

FAFSA | CADAA  
Walkthrough

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# APPLYING FOR AID: 2024 – 2025 Academic Year

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Starting **December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**, submit your FAFSA or CADAA and complete by:

CA Priority Deadline: **\*April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

Community College Deadline: **September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

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**\*Extended/Updated Deadline for  
2024-2025 AY ONLY.**

# Reminders for Financial Aid Applications

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- You must report information for the year that is requested by the FAFSA/CA Dream Act application (CADAA).
  - **FAFSA Filers** – You MUST consent to allow the Department of Education to LINK your information with IRS to provide tax information (*FA Direct Data Exchange*)
    - **No Consent = No financial Aid**
- 2022 Tax information REQUIRED
  - Federal Tax Return (Form 1040) with Schedule 1, 2, and 3 (if applicable).
- *Starting the 2024-2025 Academic Year*, incomplete applications will be **DELETED** after **45 days of inactivity** (*incomplete FAFSA started, not submitted, and abandon*).
  - *Note for Dependent students – Both student and contributor (parent(s)) sections must ALL be COMPLETED, if not application will DELETED!*

**PVC Federal School Code: 001259**

# Reminders for Financial Aid Applications

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- **FSA ID (*FAFSA Filer*)** – REQUIRED for both student and parent(s) (*contributors*) regardless if they have a valid SSN.
  - ***Parent with SSN*** – You will need your Personal Identifiable Information (*legal name, date of birth, etc.*), social security number and personal email (*not already associated with other account*).
  - ***Parent without SSN*** – You will need your Personal Identifiable Information (*legal name, date of birth, etc.*), mailing address, and personal email (*not already associated with other account*).
    - *If any identity verification questions are answered incorrectly, you will see an error message indicating your account is created but you still need to contact the Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC) to verify your identity before using FSA ID.*
    - *Parent will be emailed a document (Attestation Form) and provide supporting documents to prove identity. Verification will take 1-3 business days via email once all documents/information is received.*
- Within the application, parents do not have a Social Security Number (SSN) should indicate “000-00-0000” for the social security number field.

# What is a Contributor?

Use the table below to determine whose information to provide on your 2024–25 *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* form based on your parents' marital status.

Parents' Marital Status	Provide Information for
Never married	Provide information about the parent who provided more financial support during the last 12 months. If both parents provided an exact equal amount of financial support or if they don't support you financially, provide information for the parent with the greater income or assets.
Unmarried and both legal parents living together	Both of your legal parents
Married	Both of your parents
Remarried (after being widowed or divorced)	Parent and stepparent
Divorced or separated	Provide information about the parent who provided more financial support during the last 12 months. If both parents provided an exact equal amount of financial support or if they don't support you financially, provide information for the parent with the greater income or assets.
Widowed	Your parent



## Parents or Spouses

Your answers to the FAFSA® form will determine if any contributors need to be identified. These contributors will complete their own sections of the form and are asked to provide personal and financial information, but will not become financially responsible for the student's education.



## How To Invite

Contributors will need to log in with their own FSA ID to provide their information. To invite a contributor to a FAFSA form, you'll need to provide their name, date of birth, Social Security number, and email address.

- **Parent with SSN** – You will need your Personal Identifiable Information (*legal name, date of birth, etc.*), social security number and personal email (*not already associated with other account*).
- **Parent without SSN** – You will need your Personal Identifiable Information (*legal name, date of birth, etc.*), mailing address, and personal email (*not already associated with other account*).

