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Office of Financial Aid Information Needed to Complete the FAFSA Independent Students

In order to complete the FAFSA, you will need to bring information for the student and spouse if you are married.

What determines if the student is independent or dependent?

- **Students 24 and older are independent**
- **Students younger than 24 are NOT independent, unless:**
 - **They have served on active military duty (not solely for training),**
 - **If they are married,**
 - **If they have a children they support, must be employed,**

Checklist for what to bring to complete your FAFSA:

- Student's FSA ID if created for a previous FAFSA
- Student's legal names (as on birth certificate and social security card)
- Student's Social Security number
- Student's dates of birth
- Student's driver's license number
- Email address for student – you must create one if you do not have one
- Access to cell phone for student to verify phone number via text
- Student's marital status date - marriage date, divorce date, or separation date
- If you are in a legal guardianship, bring court papers for the guardianship.
- If you are independent because you are under 24 and have children you support, bring birth certificates and social security cards.
- W-2 forms and other records of money earned in 2018 (student and spouse, if married)
- 2018 Federal Income Tax Return (the 1040 form for student and spouse, if married) – If you and your spouse file separately, bring copies of both tax returns.
- Value of bank accounts and investments

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