

# 2016-2017 FAFSA Appointments

## Need help filing the FAFSA for college?

The NHHEAF Network Organizations' Center for College Planning is pleased to offer New Hampshire students and parents **FREE** File-a-FAFSA assistance at its College Planning Library in Concord, NH.

**Weekday** hour-long appointments will be offered from **October 3, 2016 - March 7, 2017** at the following times:

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.  
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.  
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

(Limited evening appointments are available, including  
November 2, January 18, January 25, February 8, and February 22)

**Saturday** appointments will be offered in 2017 on **January 14, January 28, and February 25** at the following times:

8:30 - 9:15 a.m.  
9:30 - 10:15 a.m.  
10:30 - 11:15 a.m.  
11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
12:45 - 1:30 p.m.  
1:45 - 2:30 p.m.  
2:45 - 3:30 p.m.

## What to bring to your appointment:

- Completed 2015 Federal Tax Return (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ) and all W2 documents
- Social Security Numbers and Birth Dates for parent(s) and student
- FSA IDs (username and password) for one parent and student  
*(see reverse side for instructions)*
- Balance of Cash, Savings and Checking Accounts
- Balance of Other Non-Retirement Assets and Second Property Equity Information
- List of Colleges/Universities Applied to (or planning to apply to) by the student
- Alien Registration Card (if appropriate)

You do not need to wait until you have been accepted for admission to apply for financial aid! Schedule your FAFSA appointment today by calling the Center for College Planning at 888.7.GRADUATE, ext. 119.



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## Helpful Tips For Setting Up Your FSA ID

1. Go to <https://fsaid.ed.gov>
2. Write down – and store in a safe place - the FSA ID username and password for the student and one parent. These are case-sensitive, so be sure to indicate if the letters are uppercase or lowercase. Do not use any part of your name or date of birth in the password.
3. The first two challenge questions must be chosen from the list of drop-down options. The next two are challenge questions of your choosing. Here are some suggestions for challenge questions you need to create:
  - a. Name of street you grew up on
  - b. Mother's maiden name
  - c. Name of first pet
  - d. Name of high school
  - e. Spouse's first name
4. The last question asks you to list a significant date in your life. They do not list prompt options, so chose one that you consider to be the most important (Suggestions of dates you might want to use are: your graduation date, the date you are completing the FSA ID, etc.)
5. You will be prompted to verify your email address or FAFSA PIN number by accessing a link sent to your email. This is not necessary to do – you may still use your newly-created FSA ID, however it will take between one and three days to verify the information with the Social Security Administration.
6. Currently, FSA IDs are valid for only 18 months.

### Helpful Tips:

1. Apply for one student and one parent FSA ID. The student and parent must list different email addresses when applying for their FSA IDs.
2. Your FSA ID is your permanent identification for Federal Student Aid and will be used for all future FAFSA applications and for Federal Direct Loans, should you choose to borrow.
3. Your FSA ID is tied to your Social Security Number so you cannot simply create a new one if you forget your username and password.
4. Retrieval of forgotten or locked FSA ID information is easiest if you have a verified email address; if possible, use a non-school email address that you will continue to use in the future.

