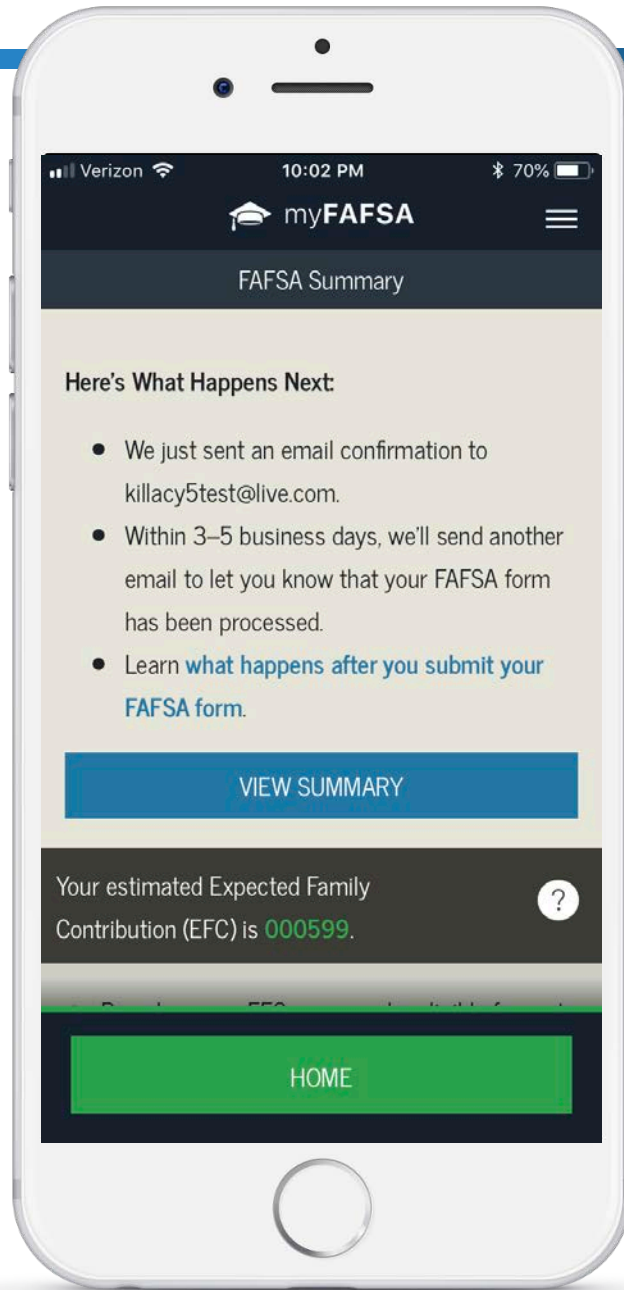
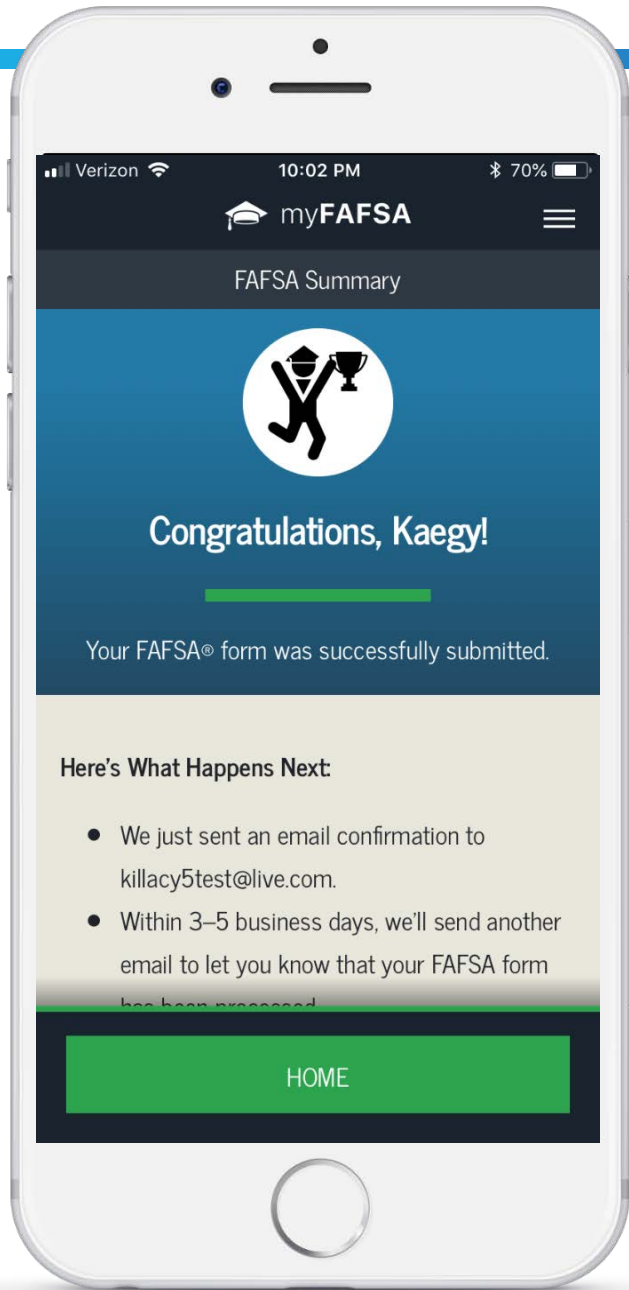