# Eligibility for FAFSA

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1. Be a U.S. citizen, eligible non-citizen, permanent resident, “T” Visa holders
2. Have a valid Social Security number
3. Have a High School diploma or GED or equivalent; ***AND***
4. Enroll in an eligible program of study seeking an Associate degree or Certificate

# Eligibility for CA Dream Act (CADAA)

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1. Students not eligible to file the FAFSA; AND
  - Undocumented, valid or expired DACA, “U” Visa holders & Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
2. Meeting AB-540 requirements:
  - Attended a CA high school and received 3 years of credit or equivalent,
  - Graduated from a CA high school or equivalent, **AND**
  - Attend a qualifying CA institution
    - *Complete the AB540 form with Admission & Records Office*
3. Enroll in an eligible Associate degree or Certificate

# FAFSA Application Walkthrough

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# How to Apply – FAFSA

To get started, visit  
[studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov)



*Scan the QR  
code for quick  
access*



**A Better 2024–25 FAFSA Form**

The FAFSA form is available for short periods of time while we monitor site performance and update the form to provide you with a better experience. [Learn more about the 2024–25 FAFSA form.](#)

2024–25 FAFSA® Form

[Start New Form](#) [Access Existing Form](#)

Need to access last year's form? [Start or Edit a 2023–24 FAFSA Form](#)

The screenshot shows the FAFSA website interface. On the right, the word "FAFSA" is written in large blue letters with a registered trademark symbol, and the word "form" is written in smaller blue letters below it. Illustrations of students are integrated with the letters: a student with a backpack is on the left, a student is sitting on the top of the 'A', and another student is sitting on the bottom of the 'A'.

# How to Apply – FAFSA

Start New Form

Access Existing Form

Log In 

Email, Phone, or FSA ID Username

Password

 [Show Password](#)

Log In

[Forgot My Username](#)

[Forgot My Password](#)

[Create an Account](#)

[Help Me Log In to My Account](#)

## 2024–25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) Form

[In Review](#)

### FAFSA® Information

Student

### Status Tracker

1  FAFSA® Form Started  
Started on Jan 3, 2024

You will complete most of the form yourself, including your personal and financial information. Your contributor(s) will need to fill out their own section(s). If your contributor(s) can't access the site due to scheduled maintenance, they will be able to log in once the site is available again. Your data is still in the system and is secure. Once all required sections are complete, everyone must sign and submit.

2 FAFSA® Form Submitted

Your application was received. We'll share your FAFSA information with your selected schools starting in late January, and you'll begin receiving personalized aid information from the schools you've been accepted to several weeks later.  
Jan 3, 2024 FAFSA form received.

3 FAFSA® Form Processed

Started on  
Jan 3, 2024

Submitted on  
Jan 3, 2024

### More Resources

[Understand My Aid](#)

[FAFSA Landing Page](#)

[Information on Federal Pell Grant Program](#)

[Information on Federal Work-Study \(FWS\) Program](#)

[How is my eligibility determined?](#)

# FAFSA: Starting Application

FAFSA<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024-25

Welcome, [redacted],  
to the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Form

I am starting the FAFSA form as a

Student 

Parent 

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Understanding the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Form

1 of 4

What is the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form?

Understanding the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Form

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Contributors to the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Form

Understanding the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Form

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What To Expect

How long will this take? ⌚ 1 hour

Understanding the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> Form

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After Submitting the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form

# FAFSA: Student Identity Information

**FAFSA**<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024-25 Student

Save | FAFSA Menu

## Student Identity Information

Review the information below and verify that it's correct before moving forward.

Name

Date of Birth

Social Security Number

Email Address

Mobile Phone Number

*To update this information for all U.S. Department of Education communications, go to Account Settings.*

*To update this information for all U.S. Department of Education communications, go to Account Settings.*

Permanent Mailing Address  
*Include apartment number.*

City

State

Zip Code

Country 

[Continue](#)

# FAFSA:

## *Student State of Legal Residence*

The screenshot shows the FAFSA 2024-25 Student State of Legal Residence form. At the top left, it says "FAFSA® FORM 2024-25" and "Student" with a dropdown menu. At the top right, there are "Save" and "FAFSA Menu" buttons. The main heading is "Student State of Legal Residence". Below this is a "State" dropdown menu with an information icon. A horizontal line separates this from the "Date the Student Became a Legal Resident of California (CA)" section. This section has two dropdown menus for "Month" and "Year", both with information icons. At the bottom, there are "Previous" and "Continue" buttons.

