

The Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA) is a **free** application that collects information to help determine eligibility for state (or institutional) financial aid programs administered by institutions of higher education in the state of Texas.

Students classified as Texas residents who are not eligible to apply for federal financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) are encouraged to complete the TASFA. To review the FAFSA filing requirements, visit studentaid.gov or contact the financial aid office at the institution you plan to attend for the 2025-26 award year. The federal application covers federal and state financial aid opportunities. If you meet the FAFSA filing requirements, then you should submit a completed FAFSA.

DO NOT COMPLETE BOTH THE FAFSA AND TASFA.

The 2025-26 state financial aid priority application deadline for many institutions of higher education is **February 15, 2025**. It is important to complete and submit this application with all required documentation to the financial aid office **on or before February 15** to be considered for the most financial aid possible.

To complete this application, answer each item within each applicable section. If a question does not apply to you, answer N/A for *not applicable*. For clarification on certain items, refer to the **TASFA Notes on pages 7-12**. If you have further questions about this form, contact the financial aid office at your institution. More information on the TASFA can be found at <https://www.highered.texas.gov/students-families/tasfa/>.

Note: Personal information collected on the TASFA is protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974.

SECTION 1: STUDENT INFORMATION

DEMOGRAPHICS

1. Last Name		2. First Name		3. Middle Initial	
4. Date of Birth		5. What is your Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN), Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) number? _____ [] N/A			
6. Your permanent mailing address number and street (include apt. number)					
7. City		8. State		9. ZIP Code	
10. Phone Number					
11. Your Email Address					

EDUCATION DETAILS

12. What will your high school (HS) completion status be when you begin college in the 2025-26 school year?		[] High School Diploma		[] Homeschooled (Skip to question 14)	
		[] High School Equivalency Certificate (i.e., GED, HiSET, etc.) (Skip to questions 13c & 13d)		[] None of these (Skip to question 14)	
13a. High School Name (If applicable)					
13b. High School City (If applicable)		13c. HS State (If applicable)		13d. HS ZIP code (If applicable)	
14. Will you have your first bachelor's degree before you begin the 2025-26 school year? [] Yes [] No					

SELECTIVE SERVICE STATEMENT OF REGISTRATION STATUS

An individual born male must complete the Selective Service Statement of Registration Status below, in accordance with [Texas Education Code, Title 3, Section 51.9095](#). For more information on Selective Service registration, visit sss.gov.

15. Were you born male or female? [] Male [] Female

16. Please mark one option below:

___ I was born female and not required to register.

___ I was born male and am under the age of 18, and not currently required to register.

___ I was born male and am **REGISTERED** with the Selective Service.

___ I was born male and am over age 18. I am not registered with the Selective Service, and I am not exempt.

___ I was born male and am **EXEMPT** from registration because:
(please briefly explain why you are exempt in the box below.)

STUDENT MARITAL STATUS

17. What is your marital status as of today? <input type="checkbox"/> Single (<i>never married</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Married (<i>not separated</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Remarried <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed	18. Month and year you were married, remarried, separated, divorced, or widowed. Month: _____ Year: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
19. Spouse's Last Name _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	20. Spouse's First Name _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
21. What is your spouse's Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN), Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) number? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

STUDENT EARNINGS AND TAX INFORMATION

The financial aid office may require documentation, such as W-2s, tax returns, or tax transcripts. See *Notes for questions 22-29*.