FAFSA Summary







MOBILE OPTIMIZATION



- **Now Available: Redesigned, Mobile-friendly FAFSA® Website**
- The fafsa.gov website has an updated look with new colors and has been redesigned so that the site pages will fit the screen size and shape of any device, including desktop or laptop computers and mobile devices such as smartphones or tablets. Students and parents can now complete the FAFSA form on a mobile device with the same ease as on a desktop or laptop computer.

FSA ID: [HTTPS://FSAID.ED.GOV](https://fsaid.ed.gov)



- A FSA ID gives you access to Federal Student Aid's online systems and can serve as your legal signature.
- The student and parent will each need their own individual FSA IDs.
 - The parent and student **MAY NOT** use the same cell phone number, nor email address.
 - Don't use a HS email address because it will be deleted after graduation.
 - Verify your email address.
- Students/parents may now enter a verified phone number that may be used to retrieve usernames and create a new password via text.

FOTW FAFSA On The Web

Login

Log in to the FAFSA

Only students may use their FSA ID to log in. Parents and others can start a FAFSA for a student by entering the student's identifiers. Parents and others can also work on a FAFSA form or correction the student started using the **Save Key** that the student made. [Help for parents.](#)

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I am the student

OR

I am a parent, preparer, or student from a Freely Associated State

Do not log in with the FSA ID if you are not the student.

Don't have an FSA ID? [Create one](#) or login using the [student's identifiers](#).

The student's FSA ID Username or Verified E-mail Address ?

[Forgot Username](#)

The student's FSA ID Password ?

[Forgot Password](#)

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Welcome, GDIT DATA!

Fill out your FAFSA form!

To receive federal student financial aid, you need to fill out a FAFSA every school year. Let's get started.

For which school year are you applying for financial aid?

If you are applying for a summer session, or just don't know which application to complete, check with the college you are planning to attend.

[Which school year should I choose?](#)

START 2018-2019 FAFSA

OR

START 2017-2018 FAFSA

FAFSA
Year

FSA ID

Last Time, Date FSA ID Used:

FSA ID Status:

[Create an FSA ID](#)

There is no FSA ID on file for the information you entered.

Student Additional Dependency Questions

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Confirmation

STUDENT INFORMATION

Answer the following questions to determine if you are required to provide information about your parents on your FAFSA. Check all that apply or check **None of the above**. ?

- Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training?
- Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?
- At any time since you turned age 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care, or were you a dependent or ward of the court?
- As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, are you or were you an emancipated minor?
- Does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?
- None of the above

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Parent Tax Filing Status

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PARENT INFORMATION

Application was successfully saved.

Attention! You must provide financial information from your parents' 2016 tax return on the following pages.

For 2016, have your parents completed their IRS income tax return or another tax return? ?

Already completed

For 2016, what is your parents' tax filing status according to their tax return? ?

Married-Filed Joint Return

Did your parents file a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return for 2016? ?

Yes No

IRS Data Retrieval Tool

Applying is faster and easier if your parents transfer their tax return information into this FAFSA with the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT)!

[LINK TO IRS ↔](#)

Enhanced Progress Bar

Signature Status



Both you and a parent need to sign your FAFSA.