**NOTE** – Enter the date you started living in the state selected below. If you have lived in the same state since birth, enter your date of birth.

# FAFSA: Providing Consent for IRS

**FAFSA**<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024–25 Student

## Provide Consent and Approval or Be Ineligible for Federal Student Aid

### Summary

Your consent and approval is needed to retrieve and disclose federal tax information. With your consent and approval, we can obtain tax return information automatically from the IRS to help you complete the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form. If you don't provide consent and approval, you will not be eligible for federal student aid, including grants and loans. You must provide consent and approval even if you didn't file a U.S. federal tax return or any tax return at all.

- Get your 2022 tax return information for the 2024–25 FAFSA form.
- Tax return information is required to complete the FAFSA form.
- Federal tax information is used to determine your eligibility for federal student aid.

### Frequently Asked Questions

- Who should provide consent and approval?
- If I'm married and didn't file a joint tax return with my current spouse, does my spouse have to provide consent and approval for you to access their tax information?
- What happens after I provide consent and approval?
- What happens if I decline consent and approval?

*Select "Approve" to consent and approve to using your federal tax information to determine your eligibility for federal student aid. If you select "Decline," you will not be eligible for federal student aid.*

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# Sections on the FAFSA Applications



# FAFSA:

## Section ONE – Your Personal Circumstances

**FAFSA**<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024–25  Student

### Your Personal Circumstances

We'll ask you questions that help us determine your eligibility for federal student aid. This information can affect the types of federal student aid you're eligible to receive.

→ Sometimes we need to collect information from other people after we review your answers. We'll let you know if this is the case.



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Student Current Marital Status ⓘ

Student College or Career School Plans

Student Personal Circumstances

Student Other Circumstances

# FAFSA: Section TWO – Demographics

## Student Demographics

We'll ask questions about you and your parent(s). Some of these questions will help determine how much federal student aid you may be eligible to receive for school.

FAFSA<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024–25 Student

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### Your Dependency Status

**Independent Student**

Based on your answers, you're an independent student. This means you don't need to answer questions about your parents to complete your FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form.

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Student Demographic Information

Student Race and Ethnicity ⓘ

Student Citizenship Status ⓘ

Parent Education Status

Parent Killed in Line of Duty

Student High School Completion Status

# FAFSA: Parent Sections – Contributor

## Invite Parent(s) to This FAFSA® Form



### We Need Information for One of Your Parents Now

Based on your answers in the previous section, you'll need to provide information about both of your parents on your FAFSA form. This does not make them financially responsible for your education. Right now, you should only invite one of your parents.

Enter information about one of your parents identified on the prior page, and we'll send an email on your behalf.

We highly recommend you only complete the "Parent Who Will Fill Out This Form" box.

*Only the email address does not need to match.*



### Parent Who Will Fill Out This Form

Invite Sent to



### Parent Spouse or Partner

*Do not fill out this section unless otherwise instructed*

First Name ⓘ

Last Name ⓘ

## Parent initial invite Email:

tristan h can't be eligible for federal student aid without your input. Help them complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* form.

**Providing information as a contributor does not make you financially responsible for tristan's education costs.** Completing the FAFSA form is how they qualify for student aid including

- Federal Pell Grants,
- federal student loans,
- state financial aid, and
- school financial aid.

Create an account or log in with an existing FSA ID (account username and password) to access and complete your section of the form. Creating a new FSA ID takes 10-15 minutes, but it can take up to three days for approval.

**Note: Forms are deleted after 45 days of inactivity.**

Don't recognize tristan? Read about [what to do if you got an invite and don't recognize the sender.](#)

[Get Started](#)

# FAFSA: *Parent Sections – Contributor*

## My Activity

tristan [redacted] Wants Your Help on a FAFSA® Form

tristan [redacted] has identified you as a parent on their *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form.

