

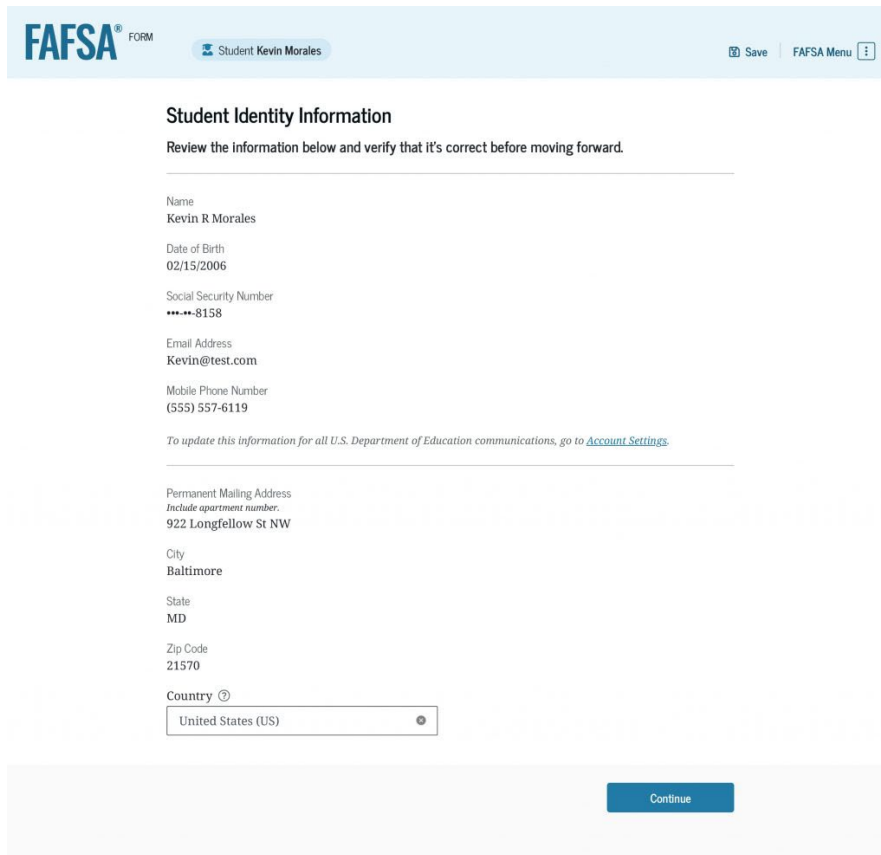
# FAFSA Guide - Dependent Students

## Step 1: Student Identity Information

Start FAFSA, confirm identity info, and consent to IRS data transfer.

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The screenshot shows the FAFSA Student Identity Information form. At the top left is the FAFSA logo with 'FORM' next to it. To the right of the logo is a user profile indicator 'Student Kevin Morales'. Further right are 'Save' and 'FAFSA Menu' buttons. The main heading is 'Student Identity Information' with a sub-heading 'Review the information below and verify that it's correct before moving forward.' Below this is a list of fields: Name (Kevin R Morales), Date of Birth (02/15/2006), Social Security Number (\*\*\*-\*\*-8158), Email Address (Kevin@test.com), and Mobile Phone Number ((555) 557-6119). A note states: 'To update this information for all U.S. Department of Education communications, go to Account Settings.' Below this is the Permanent Mailing Address section: 'Permanent Mailing Address', 'Include apartment number.', '922 Longfellow St NW', 'City: Baltimore', 'State: MD', 'Zip Code: 21570', and 'Country: United States (US)' (selected in a dropdown menu). At the bottom right is a 'Continue' button.

## Step 2: Personal Circumstances

Answer dependency-related questions.

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### Student Personal Circumstances

Select all that apply or "None of these apply."

The student is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training. ①

The student is a veteran of the U.S. armed forces. ①

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, 2026, and June 30, 2027. ①

At any time since the student turned 13, they were an orphan (no living biological or adoptive parent). ②

At any time since the student turned 13, they were a ward of the court. ①

At any time since the student turned 13, they were in foster care. ①

The student is or was a legally emancipated minor, as determined by a court in their state of residence. ①

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. ①

None of these apply.

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If the FAFSA form determines that you're a dependent student, you'll need to answer the question: "Are the student's parents refusing to provide their information on this FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form?"

Important: If you change your response to "Yes" and complete your form without parent information, you won't be eligible for a Federal Pell Grant or most other types of federal student aid. You will be eligible for a Direct Unsubsidized Loan only.

Being a contributor on the FAFSA form won't make your parent(s) responsible for paying for your education costs, so make sure you select "Yes" only if your parent(s) refuse to participate on your FAFSA form.

### Step 3: Demographics

Provide citizenship and education details.

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### Parent Education Status

Did either of the student's parents attend college or complete college? ⓘ

Neither parent attended college

One or both parents attended college, but neither parent completed college

One or both parents completed college

Don't know

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### Student High School Information

From what high school did or will the student graduate? ⓘ

State  
Maryland (MD)

City  
Baltimore

High School Name optional  
Doris M. Johnson High

Doris M. Johnson High  
Baltimore, Maryland (MD)

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## Step 4: Financial Information

Enter student finances; parent completes their portion.