Only sign for yourself. If you and your parent are not together, one of you can sign, save the application and then exit. Give the "save key" to the other person who can log in with it and sign and submit the FAFSA.

Be sure not to mix up your and your parent's FSA IDs when signing.

Student Signature Needed



Signature Status: **Unsigned**

PROVIDE STUDENT SIGNATURE

Parent Signature Needed



Signature Status: **Unsigned**

PROVIDE PARENT SIGNATURE

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Signature Status



i A parent must sign the FAFSA. If you are a parent, click **Provide Parent Signature** to sign your child's FAFSA.

Note: If you are the student and your parent is not present, click **Save** and then **Exit**. Your parent should log in to fafsa.gov using the student's identifiers and the "save key" to sign and submit your FAFSA.

Student Signed With FSA ID



Social Security Number: XXX-XX-2515
Last Name: Data16
Date of Birth: 01/01/1999

Signature Status: Signed Electronically

Parent Signature Needed



Signature Status: Unsigned

PROVIDE PARENT SIGNATURE ✎

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Parent
Signature
Experience



PARENT INFORMATION

READ BEFORE PROCEEDING

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 PARENT, certify that all of the information you provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge and you agree, if asked:

1. to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form
2. to provide U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file.

You also certify that you understand that the Secretary of Education has the authority to verify information reported on your application with the Internal Revenue Service and other federal agencies.

If you sign this application or any document related to the federal student aid programs electronically using a

I, the parent, agree to the terms outlined above.

Agree Disagree



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Parent Signature Experience



Parent Signature Experience

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Parent Signature for
Social Security Number: **XXX-XX-8741**
Last Name: **Lee**
Date of Birth: **12/31/1975**

What is your (the parent's) FSA ID?
Do not enter the FSA ID if you are not the parent.

FSA ID Username or Verified E-mail Address ?

[Forgot Username](#) | [Create an FSA ID](#)

FSA ID Password ?

[Forgot Password](#)

SIGN THIS FAFSA ✎

Signature Status



i You have provided all necessary signatures. Click **Submit My FAFSA Now** to submit your FAFSA.

Student Signature Complete



Social Security Number: XXX-XX-1140

Last Name: AUTUMNALE

Date of Birth: 01/25/1999

Signature Status: Signed Electronically

Parent Signature Complete



Social Security Number: XXX-XX-0595

Last Name: Shadbush

Date of Birth: 07/30/1987

Signature Status: Signed Electronically

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SUBMIT MY FAFSA NOW →

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Based on your answers to the dependency status questions, **you are considered a dependent student. This means you must provide [parental](#) information.** Select “I will provide information about my parent(s)” and click **Next** to continue filling out your FAFSA. ?

If you have a special circumstance and are unable to provide parental information, under very limited circumstances, you may be able to submit your FAFSA without parental information. Select “I am unable to provide information about my parent(s)” and click **Next** to get additional information.

- I will provide information about my parent(s)
- I am unable to provide information about my parent(s)

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FAFSA Special Circumstances

FAFSA SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES



The following are examples of some special circumstances where you may submit your FAFSA without providing parental information:

- Your parents are incarcerated
- You have left home due to an abusive environment
- You do not know where your parents are and are unable to contact them

The following are situations that would **not** be a special circumstance:

- You do not live with your parents
- Your parents don't provide you financial support
- Your parents refuse to contribute to your college expenses
- Your parents don't claim you as a dependent on their income tax return
- Your parents do not want to provide their information on your FAFSA

Special Circumstances Acknowledgement

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Choose the appropriate option below based on your circumstances. 

- I will provide information about my parent(s)
- I have a special circumstance and am unable to provide information about my parent(s)
- I do not have a special circumstance, but am unable to provide information about my parent(s)

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FAFSA Special Circumstances

FAFSA SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES



- FAFSAs submitted without parental information will **not** have a calculated EFC.
- In order to determine aid eligibility **you must follow up with the financial aid office** at the college you plan to attend.
- **You must also follow up with the financial aid office** at the college you plan to attend in order to complete your FAFSA and receive an EFC.
- Under Federal law, only your financial aid office has the authority to decide whether or not you must provide parental information on your FAFSA.
- You will have to provide documentation to verify your situation to the financial aid office.
- Once documentation is reviewed, your financial aid office will decide if you must provide parental information. This decision is final and cannot be appealed to Federal Student Aid.