Parents are required to provide their financial and demographic information on the student's FAFSA form. This does not make you financially responsible for tristan's educational costs or any federal student loans they decide to accept.

Visit the 2024–25 FAFSA Help Center

[Accept Invitation](#) [Decline Invitation](#)



By accepting this invitation, you agree to share your personal and contact information from your StudentAid.gov account on the student's FAFSA form. Once you accept, your information will be linked to this form.

### By Accepting This Invitation You Agree to Share Your Information

We will need to use some personal information we already have on file about you in order to fill out the necessary steps in this FAFSA® form. Additionally, by accepting this invitation, you approve of the use and disclosure of any federal tax information for which you previously provided consent and approval to the U.S. Department of Education for the 2024-25 FAFSA cycle for purposes of completing this FAFSA form, to which you've been invited to participate.

[Go Back](#) [Continue](#)

FAFSA® FORM 2024–25 Parent of [redacted]

### Parent Identity Information

Review the information below and verify that it's correct before moving forward.

# FAFSA: Section THREE – Financial

Federal Benefits Received

**FAFSA**<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024–25

## Your Finances

The FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form helps determine your ability to pay for school. In this section, we ask about your financial information.

What if you have special financial circumstances?



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### Family Size

Is the student's family size different from the number of individuals claimed on their 2022 tax return? ①

*Family size includes: The student (and their spouse), other people, if they now live with the student and the student will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2024, and June 30, 2025. This includes dependent children who meet these criteria, even if they live apart because of college enrollment.*

Number in College

Student 2022 Tax Return Information

Annual Child Support Received

# FAFSA:

## Section FOUR – Select Colleges

FAFSA<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024-25 Student

### Select Colleges

Search for and select colleges and career schools you're considering so they automatically receive an electronic copy of the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form.

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

Search and select colleges and career schools.

If you can't find your school when searching by School Name or State, try searching by School Code.

You can add up to 20 colleges and career schools to the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form.



0 out of 20 schools selected

[View Selected Schools](#)

# FAFSA: Section FIVE – Signature (Student)

FAFSA<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024–25 Student [redacted] Save | FAFSA Menu

**Take a Moment To Review Before Signing**

Expand the sections below to review and edit the information you've entered before you sign your portion of the form.



**Student Sections** Expand All

- Introduction Personal Identifiers
- Section 1 Personal Circumstances
- Section 2 Demographics
- Section 3 Financials
- Section 4 Colleges
- Section 5 Signature

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FAFSA<sup>®</sup> FORM 2024–25 Student [redacted] Save | FAFSA Menu

Personal Circumstances Demographics Financials Colleges **5** Signature

**Sign and Submit the FAFSA Form**

**Summary**

This page confirms that you understand the terms and conditions of the FAFSA<sup>®</sup> form and filled out the form accurately to the best of your ability.

The FAFSA form is a legal document you will electronically sign with your account username and password (FSA ID). Because your FSA ID is associated with your personal information, do not share it with anyone.

**Sign and Submit Your FAFSA Form**

I, [redacted], agree to the terms outlined above.

Previous Sign and Submit

# FAFSA Application: *SUBMIT!*

**Congratulations,**  
The FAFSA® Form Is Complete!

[Redacted Name]

Completion Date	Data Release Number	Estimated Student Aid Index (SAI)
01/03/2024	3856	23923

*The SAI is not a measure of how much student aid you'll receive or how much you'll pay for college. Schools use your SAI to determine your federal student aid eligibility.*

Based on the eligibility criteria, you don't appear to be eligible for a Federal Pell Grant. However, you may be eligible for other federal, state, or institutional grants, scholarships, and/or work-study programs.

