

# CLASS OF 2023

## 2023-24 FAFSA/CADAA CHECKLIST FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS

Use this checklist to assist you in completing either the FAFSA or CADAA applications (which application depends on your citizenship). **Both require the information listed below in order to complete the online application.**

Dependent students must include both student and parent data on the FAFSA. **Determine your dependency status by answering the questions on the back.**

### REQUIRED INFORMATION

### WHERE TO FIND IT

<input type="checkbox"/> Student and parent 2021 Federal Income Tax Forms and, if applicable, Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	Personal records or visit <a href="https://www.irs.gov/transcript">irs.gov/transcript</a>
<input type="checkbox"/> Student and parent 2021 W-2 Forms	Personal records or contact your employer(s) or visit <a href="https://www.irs.gov/transcript">irs.gov/transcript</a>
<input type="checkbox"/> Student and parent Federal Student Aid usernames and passwords - FAFSA FILERS ONLY	Create student and parent accounts at <a href="https://studentaid.gov">studentaid.gov</a> BEFORE completing the FAFSA.
<input type="checkbox"/> Student's driver's license number	Personal records
<input type="checkbox"/> Student and parent email addresses. <b>Use your personal email. NOT your school email.</b>	Student: _____ Parent: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Student and parent Social Security numbers <i>If you do not have a SSN, you must fill out the <a href="#">CA Dream Act Application</a> and not the FAFSA.</i>	Personal records or call the Social Security Administration at 800-772-1213
<input type="checkbox"/> Student and parent dates of birth	Parent 1: ___/___/___ Parent 2: ___/___/___ Month Day Year Month Day Year
<input type="checkbox"/> Date parents were married/remarried, separated, divorced, or widowed	___/___ Month Year
<input type="checkbox"/> Student and parent savings/checking account balances	Student: \$_____ Parent: \$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Student and parent investments (i.e. stocks/bonds/mutual funds/529 plans) excluding home and retirement	Student: \$_____ Parent: \$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Current business value (if family/parent owns busines)	\$_____ or contact your accountant
<input type="checkbox"/> Current value of investment farm and/or rental properties (if owned)	\$_____ or contact your accountant
<input type="checkbox"/> 2021 Child support paid or received	\$_____ or contact CA Child Support at 1-866-901-3212 or <a href="https://childsupport.ca.gov">https://childsupport.ca.gov</a>
<input type="checkbox"/> 2021 Workers' compensation benefits	\$_____ or contact your employer
<input type="checkbox"/> 2021 Housing/food/living allowance for military and clergy	\$_____ or reference Leave and Earnings Statement (military) or W-2 form (clergy)
<input type="checkbox"/> 2021 Veteran's noneducation benefits	\$_____ or contact Department of Vet. Affairs toll free at 844-698-2311 or <a href="https://www.va.gov">va.gov</a>
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Alien Registration Number/USCIS Number for eligible non-citizens	U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at <a href="https://uscis.gov">uscis.gov</a>

Turn over to determine your "Dependency "Status"



# DEPENDENCY STATUS QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions to determine if parental information is needed.

If you answer “no” to every question, you are **dependent** and must provide parental information.

If you answer “yes” to any question, you are **independent** and should **not** include parental information..

Yes No Were you born before January 1, 2000?

Yes No Are you married?

Yes No Will you be working on a master’s or doctorate program at the beginning of the 2023-24 school year?

Yes No Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces or currently serving on active duty?

Yes No Do you now have, or will you have, children who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024?

Yes No Do you have dependents (other than your children or spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2024?

Yes No 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?

Yes No As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, are you or were you an emancipated minor?

Yes No Does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?

Yes No At any time on or after July 1, 2022, did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?

Yes No At any time on or after July 1, 2022, did the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?

Yes No At any time on or after July 1, 2022, did the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?

## Ready to Apply?

### FAFSA

**Step 1:** Go to [studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) to create your FSA ID. **This must be done first** and both the student and one parent need to create their own ID.

**Step 2:** Go to [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov) to begin your FAFSA Application or download the "MyStudentAid" App.

**Step 3:** Visit the ["Filling out the FAFSA"](#) webpage for additional support

### CADAA

**Step 1:** Go to the [California Dream Act Application](#) to start the application

**Step 2:** Visit the ["California Dream Act FAQ's"](#) for additional support