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| **WHICH APPLICATION DO I COMPLETE?**  **MAKE SURE YOU COMPLETE THE 2017-2018 APPLICATION** | |
| **FAFSA**  **FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID**  If you are a citizen or permanent resident. Or if you are a refugee or here under asylum. *You must have a SSN or an Alien Registration number*. | **CADAA**  **CA DREAM ACT APPLICATION**  If you do not have a SSN and you are an AB 540 eligible student…undocumented or DACA with at *least 3 years in a California school*. This includes students who have a SSN through DACA. |
| [**www.fafsa.ed.gov**](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) | [**https://dream.csac.ca.gov/**](https://dream.csac.ca.gov/) |
| **WHAT SHOULD YOU HAVE WITH YOU?** | |
| * Parent and student need: * FSA ID * 2015 taxes (if you have them) * Social Security **or** Alien Registration Number * Bank and investment information (if applicable) | * Parent and student need: * 2015 taxes (if you have them) * Student DACA number (if you have one) * Student CA State ID number (on your transcript or in Aeries account) * Bank and investment information (if applicable) |
| **MAKE SURE YOU COMPLETE THE 2017-2018 APPLICATION** | |
| FAFSA: Log in using the student FSA ID. See handout if you have not created one.  Then Start New Application. | CADAA: NO FSA ID needed. Log in and ‘Start New Application’ |
| FAFSA: If parent does not have SSN enter 000-00-0000. DO NOT enter parents ITIN (starts with a 9) | CADAA: You can enter parents ITIN if they have one, or enter 000-00-0000. |
| IMPORTANT TIPS FOR BOTH FAFSA AND CADAA:   * Get your name, DOB, SSN correct—be careful. Name must match SSN on FAFSA. * Do no click the back button at the top of the page—use next and previous at bottom of page. * Pay attention to whose information you are entering—student or parent? Application will clearly state ‘student’ or ‘parent’ information. * Only enter financial information for biological or step parent or adopted parent—no one else, not grandparents, aunts, siblings, or even legal guardians. * If parents are divorced, provide financial info for parent you live with most (it does not matter who claims you on taxes.) * If you are male and 18 years old, you must register for Selective Service. * When you enter your high school, just enter the city and state, then click ‘SELECT’ * Enter your potential colleges in any order—show a California college first if you plan to go to one. * FAFSA ONLY: Use the Data Retrieval Tool when possible (must have SSN)! It is helpful to have the Federal Tax Form Available for this just to make sure your name and address are matching to help retrieve information. (Note: no DRT if parents file married and separately). | |
| FAFSA: SIGN AND SUBMIT USING FSA ID FOR PARENT AND STUDENT. PARENTS WITHOUT SSN MUST MAIL IN A SIGNATURE PAGE. | CADAA: SIGN FOR STUDENT BY CLICKING THE BOX. SIGN FOR PARENT BY CREATING PIN (YOU WILL NEED TO REMEMBER PARENT INCOME AMOUNT YOU ENTERED IN APPLICATION TO DO THIS). STUDENT DREAM ID WILL BE GENERATED. |