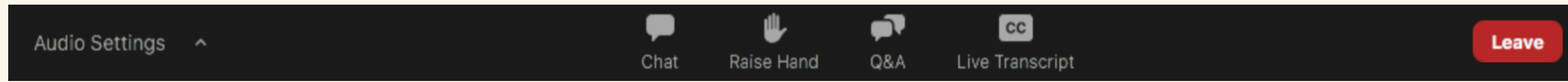


How to Create Your FSA ID

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Who Needs an FSA ID?

- Student
- The student's spouse if filed married filing separately tax return or if neither filed a tax return
- A biological or adoptive parent who files a joint return
- Both parents if filed married filing separately returns
- The spouse of the remarried parent who is on the FAFSA if separate tax returns were filed
- Unmarried biological parents of the dependent student
- Each parent of a dependent student if neither filed a tax return

What Remains the Same

- Students will need a StudentAid.gov account (FSA ID) to start the FAFSA online
- Users will be presented with the same questions in the account creation process
 - Personal Information (Name, DOB, Social Security Number)
 - Account Information (Username and Password)
 - Contact Information
 - Communication Preferences
 - Challenge Questions
- Users will continue to set up multi-factor authentication
- Identity match with the Social Security Administration (SSA) will be completed when SSN is provided

What is Changing

- All contributors must have an FSA ID to access the 2024-25 FAFSA online
- Identity match required for each contributor to verify FSA ID
- A verified email address will be required to establish an account
- Users can apply without entering an SSN
- Users without an SSN will complete a knowledge-based identity verification process
- Contributor emails will include customized links depending on if the invited contributor has an FSA ID



ID Verification For Non-SSN Holders

- Knowledge-based identity verification process
- Identity match required for each contributor to verify FSA ID
- Details not yet available: will debut before new FAFSA

Screenshot Of Account Creation Page

Create an Account

Step 1 of 7

Personal Information

I understand that I'll be required to certify that the information I provide to create an account is true and correct and that I'm the individual who I claim to be.

If I'm not the person I claim to be, I understand that I'm not authorized to proceed and that I should exit this form now. If I provide false or misleading information, I understand that I may be subject to a fine, prison time, or both.

First Name

Middle Initial

Last Name

Date of Birth
Month: Day: Year:

Social Security Number

I don't have a Social Security number.

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