22. How much did you earn from working in 2023? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	23. How much did your spouse earn from working in 2023? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
24. For 2023, have you completed your IRS income tax return or another tax return? <input type="checkbox"/> Already completed <input type="checkbox"/> Will file <input type="checkbox"/> Not going to file (<i>Skip to question 30</i>)	25. What income tax return did you file or will file for 2023? <input type="checkbox"/> IRS 1040 <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign tax return, IRS 1040NR or IRS 1040NR-EZ <input type="checkbox"/> Tax return from Puerto Rico, a U.S. territory, or Freely Associated State
26. What is or will be your tax filing status for 2023? <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Head of Household <input type="checkbox"/> Married filing jointly <input type="checkbox"/> Married filing separately <input type="checkbox"/> Qualifying surviving spouse	27. Did (or will) you file a Schedule A, B, D, E, F or H with your 2023 tax return? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
28. What was your (and spouse's) adjusted gross income for 2023? Adjusted gross income is on IRS Form 1040—line 11. _____	29. Enter your (and spouse's) income tax paid for 2023 from 1040—line 24. If negative, enter zero. _____

DO NOT LEAVE ANY BLANKS. If the answer is zero or the question does not apply to you, enter "0." Report whole dollar yearly amounts with no cents. Enter the combined amounts for you (and your spouse if applicable). See *Notes for questions 30-43*.

STUDENT ASSETS

30. As of today, what is your (and spouse's) total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts? <i>Don't include student financial aid.</i>	
31. As of today, what is the net worth of your (and spouse's) investments, including real estate? <i>Don't include the home you live in. Net worth is the value of the investments minus any debts owed against them.</i>	
32. As of today, what is the net worth of your (and spouse's) current businesses and/or investment farms? <i>Enter the net worth of the student's businesses or for-profit agricultural operations. Net worth is the value of the businesses or farms minus any debts owed against them.</i>	
33. Child support received for any of your children. Don't include foster care or adoption payments.	

STUDENT 2023 ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND UNTAXED INCOME

34. Education credits (American Opportunity Tax Credit and Lifetime Learning Tax Credit) from IRS Form 1040 Schedule 3—line 3 + Form 1040—29.	
35. Taxable college grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS as income . Includes AmeriCorps benefits (awards, living allowances and interest accrual payments), as well as grant and scholarship portions of fellowships and assistantships.	
36. IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, Keogh and other qualified plans from IRS Form 1040 Schedule 1—total of lines 16 + 20.	
37. Tax exempt interest income from IRS Form 1040—line 2a.	
38. Untaxed portions of IRA distributions from IRS Form 1040—line 4a minus 4b.	

39. IRA rollover into another IRA or qualified plan.	
40. Untaxed portions of pensions from IRS Form 1040—line 5a minus 5b.	
41. Pension rollover into an IRA or other qualified plan.	
42. Net profit or loss from IRS Form 1040— line 31 of Schedule C.	
43. Foreign earned income exclusion from IRS Form 1040— line 8d of Schedule 1.	

SECTION 2: STUDENT STATUS DETERMINATION

Answer all questions. See Notes for questions 44-56.

44. Were you born before January 1, 2002?	[] Yes [] No
45. As of today, are you married?	[] Yes [] No
46. At the beginning of the 2025-2026 school year, will you be working on a master's or doctorate program (such as an MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, graduate certificate, etc.)?	[] Yes [] No
47. Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training?	[] Yes [] No
48. Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?	[] Yes [] No
49. Do you have children who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026?	[] Yes [] No
50. Do you have dependents (other than your children or spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2026?	[] Yes [] No
51. At any time since you turned age 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care or were you a dependent or ward of the court?	[] Yes [] No
52. As determined by a court in your state of residence, are you or were you an emancipated minor?	[] Yes [] No
53. Does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?	[] Yes [] No
54. At any time on or after July 1, 2024, did your high school, school district homeless liaison/designee, or financial aid administrator determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?	[] Yes [] No
55. At any time on or after July 1, 2024, did the director or designee of an emergency or transitional shelter, street outreach program, homeless youth drop-in center, or other program serving those experiencing homelessness, determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless.	[] Yes [] No
56. At any time on or after July 1, 2024, did the director or designee of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?	[] Yes [] No

SECTION 3: PARENT INFORMATION



STOP: If you answered “YES” to any of the questions in **SECTION 2**, parental information is **NOT** required. Proceed to **SECTION 4**.

