What is an FSA ID?

An FSA ID is a username and password that you must use to log in to certain U.S. Department of Education (ED) websites. Your FSA ID identifies you as someone who has the right to access your own personal information on ED websites such as the Free Application for Federal Student Aid(FAFSA®) at fafsa.gov.

Your FSA ID is used to sign legally binding documents electronically. It has the same legal status as a written signature. **Don't give your FSA ID to anyone—not even to someone helping you fill out the FAFSA**. Sharing your FSA ID could put you at risk of identity theft!

How do I get an FSA ID?

You can create an FSA ID when logging into certain ED websites, including this one: https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm

The FSA ID process consists of three main steps:

- 1. Enter your log-in information.
 - Provide your e-mail address, a unique username, and password, and verify that you are at least 13 years old.
- 2. Enter your personal information.
 - Provide your Social Security number, name, and date of birth.
 - Include your mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number, and language preference.
 - For security purposes, provide answers to five challenge questions.
- 3. Submit your FSA ID information.
 - Agree to the terms and conditions.
 - Verify your e-mail address. (This is optional, but helpful. By verifying your e-mail address, you can use your e-mail address as your username when logging into certain ED websites. This verification also allows you to retrieve your username or reset your password without answering challenge questions.)

Where can I use my FSA ID?

Once your information is verified with the Social Security Administration (one-three days from the date you apply), you will be able to use your FSA ID to access your personal information on any of these ED websites, depending on what you need to do:

<u>fafsa.gov</u>	Electronically sign your (or your child's) FAFSA. Import your tax information from the Internal Revenue Service. Prefill data in this year's FAFSA if you filed a FAFSA last year. That's called filling out a Renewal FAFSA. Make online corrections to an existing FAFSA. View or print an online copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR).
My Federal Student Aid at StudentAid.gov/login or the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS) atwww.nslds.ed.gov	View a history of any federal student aid that you have received. Look up your <i>loan servicer</i> 's contact information.
StudentLoans.gov	Complete entrance counseling, the Financial Awareness Counseling Tool, or exit counseling. Electronically sign a master promissory note(MPN). Complete PLUS loan requests. Estimate your student loan payments using the Repayment Estimator. Apply for an income-driven repayment plan or a consolidation loan.
Agreement to Serve (ATS) at www.teach- ats.ed.gov	Sign your ATS for the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program.