

# 1) Create an account

## Have the following information ready for enrollment

What you need to complete enrollment

### Information about you

Address, birth date, Social Security number or Tax ID number\*

### Information about your beneficiary

Birth date, Social Security number\*

### Bank Information

The account number for your account, routing number for your bank (if you're going to have contributions taken from a checking or savings account)

### Prepare your investment strategy

To learn more, see the [Disclosure Booklet and Tuition Savings Agreement](#).

\*We are required by federal law to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. If you don't provide the requested information, we may not be able to open your account. If we are unable to verify your identity, the Plan reserves the right to close your account or take other steps we deem reasonable.

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## Start Saving Today

If you are enrolling for yourself or on behalf of a future student, enter your information to get started.

Already started enrolling? [Continue Enrollment](#)

**First Name**

John

**MI**

**Last Name**

Smith

**Phone Number**

XXX-XXX-XXXX

**Email Address**

john.smith@email.com

**Password**

**Confirm Password**

**Get Started**

Opening UGMA/UTMA account? [Download Form](#)

¿Quiere empezar a invertir en el New York's 529 College Savings Program *Direct Plan*? Descargue [aquí](#) un formulario de inscripción en español.

## 2) Fill out basic information

[Your Information](#) > [Beneficiary Information](#) > [Investments](#) > [Funding Method](#) > [Finishing Touches](#)

### tell us more about yourself


**Permanent Street Address (No P.O. Box)**


**City**

**State**  ▼

**Zip Code**

☒ **Mailing Address is the same as Permanent Address**

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### 3) Fill out basic information


[Your Information](#) > [Beneficiary Information](#) > [Investments](#) > [Funding Method](#) > [Finishing Touches](#)


**Social Security/Tax Identification**


XXX-XX-XXXX

Why is this information needed? 


**Birth Date**


Month 


Day 


Year 

**Citizenship**

(please select) 

 This information is secure

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## 4) Check the box “I am the beneficiary of this account”

Your Information > Beneficiary Information > Investments > Funding Method > Finishing Touches

Tell us about the beneficiary ( student ) for whom you are saving

☐ I am the beneficiary of this account

First Name

MI

Last Name

☒ Mailing Address is the same as the account owner

Social Security/Tax Identification

Birth Date

Month



Day



Year



Citizenship

(please select)




## 5) Add a successor or select "Skip This Section"

*Adding a successor is not necessary to unlock your 529 benefits*

[Your Information](#) > [Beneficiary Information](#) > [Investments](#) > [Funding Method](#) > [Finishing Touches](#)


### Add a successor


The successor takes over management of the account for the beneficiary, in the event of the account owners death.


Why is this information important? 

Phone Number

Birth Date

Month 

Day 

Year 

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## 6) Select “Custom Portfolio”

### Choose an investment strategy

#### Target Enrollment Portfolios

Investment Based on Enrollment Date

#### Custom Portfolio

Select your own mix of investments

**Note:** Account owners are permitted to change the investment selections up to two times per calendar year. The Investment Options we offer through the Direct Plan have been designed to help you save for post-secondary higher education expenses.

### Custom Portfolio (Choose Investment Mix)

You may choose up to five Investment Options and you must allocate a minimum of 5% to each Investment Option you choose. Expand the desired portfolio types to view options and click on ⓘ for information about each investment.

**Target Enrollment Portfolios** (Investments Based On Enrollment Date)



**Individual Portfolio** (Investments Fixed Over Time)



Total: 0%

## 7) Open “Individual Portfolio” and scroll down

Enter 100% for “Interest Accumulation Portfolio”

Conservative Income Portfolio ⓘ

%

International Bond Market Index Portfolio ⓘ


%

Short Term Bond Market Index Portfolio ⓘ

%

Interest Accumulation Portfolio ⓘ

100



Interest Accumulation Portfolio

Total: 100%

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Bank Account

One-time or recurring

✓

Payroll Direct Deposit

Deductions from paycheck

Check

Mail in a paper check

Rollover

From an existing Qualified Tuition Program

Bank Account

You can setup a recurring contribution so funds are withdrawn on a regular basis or do a one-time contribution.