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### Student 2024 Tax Return Information

Refer to the student's 2024 tax return to answer the following questions.  
If the answer is zero or the question does not apply, enter 0.

Where to find this information on the tax form

#### Filing Status

Single

Head of household

Married filing jointly

Married filing separately

Qualifying surviving spouse

#### Income Earned From Work

IRS Form 1040 (or 1040-NR): Line 1z + Schedule 1: Lines 3 + 6. If a tax form line's value is negative, treat it as zero in your calculation.

\$  .00

#### Tax Exempt Interest Income

IRS Form 1040: Line 2a

\$  .00



### Student Assets

#### Current Total of Cash, Savings, and Checking Accounts

Don't include student aid, retirement accounts, or investments.

\$  .00 ⓘ

#### Current Net Worth of Investments, Including Real Estate

Don't include the home the student lives in. Net worth is the value of the investments minus any debts owed against them.

\$  .00 ⓘ

#### Current Net Worth of Businesses and Farms

Enter the net worth of the student's businesses and income-producing farms. Net worth is the value of the businesses and farms minus any debts owed against them. Don't include a family business with 100 or fewer full-time employees, farms where the family resides, or a commercial fishing business and related expenses.

\$  .00 ⓘ

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## Step 5: Colleges

Add schools to receive FAFSA.

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**Where should we send the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> information?**

Add at least one college or career school now.

You can add or remove schools before and after submitting your form.

You can add up to 20 schools. List any schools you're considering, even if you're not certain you'll apply to them. [Find tips for searching for colleges or career schools.](#)

0 out of 20 schools selected View Selected Schools

Search by State Enter School Code

State

Cali

California (CA)

School Name optional

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## Step 6: Contributor Invite

Invite parent to complete FAFSA.

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### Invite Your Parent to This FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Form

To determine your federal student aid eligibility, we need more information on your household financial situation. You'll need to invite a contributor to provide this information. As a dependent student, you need to invite a legal parent as a contributor. You only need to invite one parent.

Who counts as a parent on the FAFSA form?

Parent

#### Invite a Parent Contributor

Email

[Send Invite](#)



### Parent Contributor

Once your parent accepts the invitation, they can complete the parent section of this FAFSA form. They may be asked to invite their spouse as a contributor too. You can check the status of contributor invitations from the "My Activity" page.

Parent

kevinsmom@test.com

[Invite Sent](#)

Other Ways to Send the Invite ^

Copy and Send the Invite Link ⓘ

[www.fafsa.gov/invite/7BKG4W3](http://www.fafsa.gov/invite/7BKG4W3) [Copy Link](#)

You can also have them go to [www.fafsa.gov/invite](http://www.fafsa.gov/invite) and enter code:  
**7BKG4W3**

[Cancel Invite](#)

**Step 7: Signature**  
Student and parent sign form,

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### Continue To Sign Your Form

Here's a summary of the information you provided on the FAFSA form. Continue once you're ready to submit.

**Scroll To Continue**  
After reviewing your answers, scroll to the bottom of the page and select "Continue." Then, sign your section of the FAFSA form.

**Student Sections** Expand All

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NOTE:

Additionally, by signing this application electronically using your FSA ID, you authorize the U.S. Department of Education to disclose all information provided on this application, as required under Section 483(a)(2)(D)(i) of the *Higher Education Act of 1965*, as amended, to the institutions you have identified herein, state higher education agencies (in your state of residence and the states in which the institutions identified herein are located), and designated scholarship organizations to assist with the application, award, and administration of federal, state, or institutional financial aid programs and designated scholarship programs. Notwithstanding this authorization, the name of an institution that you select to authorize such disclosure shall not be shared with any other institution.

You must sign your FAFSA® form now and then your contributor can submit your form when complete.

I, Kevin Morales, agree to the terms outlined above.

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### Pending Submission

Check With Your Contributor

#### Parent Contributors

**Requirements for Dependent Students**

Your FAFSA® form can't be submitted until your contributor(s) fill out their section of the form and sign it. The last contributor to sign will be able to submit the form for processing.

Contributor(s)	Role	Invite Code	Status
kevinmom@test.com	Parent	78KG4W3	<span style="background-color: #ccc; padding: 2px;">Invite Sent</span>

[Manage Invitations](#)

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**Track and Manage Your FAFSA® Form and Contributors** [View Status](#)

Your application has been added to the "My Activity" page in your Studentaid.gov account. Visit this page to keep track of your FAFSA status; review, edit, or delete information on your form, and monitor the status of your contributor(s).

#### Here's What You Can Do Next

**Check Your Email**

You'll receive an email version of this page at the following email address:  
kevinmom@test.com

*If you have a contributor (such as a parent or spouse) who is required to participate on your FAFSA® form, then your form can't be submitted until they fill out their sections and provide their signature.*