If you answered “NO” to **all the questions in SECTION 2**, you **must include** parental information, even if you do not live with your legal parents (biological, adoptive, or as determined by the state [for example, if the parent is listed on the birth certificate]).

Grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians, widowed stepparents, aunts, uncles, and siblings are **not** considered parents on this form, unless they have legally adopted you. If your legal parents are married to each other, or are not married to each other and **live together**, answer the questions about both of them.

If you are in a single-parent home (e.g., parent(s) was never married, divorced, separated, etc.), review the *TASFA Notes* for clarification.

57. As of today, what is the marital status of your legal parents?

- Single (*never married*) Separated
 Married (*not separated*) Divorced
 Remarried Widowed
 Unmarried and both legal parents living together

58. Month and year your parents were married, remarried, separated, divorced, or widowed:

Month: _____ Year: _____ N/A (Never Married)

PARENT 1

59. Last Name

60. First Name

61. Date of Birth

62. What is your Parent 1's Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN), Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) number?
 _____ N/A

63. Phone Number

64. Email Address

65. Highest level of education completed: Middle School/Jr. High High School College or Beyond Other/Unknown

PARENT 2 (IF APPLICABLE)

66. Last Name

67. First Name

68. Date of Birth

69. What is your Parent 2's Social Security Number (SSN), Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN), Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) number?
 _____ N/A

70. Phone Number

71. Email Address

72. Highest level of education completed: Middle School/Jr. High High School College or Beyond Other/Unknown

PARENT EARNINGS AND TAX INFORMATION

The financial aid office may require documentation, such as W-2s, tax returns, or tax transcripts. See *Notes for questions 73-80*.

73. How much did Parent 1 earn from working in 2023? _____

74. How much did Parent 2 earn from working in 2023? _____
 (If applicable)

75. For 2023, have your parents completed an IRS income or another tax return?

- Already completed
 Will file
 Not going to file (*skip to question 81*)

76. What income tax return did your parents file or will file for 2023?

- IRS 1040
 Foreign tax return, IRS 1040NR or IRS 1040NR-EZ
 Tax return from Puerto Rico, a U.S. territory, or Freely Associated State

77. What is or will be your parents' tax filing status for 2023?

- Single
 Head of household
 Married filing jointly
 Married filing separately
 Qualifying surviving spouse

78. Did (or will) your parents file a Schedule A, B, D, E, F or H with their 2023 tax return?

- Yes
 No
 Don't Know

79. Enter your parents' 2023 adjusted gross income from IRS Form 1040—line 11. _____

80. Enter your parents' 2023 income tax paid from 1040—line 24. If negative, enter a zero. _____

DO NOT LEAVE ANY BLANKS.

If the answer is zero or the question does not apply to you, enter "0." Report whole dollar yearly amounts with no cents. Enter the combined amounts for your parents (if applicable). See Notes for questions 81-94.

PARENT ASSETS

81. As of today, what is your parents' total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts? <i>Don't include student financial aid.</i>	
82. As of today, what is the net worth of your parents' investments, including real estate? <i>Don't include the home in which your parents live. Net worth is the value of the investments minus any debts owed against them.</i>	
83. As of today, what is the net worth of your parents' current businesses and/or investment farms? <i>Enter the net worth of the parents' businesses or for-profit agricultural operations. Net worth is the value of the businesses or farms minus any debts owed against them.</i>	
84. Child support received for any of your children. Don't include foster care or adoption payments.	