Initial Contribution Amount:

Maximum \$190,000 one-time EBT contribution

☐ Make contribution recurring (Automatic Funding)

Enter bank information

Routing Number:

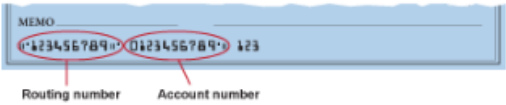
Bank Name:

Account Number:

Retype Account Number:

Account Type

(please select) ▼



8) For funding, select “Bank Account” and choose \$1 or you can put how much you’ll spend on rent this year



## 9) Add another beneficiary or select “No, Let’s Finish Up”

*Adding another beneficiary is not necessary to unlock your 529 benefits*

Would you like to add another beneficiary now?

Yes, Add Another Beneficiary

No, Let's Finish Up

Adding another beneficiary will open an additional 529 savings account under your profile allowing individual management of each account.

## Let's add more security to your account

Add Account Username

Username

e.g. collegesaver1234

☐ Trust this device

By trusting this device you will not have to enter additional security information when accessing your account for 6 months. It is not recommended to trust public devices.

Select your security questions

Question 1

(please select)

Security Answer 1

Question 2

(please select)

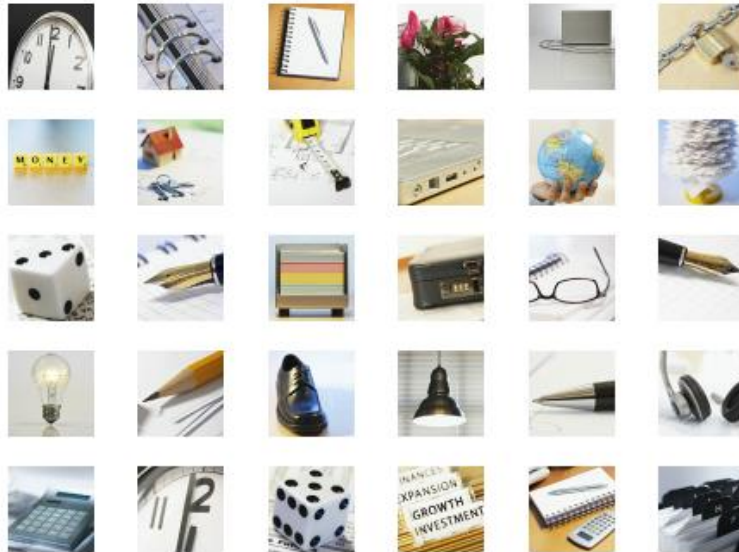
Security Answer 2

Question 3

(please select)

Security Answer 3

Choose Security Image and Phrase



Security Phrase

Tip: Only provide your login credentials if the security image and phrase you have provided are present on the login page.

# 10) Enter account login and security information

# 11) Continue past the Ugift page

*Adding Ugift is not necessary  
to unlock your 529 benefits*



☐ **Activate your Ugift Code**

Sharing a Ugift code allows friends and family to gift money to your 529 Account.

[Learn more about Ugift](#)

## 12) Select email delivery (unless you want mailed statements)

How would you like to receive communications from us?

Transaction & Profile Confirmations

Email



Tax Forms

Email



Quarterly Statements and Program Description Updates

Email



**Note:** Requisite tax forms intended for the beneficiary will be mailed to the beneficiary's address on record regardless of the delivery option selected above.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

The terms below apply to your election to receive electronically one or more of the following types/categories of documents related to your 529 account(s): tax reporting forms, account statements and New York's 529 College Savings Program *Direct Plan* (NY's *Direct Plan*) Disclosure Booklet updates, and transaction confirmations. If you don't elect electronic delivery, we will send you paper documents.

☒ I agree to receive documents related to my 529 account(s) by the delivery methods as set forth above. If I have chosen to receive documents electronically, I acknowledge that I have carefully read the terms and information regarding electronic delivery and I consent and agree to receive documents electronically as set forth above.

## 13) Make sure everything is entered correctly and then sign to open an account

### Terms & Conditions

#### Consent to Electronic Delivery of Initial Disclosure Documents

To open one or more accounts in New York's 529 College Savings Program *Direct Plan* (NY's *Direct Plan*) using an e-signature, you must consent (by clicking "**sign**" below) to receive the initial disclosure documents electronically. If you do not click "**sign**", you may not open your account(s) using an e-signature. You consent and agree:

To receive the following documents electronically and acknowledge having reviewed, printed, or otherwise received them:

- [Disclosure Booklet and Tuition Savings Agreement](#)
- [Privacy Policy](#)

☒ I acknowledge that I have carefully read and consent and agree to the terms set forth in the NY's *Direct Plan* [Disclosure Booklet and Tuition Savings Agreement](#).

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