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## What You'll Need to Apply for Financial Aid – A Checklist

Gather the following items, as applicable to you, before starting your financial aid application to help streamline the process:

- Your Social Security Number\*
- Your A-Number (*if you are an eligible non-citizen*)
- Federal income tax returns from the applicable tax year (*for example, your 2023 tax returns for a 2025-2026 financial aid application*)
- W-2 forms and/or 1099s
- Records of untaxed income
- Bank statements
- Any investment records (*such as stocks, bonds investment funds, income-generating property*)

\*Necessary for the FAFSA but not required for NJ Dreamers completing the New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application

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