PARENT 2023 ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND UNTAXED INCOME (ENTER THE COMBINED AMOUNTS FOR YOUR PARENTS)

85. Education credits (American Opportunity Tax Credit and Lifetime Learning Tax Credit) from IRS Form 1040 Schedule 3—line 3 + Form 1040—29.	
86. Your parents' taxable college grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS as income . Includes AmeriCorps benefits (awards, living allowances and interest accrual payments), as well as grant and scholarship portions of fellowships and assistantships.	
87. IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, Keogh and other qualified plans from IRS Form 1040 Schedule 1—total of lines 16 + 20.	
88. Tax exempt interest income from IRS Form 1040—line 2a.	
89. Untaxed portions of IRA distributions from IRS Form 1040—line 4a minus 4b.	
90. IRA rollover into another IRA or qualified plan.	
91. Untaxed portions of pensions from IRS Form 1040—line 5a minus 5b.	
92. Pension rollover into an IRA or other qualified plan.	
93. Net profit or loss from IRS Form 1040—line 31 of Schedule C.	
94. Foreign earned income exclusion from IRS Form 1040—line 8d of Schedule 1.	

SECTION 4: FAMILY INFORMATION**FEDERAL BENEFITS RECEIVED**

This information being collected below will be used to help determine eligibility for certain state financial aid options. Information disclosed about federal benefits received is protected from unauthorized distribution to third parties under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974.

At any time during 2023 or 2024, did you or anyone **in your family** (including your spouse or parents, if applicable) receive benefits from any of the federal programs listed? Mark all that apply with Yes, No or Prefer not to answer.

95. Medicaid, including the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or refundable credit for coverage under a qualified health plan (QHP)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer
96. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, also known as food stamps	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer
97. Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer
98. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) – may use a different name in different states	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer
99. Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer
100. Earned Income Credit (EIC)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer
101. Federal Housing Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer

FAMILY SIZE

If you answer **“NO”** to all questions in **SECTION 2 (44-56)**, use these instructions to calculate your totals for questions 102 and 103.

- **Total number in family:** Include your parent (and spouse), yourself, your parent’s dependent children (even if they live apart because of college enrollment), and other people living with your parent now. Include these dependent children and other people only if your parent will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026.
- **Total number in college for 2025-26:** Always count yourself as a college student. **Do not include your parents.**

If you answer **“YES”** to any question in **SECTION 2 (44-56)**, use these instructions to calculate your totals for questions 102 and 103.

- **Total number in family:** Include yourself (and spouse), your dependent children (even if they live apart due to college enrollment), and other people living with you now. Include these dependent children and other people only if you will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026.
- **Total number in college for 2025-26:** Always count yourself as a college student.

102. How many people are in your family? (see instructions above) _____

103. How many people in your family will be college students between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026? (see instructions above) _____

SECTION 5: COLLEGE INFORMATION

COLLEGE INFORMATION

If you plan to submit your TASFA to multiple institutions, **answer the questions below for each copy you submit.** Your housing status is based on your living situation at the college you plan to attend and may vary. Your college student ID, if you were provided one, is an optional item that will be used to match your application with your official student record if you enroll at a college.

104. What college do you plan to attend for 2025-26? (response optional) _____

105. Where do you plan to live when you attend college? (response required) On-campus Off-campus With parents or relative

106. What is your college student ID#, if you were provided one? (response optional) _____

SECTION 6: SIGNATURE

I confirm that the information provided on this TASFA is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. If eligible, I will use any student financial aid provided as a result of my submission to pay only the cost of attending a Texas institution of higher education. I understand that any false statements may void my eligibility for state (or institutional) financial aid. By signing this application, I also acknowledge and consent to the following:

- I understand that the information provided on this application will be used only for evaluation of eligibility for state (or institutional) financial aid and that I may need to provide additional information or documentation to the college or university to determine eligibility.
- Once my application has been submitted, I must contact the college or university directly to discuss next steps to update or correct information on my submitted TASFA.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

*One parent signature is required if all questions in **SECTION 2** (question 44-56) were answered **“NO.”***

Mark which parent signed above. Parent 1 Parent 2

Submitting the TASFA: Your completed application should be sent directly to the institution that you plan to attend for the 2025-26 school year. Contact the institution’s financial aid office for additional instructions (see notes page).