

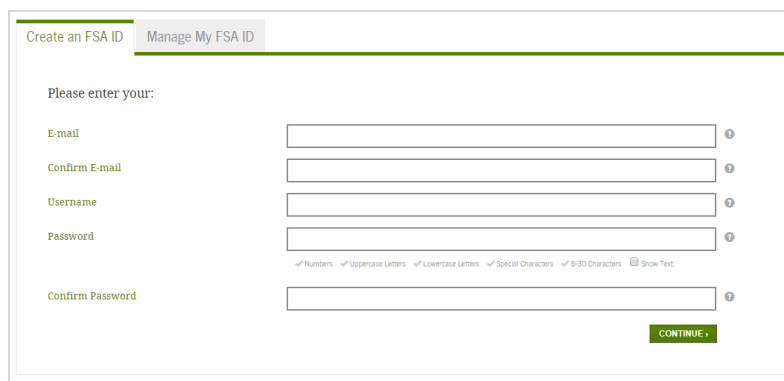
What is a FSA ID?

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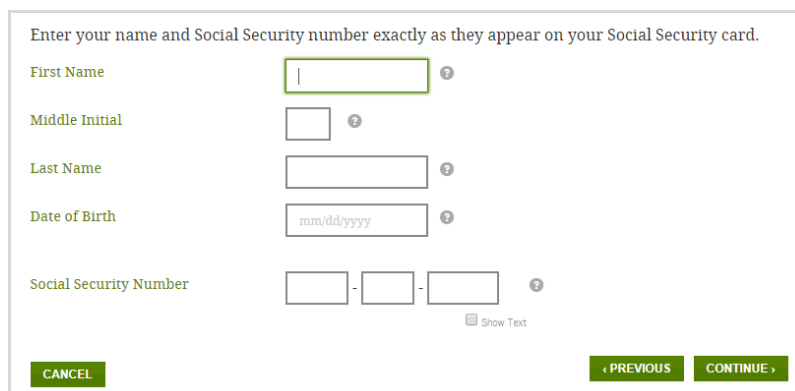
The **FSA ID** is your unique log-in credential used to access Federal Financial Aid information applications such as the **FAFSA**, **Entrance Counseling**, **Master Promissory Note**, **National Student Loan Database (NSLDS)** and other financial aid documents you may need to complete. The FSA ID has replaced the use of pin numbers. Any student who still has a pin number will need to create an FSA ID.

Here are instructions for creating an FSA-ID:

- Step 1: Log into <https://fsaid.ed.gov> or click on "Create an FSA ID" on any of the Financial Aid websites listed above. If you have already created an FSA-ID but have forgotten it, you can retrieve it at this same website
 - Please Note: Only the owner of the FSA-ID should create the account. **FSA-IDs should never be shared**
- Step 2: Enter your email address and create a Username and Password



- Step 3: Enter your name, date of birth, Social Security number, contact information, and challenge questions/answers



- Step 4: If you already have a Federal Student Aid PIN, you will be able to enter it and link it to your new FSA-ID. If you do not have a PIN or have forgotten it, you can still create an FSA-ID!
- Step 5: Review your information then read and accept the terms and conditions
- Step 6: Confirm your email address using the secure code which which will be emailed to the address you entered in Step 2 above. Once you verify your email address, you can use it instead of your username to log into Federal Aid websites

You will be able to use your FSA-ID immediately to sign the FAFSA. Once the Social Security Administration

verifies your information (1-3 business days), OR you have linked your Financial Aid PIN to your new FSA-ID, you will be able to use the FSA-ID to access studentloans.gov (where the EC and MPN are located) and [NSLDS](https://nslds.gov) (where you loan information is located).