Unable to Provide Parental Information Acknowledgement

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STUDENT INFORMATION

Choose the appropriate option below based on your circumstances. 

- I am unable to provide information about my parent(s) and understand that I must follow up with my financial aid administrator after I submit my FAFSA
- I will provide information about my parent(s)

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FAFSA Special Circumstances

FAFSA SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES



- All special circumstances have to be documented by the school.
- If student cannot provide documentation of special circumstance, they will only qualify for Unsubsidized Loans (No Grants/Need-Based Aid).
- Many schools will automatically reach out to students who indicate a special circumstance.
- If the student is unsure, have them contact a Financial Aid Office.

Student Homelessness Questions

Student
Demographics



School Selection



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STUDENT INFORMATION

At any time on or after July 1, 2017, did you receive a determination from any of the entities listed below that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless, or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless? Check all that apply, or check **None of the above**. ?

- Your high school or school district homeless liaison
- The director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- The director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program
- None of the above

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Homeless
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STUDENT HOMELESSNESS



- Homeless: Lacking fixed, regular and adequate housing, which includes living in shelters, parks, motels, hotels, public spaces, camping grounds, cars, abandoned buildings or temporarily living with other people because you had nowhere else to go.
- Unaccompanied: Not living in the physical custody of your parent or guardian
- “If you believe that you meet their conditions and would like to **follow up with the financial aid office** at the college you plan to attend, click “Next” to continue and select “I am unaccompanied and either homeless or at risk of being homeless and will not provide information about my parents.”



FAFSA Help Ohio

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Welcome to FAFSAhelpOH.org!

Important Notice to all FAFSA Filers:

Please [click here](#) to read the announcement prior to filing your FAFSA.

This site is designed for students, parents, counselors, mentors, and anyone else who is looking for resources for completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in order to obtain financial aid assistance for college.

Please review the tabs above for helpful information, videos, and guides as well as to find a [FAFSA Event](#) for completing a FAFSA. **Didn't find a location near you? Check back often! New sites are added weekly!**

If you found us from the former Ohio College Goal Sunday website, please know that OASFAA will no longer formally organize and host FAFSA assistance workshops (College Goal Sunday). [In-person help is still available!!](#)

If you are a former College Goal Sunday host and have planned your own event, [please submit your event information here](#) for inclusion on the list of [FAFSA Events](#).



Counselors

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Welcome to the Financial Aid Resource page for high school counselors! The OASFAA Outreach Committee hopes you will find the information on these pages useful in your search to make higher education affordable. Send comments or questions about this information to outreach@oasfaa.org.

Financial Aid 101 Webinar for Newer Counselors

This free webinar is for newer High School, Access, TRiO, and AmeriCorps counselors, as well as any brand new admissions or financial aid counselors. If you are in your first several years assisting high school students through the paying for college process, this webinar will provide an overview of the financial aid programs available to students. The steps that students must take in pursuing financial aid their senior year of high school will also be covered.

Please register for Financial Aid 101 for Counselors on Sep 20, 2018 2:00 PM EDT at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2246986544287410946>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

College Access and School Counselors Contact Database

- [Click Here to enter your contact information to be added to the new Counselor Listserv and receive -](#)
 - Workshop registration information
 - Counselor event announcements and details
 - Training announcements

High School Financial Aid Night Presenters

- [Request a Financial Aid Night Presenter](#)
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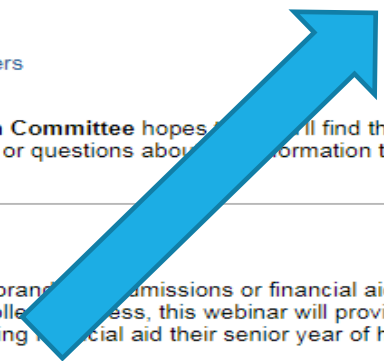
Ohio FAFSA Completions Year over Year

Click [here](#) to see the year over year FAFSA completion percentage, courtesy of our friends at NCAN via their Form Your Future web site.