### What Happens Next

- Check Your Email**  
You will receive an email version of this confirmation page at the following email address: emmanuel.lunaoro@gmail.com.
- Track the Status of Your Form**  
Check the status of your form beginning in late January by logging into your StudentAid.gov account and selecting your FAFSA submission from the My Activity section of your account Dashboard. Look for an email at the end of January to learn when your FAFSA information has been sent to your selected schools.
- You Will Receive School Communications**  
We use the information collected on your FAFSA form to calculate your Student Aid Index (SAI). The SAI lets schools determine the aid you're eligible to receive. The schools you selected on your form will receive your FAFSA information starting in late January, and you'll begin receiving personalized aid information from the schools you've been accepted to several weeks later. Once received, you can contact their financial aid offices directly to ask questions about their student aid packages.

# FAFSA: Additional Sections– Signature (Parent)

Parent Completed Email:

The screenshot shows the FAFSA parent section completion interface. At the top left, it says 'SA FORM 2024-25' and 'Parent of [redacted]'. There are 'Save' and 'FAFSA Menu' buttons at the top right. The main heading is 'You're Almost There!' with a sub-heading 'The parent section is complete!'. Below this is a box titled 'Requirements for FAFSA® Submission' with the text: 'This FAFSA® form is not complete until all required contributors fill in their sections of the form and sign it. Once completed, the FAFSA form will be submitted for processing.' At the bottom, there is a table with columns for Contributor(s), Role, Date Added, and Status.

Contributor(s)	Role	Date Added	Status
[redacted]	Parent	1/2/2024	Section Complete

The screenshot shows an email confirmation page with a dark blue header that says 'Thanks for Completing Your Section'. Below the header is a white box containing a small icon of a document with a checkmark and the text: '[redacted] can track the status of their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form from their Dashboard and see that your section is complete.'

# CA Dream Act (CADAA)

## Walkthrough

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# How to Apply – CA Dream Act (CADAA)

To get started,  
visit  
[dream.csac.ca.gov](http://dream.csac.ca.gov)



Scan the QR  
code for quick  
access

 STUDENT ACCOUNT	 PARENT SIGNATURE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Submit a CA Dream Act Application</li><li>▪ Update a previously submitted CA Dream Act Application</li><li>▪ Retrieve Username or Password</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Reserved for parent(s) ONLY</li><li>▪ Sign your child's CA Dream Act Application</li></ul>
<a href="#">Login</a>	<a href="#">Sign</a>
<b>Need an Account?</b> Click <a href="#">here</a> for first-time account registration.	

### Registration

**STOP!** If you already have a CSAC account, do not create a new account. Instead, click [here](#) to Retrieve your User ID and/or Password.

#### Welcome

Completion of the California Dream Act Application is required to determine state financial aid for eligible California AB 540 students. Your application will be processed by the California Student Aid Commission.

The following questions will determine whether this is the best financial aid application for you or whether you should fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

# CADAA: Pre-Screening & Starting Application

Do you have a social security number?

Yes  No

Do you meet the AB540 criteria list below?

Yes  No

1. Satisfaction of either of the following:

- A. High school attendance in California for three or more years, **OR**
- B. Attainment of credits earned in California from a California high school equivalent to three or more years of full-time high school coursework and a total of three or more years of attendance in California elementary schools, California secondary schools, or a combination of those schools. **OR**
- C. Attainment of credits earned at a California adult school, **OR**
- D. Credits earned at a California Community College, **OR**
- E. A combination of the schools listed above

2. Graduated or will graduate from a California high school, **OR**

Attainment of General Education Development (GED), High School Equivalency Test (HSET), Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC), **OR**

Attainment of an associate degree from a California Community College, **OR**

Fulfillment of minimum transfer requirements from a California Community College to a University of California or California State University, **AND**

3. Will register or enroll in an accredited and qualifying California college or university, **AND**

4. If applicable, complete(d) an affidavit to legalize immigration status as soon as you are eligible, **AND**

5. Do not hold a valid non-immigrant visa (F, J, H, L, A, B, C, D, E, etc.)\*

\*Note: If you have Temporary Protected Status or hold a U Visa select "Yes"

## Answer "Yes"

Based on the responses you provided, you are eligible to file a California Dream Act Application.

