

# What's the FAFSA?

It stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Students have to fill it out annually to qualify for financial aid from the federal government. The FAFSA could also require parental information for some students under age 24.

# Why is it important?

Because it determines your eligibility for financial aid, including Pell Grants, Direct Stafford Loans, Perkins Loans, and work-study programs. It's required for federal student aid programs as well for Trevecca student aid. Almost every student is eligible for some amount of financial aid.

# Where do I get it?

The FAFSA can be filled out online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Our code is 003526. It will be faster and easier to complete the FAFSA if you have your tax information available when you fill it out, but it is not required. Make sure to remember your log in information and PIN for the FAFSA website!

# When do I fill it out?

New applications are accepted starting on October 1 for the upcoming academic year. Student financial aid at all levels is often provided on a first-come, first-served basis, so you should submit a FAFSA as early as possible.