

Trump Accounts

Should You Open One?

The recently introduced Trump Account offers families another way to save for a child's future. While the account has received significant attention, we believe the decision to use one depends largely on the child's age and overall financial plan.

Our Recommendation

For most families, **Trump Accounts make the most sense for children born between January 1, 2025, and December 31, 2028**, who qualify for the federal government's **\$1,000 pilot contribution**.

For these children, we generally recommend opening the account. It's difficult to argue against accepting a free \$1,000 that can compound over many years.

For older children who do **not** qualify for the government contribution, we believe families should carefully consider whether a Trump Account is the best place for additional savings. While the account provides tax-deferred growth, future distributions are generally subject to ordinary income tax treatment. In many cases, a traditional taxable brokerage account—which benefits from preferential long-term capital gains tax rates—may compare favorably, particularly after other tax-advantaged opportunities have been fully utilized.

Our general priority for long-term savings is:

Employer retirement plans

Health Savings Accounts
(when eligible)

529 education savings plans

Roth IRAs for children
with earned income

Taxable brokerage
accounts

Trump Accounts for additional
savings or when the government
contribution is available

Every family's situation is different, but we do not believe Trump Accounts should automatically become the default savings vehicle for every child.

Implementation Guide

Opening & Maximizing a Trump Account

Step 1: Complete Form 4547

Complete Form 4547 through the IRS to establish the account.

You will need your child's:

- ☐ Full legal name
- ☐ Date of birth
- ☐ Social Security Number
- ☐ Current address

If your child was born between **January 1, 2025, and December 31, 2028**, be sure to elect participation in the pilot program to receive the government's **\$1,000 contribution**.

Step 2: Activate the Account

After your application has been processed, you'll receive instructions to activate the account.

Children may only have one Trump Account. The account may later be transferred to an eligible financial institution that offers Trump Accounts.

Step 3: Contribute Consistently

The government's \$1,000 contribution is only the beginning. The greatest long-term benefit comes from regular contributions over many years.

Consider:

Automatic monthly contributions

Birthday or holiday gifts

Grandparent contributions

Even relatively modest annual contributions can grow substantially through long-term compounding.

Step 4: Invest for Long-Term Growth

Trump Accounts are intended to be long-term investment accounts.

For most families, we recommend:

Broad U.S. stock
market index funds

Low-cost investment
options

Remaining invested
through market
volatility

Avoiding attempts to
time the market

Time in the market is generally more valuable than trying to predict market movements.

How Beyond Wealth Partners Can Help

We help families:

Determine whether a Trump Account fits their overall financial plan

Evaluate eligibility for the government's \$1,000 contribution

Coordinate Trump Accounts alongside 529 plans, Roth IRAs, and taxable investment accounts

Develop tax-efficient savings strategies for children and grandchildren

Build long-term wealth transfer plans across generations

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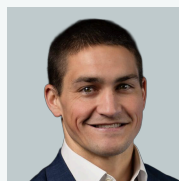
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