Click the link below to begin your California Dream Act Application.

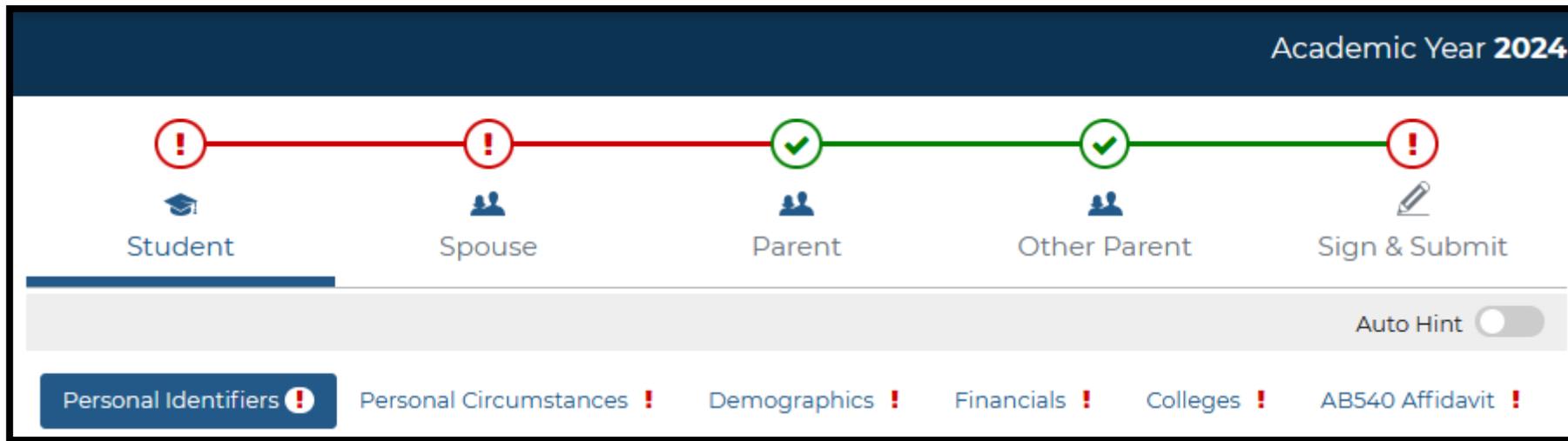
[Start Application](#)

## Answer "No"

Based on the responses you provided, we are unable to determine your eligibility to file a California Dream Act Application.

We encourage you to speak with your high school counselor or an administrator in the financial aid office at the college you plan to attend for guidance.

# Sections on the Applications (CADAA)



# CADAA: Student Section – Personal Identifiers

Progress bar: Student (!), Spouse (!), Parent (✓), Other Parent (✓), Sign & Submit (!)

Auto Hint

Personal Identifiers ! Personal Circumstances ! Demographics ! Financials ! Colleges ! AB540 Affidavit !

### STUDENT IDENTITY

Your FIRST NAME \*

Your MIDDLE NAME

Your LAST NAME \*

Your SUFFIX ⓘ

Your Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) ⓘ  [Show](#)

Your DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) \*

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STUDENT IDENTITY

STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION

RACE/ETHNICITY/GENDER/LANGUAGE

STATE OF RESIDENCE

# CADAA: Student Section – Personal Circumstances

! ✓ ✓ ✓ !  
Student Spouse Parent Other Parent Sign & Submit

Auto Hint

Personal Identifiers ! Personal Circumstances ! Demographics ! Financials ! Colleges ! AB540 Affidavit !

**STUDENT MARITAL STATUS**

Your MARITAL STATUS as of today \* ⓘ

Single (Never married) v

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STUDENT MARITAL STATUS

STUDENT COLLEGE OR CAREER PLANS

STUDENT PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

STUDENT OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES

STUDENT UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES

# CADAA: Student Section – Demographics

Student Spouse Parent Other Parent Sign & Submit

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Personal Identifiers ! Personal Circumstances ! Demographics ! Financials ! Colleges ! AB540 Affidavit !

