

Aid & Applications

Info for the Class of 2023

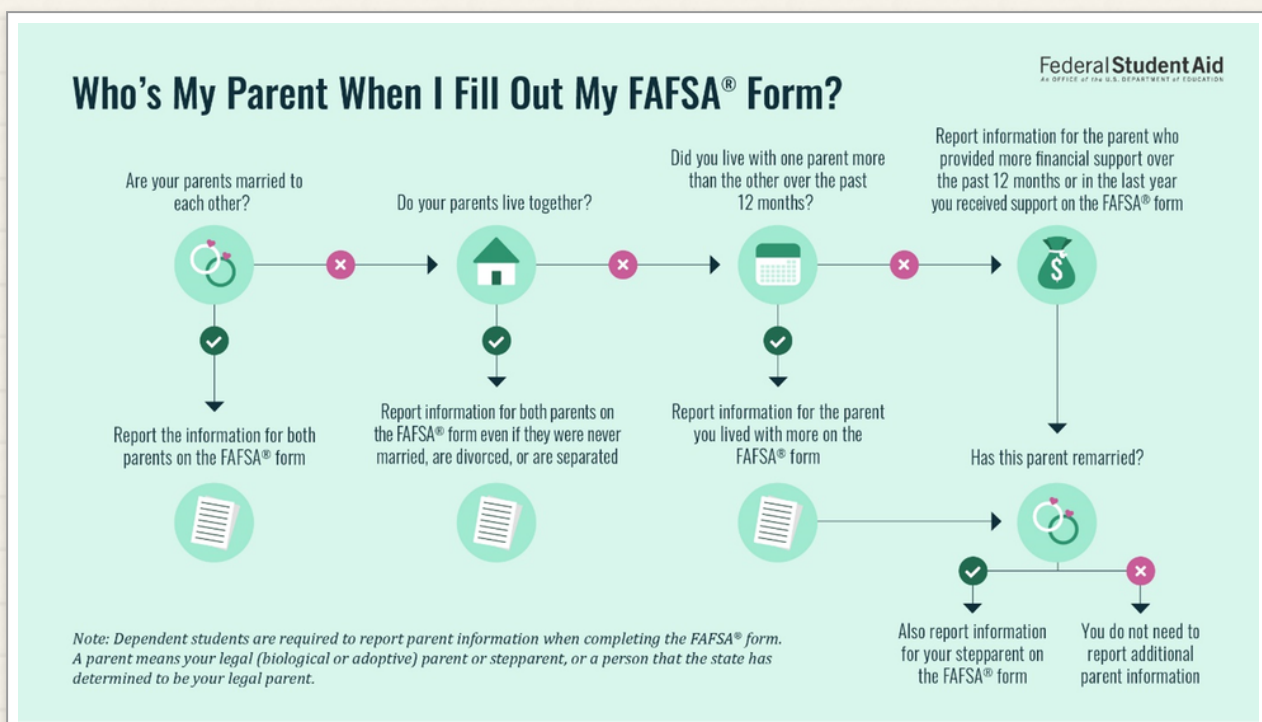
The FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid

Completing the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form allows you to be considered for federal student aid. In addition, states and colleges use FAFSA information to award their own grants, scholarships, and loans. But, since aid is limited, you have to meet the deadlines!

Each State also has their own deadline. For the state of GA, the deadline is **ASAP After Oct. 1, 2022**. Check with your financial aid administrator. Additional forms may be required. Also check with GAfutures.org for additional information.

The Federal deadline for FAFSA is 11:59 p.m. Central time (CT) on June 30, 2023.

Who's My Parent???



If you need to report parent information, here are some guidelines to help you:

- If your legal parents (your biological and/or adoptive parents, or parents as determined by the state [e.g., a parent listed on your birth certificate]) are married to each other, answer the questions about both of them, regardless of whether your parents are of the same or opposite sex.
- If your legal parents are not married to each other and live together, answer the questions about both of them, regardless of whether your parents are of the same or opposite sex.
- If your legal parent is widowed or was never married, answer the questions about that parent.

What if my parents are divorced or separated?

In this case, how you fill out the FAFSA form depends on whether your parents live together or not.

- For FAFSA purposes, your married parents are separated if they are considered legally separated by a state, or if they are legally married but have chosen to live separate lives, including living in separate households, as though they were not married.
- When two married persons live as a married couple but are separated by physical distance (or have separate households), they are considered married for FAFSA purposes.

What if I live with someone other than my parents?

- It doesn't matter if you don't live with your parent or parents; you still must report information about them. The following people are not your parents unless they have legally adopted you: grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians, older brothers or sisters, uncles or aunts, and widowed stepparents.

information from the studentaid.gov website

What is a Student Aid Report (SAR)

After you have completed the FAFSA, you will receive either by mail or electronically a report called a SAR - Student Aid Report. If you have completed your application correctly, your EFC will appear in the top right-hand corner of the SAR; if your application is incomplete, your SAR will not include an EFC, but it will tell you what you need to do to resolve any issues.

When you get your SAR, review it carefully to make sure it's correct. The school(s) you listed on your FAFSA form will use your information to determine your eligibility for federal—and possibly nonfederal—financial aid.



Virtual Financial Aid Webinars

The links below are to webinars to assist you with learning more about the FAFSA, HOPE, Scholarship Searches and actually completing the FAFSA.

General Financial Aid Session

[Financial Aid Information - Georgia \(swoogo.com\)](http://swoogo.com)

Financial Aid Session- Two Parent Household

[Joint Parent Information: Financial Aid Information - Georgia \(swoogo.com\)](http://swoogo.com)

Single Parent Household

[Single Parent Information: Financial Aid Information - Georgia \(swoogo.com\)](http://swoogo.com)

Independent Student/Homeless Students/Special Circumstances

[Independent/Special Circumstances: Financial Aid Information - Georgia \(swoogo.com\)](http://swoogo.com)

Plan to Succeed

GAfutures.org
Explore. Plan. Succeed.

GA Futures assists students in preparing for college. It is loaded with tools and information that will make searching, applying and paying for postsecondary education easier. Students

are able to check their HOPE GPA, apply to GA Colleges, and conduct scholarship search through this phenomenal tool.

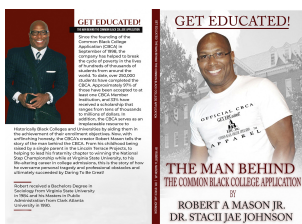
Check out. gafutures.org for additional information



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