The goal of this topic is to provide an overview of the terminology and components that this module explains in more detail.

**Federation Server** – Primary component; Issues manages and validates request involving claims, Require at least 1

* **WAP/Federation server proxy** – Deployed in perimeter network, provides a layer of security, Optional
* **Claims** – Statement made by trusted entity about an object, can include name, job title, or other attribute
* **Claims rules** – Determine how Federation server processes claims
* **Attribute store** – Used for claims values lookups, AD DS is default (Federation server must be joined to the domain)
* **Claims provider** – Server that issues signed tokens containing claims and authenticates users
* **Relying parties** – Organization where the application or service is located
* **Claims provider trust** – Contains configuration data defining rules used when client requests claims
* **Relying party trust** – Contains AD FS configuration data used to provide claims to a relying party
* **Certificates –** Used during SSL communication or in token-issuing process

**Endpoints** – Based on Windows Communication Foundation used to enable access to AD FS