**PARENT EDUCATION STATUS**

Did either of your parents attend or complete college? **i**

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PARENT EDUCATION STATUS

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

STUDENT FAMILY SIZE

# CADAA: Student Section – Financials

The screenshot shows the CADAA Student Section - Financials form. At the top, there is a progress bar with five steps: Student (marked with a red exclamation mark), Spouse (marked with a green checkmark), Parent (marked with a green checkmark), Other Parent (marked with a green checkmark), and Sign & Submit (marked with a red exclamation mark). Below the progress bar, there is a navigation menu with the following items: Personal Identifiers (marked with a red exclamation mark), Personal Circumstances (marked with a red exclamation mark), Demographics (marked with a red exclamation mark), Financials (highlighted in blue and marked with a red exclamation mark), Colleges (marked with a red exclamation mark), and AB540 Affidavit (marked with a red exclamation mark). An 'Auto Hint' toggle switch is located to the right of the navigation menu. The main content area is titled 'FEDERAL BENEFITS RECEIVED' and contains the following text: 'At any time during 2022 or 2023, **did you or anyone in your family** receive benefits from any of the following programs? Select all that apply **or** select None of the Above. (click on the information icon for instructions) **i**'. Below this text, there is a list of programs with checkboxes. The first item is 'Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) **i**' with an unchecked checkbox.

FEDERAL BENEFITS RECEIVED

STUDENT TAX FILING STATUS

STUDENT 2022 TAX RETURN INFORMATION

# CADAA: Student Section – Colleges & DSIG

Student Spouse Parent Other Parent Sign & Submit

Auto Hint

Personal Identifiers ! Personal Circumstances ! Demographics ! Financials ! **Colleges !** AB540 Affidavit !

### STUDENT SCHOOL CHOICES

Are you interested in being considered for the California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) Program? **i**

Yes  
 No  
 Don't Know

#### Help & Hints ×

The California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) Program encourages California Dream Act Applicant (CADAA) students to perform community or volunteer service. Upon completion, DSIG participants are eligible to receive a grant award. Learn more about the DSIG Program at <https://www.csac.ca.gov/dsig>. Select "Yes" if you are interested and would like to receive future communications regarding the DSIG Program.

# CADAA:

## Student Section – AB540 Affidavit (Pt.1)

Personal Identifiers ! Personal Circumstances ! Demographics ! Financials ! Colleges ! **AB540 Affidavit !**

### GRADUATION AND TRANSFER REQUIREMENT

The following questions part of this "AB 540 Affidavit" subsection must be completed for campuses to determine if you are AB 540 eligible and thus, be exempt from paying non-resident tuition. To learn more about the AB 540 criteria, visit <https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/california-nonresident-tuition-exemption>. It is recommended, although not required, that you have your transcripts and school attendance records available to accurately complete the following set of questions about your eligibility for the Non-Resident Tuition Exemption (AB 540). Please note that your college is responsible for verifying your AB 540 eligibility, which may require submission of transcripts or other documentation to determine your eligibility. Check with the college's Admissions Office after you submit your CA Dream Act Application and before the term starts.

I have graduated or will graduate (before the first term of enrollment at the college/university) with a California high school diploma or the equivalent (i.e., California-issued GED, HiSET, TASC, or CHSPE). **i**

Yes  
 No

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I completed or will complete (before the first term of enrollment at the college/university) an associate degree from a California Community College. **i**

Yes  
 No

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I completed or will complete (before the first term of enrollment at the college/university) the minimum requirements at a California Community College for transfer to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC). **i**

Yes  
 No

# CADAA: Student Section – AB540 Affidavit (Pt.2)

Personal Identifiers ! Personal Circumstances ! Demographics ! Financials ! Colleges ! **AB540 Affidavit !**