Counselor Resources

- [2018-2019 Seven Easy Steps to the FAFSA tutorial](#), presented by University of California, Santa Barbara Financial Aid Office
- [Financial Aid 101 2018-19 - Webinar Slides](#)
- [2017-18 Counselors and Mentors Handbook for Federal Student Aid](#)
- [FAFSA Priority Deadlines for Ohio Schools 18-19 *NEW*](#)
- [FAFSA Completion Tool by High School](#)
- [FAFSA Ohio Student Record Data](#)

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DEMO VERSION

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD



- If married, parents **cannot** file taxes with a Head of Household filing status. However, an exception to this general rule exists...
- If parents are “considered unmarried” they **can** file Head of Household.
 - While not the only requirement to be “considered unmarried,” **parents cannot be living or have lived in the same household for the last 6-months (of the tax year).**
- Marital Status: As of the date the FAFSA is completed.
- Tax Filing Status: As of December, 31st 2017.

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD



- Financial Aid administrators are not required to be tax experts. However, The Dept of Ed requires that FAAs know the requirements of filing statuses and when an individual can and cannot file Head of Household.
- If it is identified that a parent filed HOH erroneously, they must amend their 2017 taxes in order for their student to receive federal aid.

“WILL FILE” 2017 TAXES



- If selected for verification...
 - School must verify that student/parent did actually file
 - School's are only permitted to accept extension beyond the standard 6-month extension
 - HEROES Act (Individual called upon for Active Duty or National Guard Duty) **or**
 - IRS Letter of Approval for extension beyond 6-months
- If not federally selected, a school may choose to **institutionally select** the FAFSA for verification

AMENDED 2017 TAXES



- If student/parent uses IRS DRT, schools will receive notice that student/parent amended their taxes
- Schools **must** request copy of 1040X
- Regardless of verification selection

Student/Parent still encouraged to use IRS DRT



FURTHER UNDERSTANDING: DEPENDENCY

Other Sources of Support for Children

- “When the student receives money for the child from any source other than her parents, she may count it as part of her support to the child.” – page 28
- “If one or both of the student’s parents are directly or indirectly providing more than 50% support in cash or other assistance to the child, then the student would still answer “No” to the FAFSA question about legal dependents.”
– page 28
- Children are “including those who will be born before the end of the award year [06/30/2019]” – page 25



FURTHER UNDERSTANDING: DEPENDENCY

EXAMPLE 1: STUDENT...

- IS 19 YEARS OLD
- UNMARRIED(SINGLE)
- HAS A BABY
- LIVES WITH PARENTS
- RECEIVES PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Is this student Independent or Dependent?

- It depends...
- Student must provide **more than 50% of the baby's support**. The public assistance (if in the student's name) counts as student provided support. However, many schools consider housing the majority expense in an individual's cost of living. In this scenario, that is being provided by the student's parents. **Many schools will consider this student Dependent.**



FURTHER UNDERSTANDING: DEPENDENCY

EXAMPLE 2: STUDENT...

- IS 19 YEARS OLD
- UNMARRIED(SINGLE)
- HAS A BABY
- LIVES IN SUBSIDIZED HOUSING
- RECEIVES PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Is this student Independent or Dependent?

- Independent (assuming there is no financial support being provided by the student's parents).
- Student must provide **more than 50% of the baby's support**. The public assistance and subsidized housing (if in the student's name) counts as student provided support.



FURTHER UNDERSTANDING: DEPENDENCY

EXAMPLE 3: STUDENT...

- IS 19 YEARS OLD
- UNMARRIED(SINGLE)
- HAS A BABY
- LIVES WITH OTHER PARENT OF BABY
- RECEIVES PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Is this student Independent or Dependent?

- Independent (assuming there is no financial support being provided by the student's parents).
- Student must provide **more than 50% of the baby's support**. However, **the support provided by the baby's other parent can be counted as support provided by the student**. The baby's other parent could also be considered Independent in this scenario.

PII – PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION



- Students tend to email information that should not be emailed, because email is not secure. Students **should not** send SSN's and other identity related information **via email**.
- Schools have preferred ways to receive sensitive/personal information (often secure upload processes on specific web sites).
- Check with your school before sending/providing information.

QUESTIONS?



- If you have questions, contact the Financial Aid Office at your selected college, or the office at a local college or university. Most Financial Aid offices will assist with the FAFSA even if a student does not plan to attend that school.