

Understanding the FAFSA

Name: _____ Date: _____

Use this form to follow along and take notes while watching two short videos.

Applying for Financial Aid with the FAFSA Form

1. Federal student aid can include _____, work-study funds, and student loans.
2. True or False: There is an online estimator to help you learn how much aid you might qualify for.
3. How early should you complete your FAFSA form? _____
4. There are three FAFSA deadlines: one set by your _____, one set by the state, and the federal deadline.
5. If you're unsure which form to use, you can reach out to the _____ office at your school.
6. True or False: You only need to submit a FAFSA form for your first year of school.

What Happens After Your FAFSA Form Is Processed?

1. It takes _____ to _____ days to process your FAFSA form after you submit it.
2. True or False: You will receive an email when your FAFSA Submission Summary is ready.
3. True or False: You can use the information in your FAFSA Summary to compare the schools you're interested in.
4. One of the most important tabs in your FAFSA Summary is the _____ tab.
5. True or False: You can't make corrections to your FAFSA form after you submit it.

Supports and Resources for My FAFSA

Support or Resource	Yes	No	Details
I have a personal email account.			Email address:
I know an adult who can help me complete my FAFSA.			Name(s):
I use a planner or calendar.			Type of planner:

Next Steps: If you answered "no" to any of the questions in the table, make a plan to obtain these resources and supports before starting your FAFSA.