### TIME AND COURSEWORK REQUIREMENT

I have 3 years of attendance at a California high school. **i**

Yes  
 No

I have 3 or more years of high school coursework and 3 years of attendance in California elementary schools, California secondary schools, or a combination of California elementary schools and secondary schools. **i**

Yes  
 No

I attended or attained credits from a California high school, California adult school, and/or California Community College equivalent to 3 years or more. **i**

Yes  
 No

Personal Identifiers ! Personal Circumstances ! Demographics ! Financials ! Colleges ! **AB540 Affidavit !**

### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Add Schools  
(click on the information icon for instructions) **i**

**Help & Hints** ✕

Please add the information about all the schools you attended that would satisfy the requirements from the questions asked earlier in this section. We recommend that you have all your transcripts/school records available to help you answer the following questions as accurate as possible to prevent delays in processing your AB 540 (non-resident tuition exemption).

Enter School name \* **i**

Enter City \*

Select State \*

-- SELECT --

Enter Start Date \*

Enter End Date \*

**Add**

# CADAA: Parent(s) Section – Demographics

**Demographics** Financial

Section I - Parent Marital Status

63) \* What is your parents' marital status as of today? Complete this section if you (the student) answered "No" to all questions 46 through 58. If your parents are living together but are not married select "Unmarried and both parents living together," and enter the income below for both parents. ⓘ

– Select –

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 Not Required

You are considered an "independent" student. You are not required to answer the parental questions.

Section II - Personal Information for Parent 1

Section III - Personal Information for Parent 2

Section IV - Parent Email and State

Section V - Parent Household Info

# CADAA: Parent(s) Section – Financials

Demographics ! **Financial !**

**Section I - Parent Tax Filing Status**

84) \* For [redacted], have your parents completed an IRS income tax return or another return?

85) What type of income tax return did or will your parents file for [redacted]?

86) What was or will be your parents' tax filing status for [redacted]?

87) Did (or will) your parents file a Schedule 1 with their [redacted] tax return?

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## Section II - Parent IRS Information

 Not Required

Based on the answers you have selected,  
you are not required to answer any  
questions in this section.

## Section III - Parent Assets and Wages

## Section IV - Parent additional IRS /Financial Information

## Section V - Parent Untaxed Information

## Section VI - Parent Benefit Programs

# CADAA: FINAL Section – SIGN & SUBMIT!

Signature **!** Confirmation CalSAR

**READ BEFORE PROCEEDING**

By signing this application electronically or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, YOU, as the STUDENT, certify that:

- You will use state student financial aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education;
- You are not in default on any student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it;
- You do not owe money back on any student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it;
- You will notify your college if you default on any student loan; and
- You will not receive a Cal Grant from more than one college for the same period of time.

You agree, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form. This information may include U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file. Also, you certify that you understand that the State of California has the authority to verify information reported on this application with the Internal Revenue Service. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be subject to significant financial penalties, sent to prison, or both.

I hereby declare that, if I am without a lawful immigration status, I have filed an application to legalize my immigration status or will file an application as soon as I am eligible to do so.

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury that the information I have provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this information will be used to determine my eligibility for the California Nonresident Tuition Exemption. I further understand that if any of the information is found to be false, I will be liable for payment of all nonresident tuition charges from which I was exempted and may be subject to disciplinary action by the College or University.

By clicking Submit below, I am affirming that the information I listed on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that it is illegal to report false or misleading information. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

**Student Signature**

Submit

Student Parent **Sign & Submit**

Signature **Confirmation** CalSAR

2022 - 2023 CA Dream Act Application Confirmation Page

CA Dream ID #:

Transaction Date: 10/27/2021

Transaction Number: 1

Estimated Expected Family: 0

PRINT

Student Parent **Sign & Submit**

Signature Confirmation **CalSAR**

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**Application in process**

Your application is currently being processed and may take up to 24 hours to complete.

Please wait until 10/28/2021 04:11:12 PM to make corrections or updates to your application.

Ok