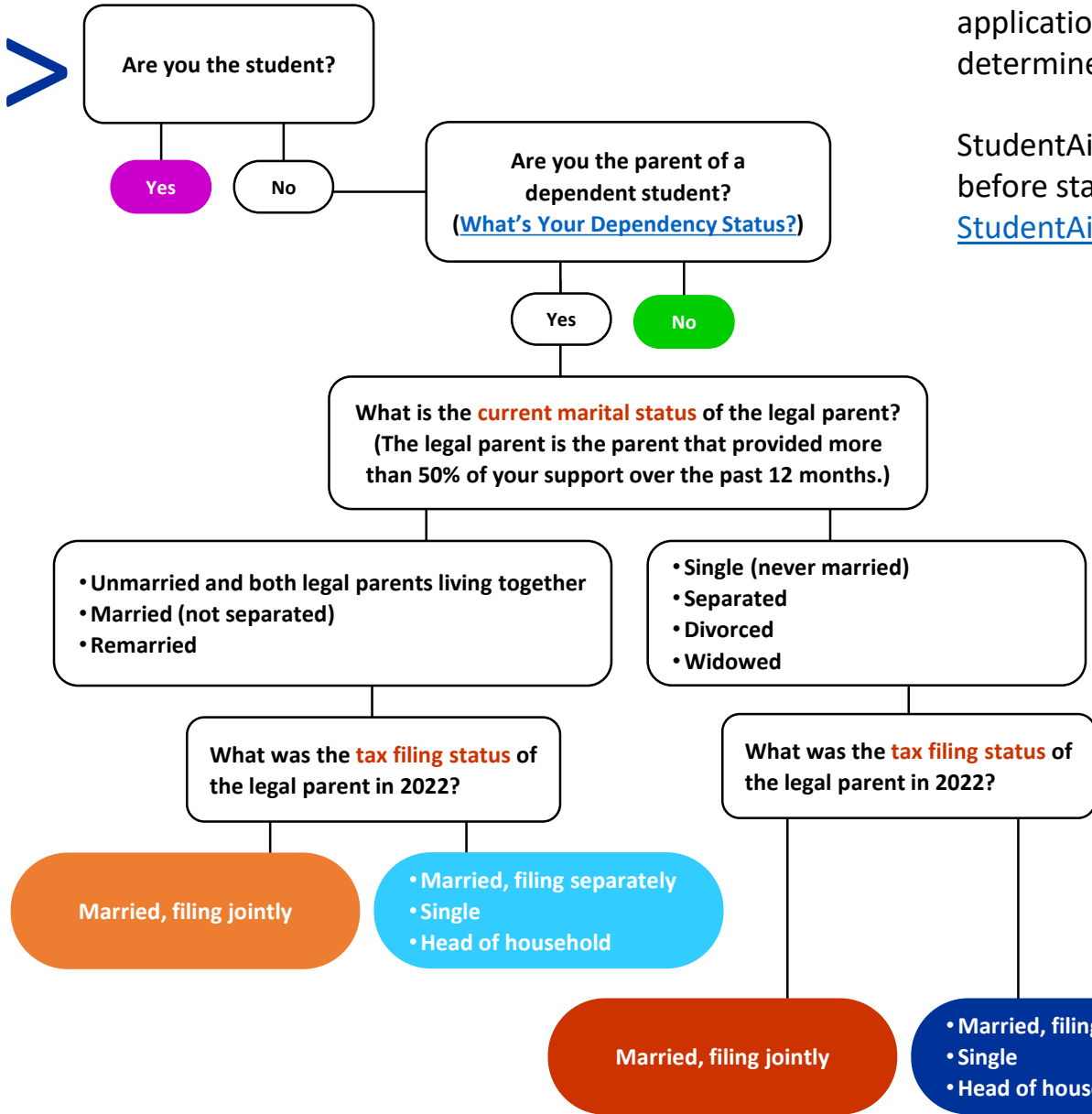


Who needs a StudentAid.gov Account?

For Dependent Students | 2024 – 2025 FAFSA



StudentAid.gov accounts are required for students and parents to access and electronically sign the FAFSA. The FAFSA will determine who needs an account as you advance through the application, but this document is intended to help you determine who needs to create an account ahead of time.

StudentAid.gov accounts should be created at least 3-5 days before starting the FAFSA. You can create one today by visiting StudentAid.gov and clicking **Create Account**.

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- Every student needs a StudentAid.gov account!**
- Only the legal parent(s) of a dependent student (and their spouse in some cases) will need a StudentAid.gov account. Legal guardians will not be contributors to the FAFSA. If a student is determined to be independent for FAFSA purposes, no parents will need a StudentAid.gov account.**
- Only one parent will need a StudentAid.gov account to consent to the transfer of 2022 IRS information.**
- Both parents will need StudentAid.gov accounts to consent to the transfer of 2022 IRS information.**
- If currently separated, divorced, or widowed, but 2022 taxes were filed jointly, one parent will need a StudentAid.gov account to consent to the transfer of 2022 IRS information. The student should contact the financial aid office to request an income adjustment.**
- Only the legal parent will need a StudentAid.gov account to consent to the transfer of 2022 IRS information.**

Use UCanGo2's StudentAid.gov Worksheet to keep a record of your account username and password. It's available in English and Spanish at UCanGo2.org. Click **Publications & Tools** to access the worksheet.

