Your 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called verification. The law says that before awarding Federal Student Aid, we may ask you to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, we will compare your FAFSA with the information on this institutional verification document and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need correcting. You and a parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must complete and sign this institutional verification document, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to us. We may request additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact us as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

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Student’s Last Name First Name M.I. Student’s Identification (ID) Number

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Student’s Street Address (include apt. no.), City, State, Zip Code Student’s Phone Number

**Parent information is required on this form ONLY if the student was required to provide parental information on the FAFSA.**

**Family Size: Includes the following:** Check the appropriate box and provide the requested information

**Dependent Student:**

* The student.
* The student’s parents, even if the student is not living with them. Exclude a parent who has died or is not living in the household because of separation or divorce. Include a parent who is on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces apart from the family.
* The student’s siblings if the following are true:
* They live with the student’s parents (or live apart because of college enrollment),
* They receive more than half of their support from the student’s parents, and
* They will continue to receive more than half their support from the student’s parents during the award year.
* Other persons if the following are true:
* They live with the student’s parents,
* They receive more than half of their support from the student’s parents, and
* They will continue to receive more than half their support from the student’s parents during the award year.

**Independent Student:**

* The student.
* The student’s spouse, if applicable
* The student’s dependent children if the following are true:
* They live with the student (or live apart because of college enrollment)
* They receive more than half of their support from the student; and
* They will continue to receive more than half their support from the student during the award year.
* Other persons if the following are true:
* They live with the student
* They receive more than half their support from the student; and
* They will continue to receive more than half their support from the student during the award year.

The provided criteria for “dependent children” or “other persons” align with the requirement that family size align with whom the parent or student could claim as a dependent on a U.S. tax return if the student were to file a U.S tax return at the time of completing the 2025-2026 FAFSA. As a result, the student should not include any unborn children in the family size.

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| **Full Name** | **Age** | **Relationship** |  |
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**Please check the box(es) below that describes the tax filing status on the FAFSA for the student, spouse (if applicable), and each parent(s) (if applicable).**

**Ex: If student is independent and single, check one box for student. If student is married, check one box for student and one box for spouse. If student is dependent, check one box for student and one or two boxes for parent(s), depending on their marital status**

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|  | **Student** | **Spouse** | **Parent 1** | **Parent 2** |
| With my consent and approval; my 2023 federal tax information (FTI) was transferred to my FAFSA via Future Act Direct Data Exchange (FA-DDX) |  |  |  |  |
| I was unable to use the FA-DDX and manually entered my income and tax data. I will submit a signed copy of my 2023 tax return form 1040  and schedules 1 and 3 if applicable. (Due to current marital status). |  |  |  |  |
| I worked in 2023 but did not (and was not required to) file a 2023 tax return. If checked; (Please complete the chart below). |  |  |  |  |

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| I was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2023. |  |  |  |  |

**If you worked in 2023, but did not file taxes:**

List every employer, even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form. Provide copies of all 2023 IRS W-2 forms issued. If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student’s name and ID number at the top.

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| **Employee’s Name** | **Employer’s Name** | **Annual Amount Earned in 2023** | **IRS W-2 or Equivalent Document Provided?** |
| *Student/Spouse or Parent’s Name* | *(Example) Suzy’s Auto Body Shop* | *$4,500.00* | *Yes* |
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* An equivalent document to a W-2 form is any document that shows the amount of income earned from work and the amount of taxes withheld, such as a pay stub or an earnings statement. If you are self-employed, you may need to provide a signed statement certifying the amount of your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) and the U.S. [income tax paid for the applicable tax year](https://fsapartners.ed.gov/knowledge-center/library/electronic-announcements/2020-07-09/reminder-alternative-acceptable-documentation-complete-irs-verification-non-filing-vnf-and-form-w-2-increase-professional-judgments-due-covid-19).
* If your employer paid you in cash, you still need to report the income.

\*\*\* An IRS Verification of Non-filing Letter or other confirmation of non-filing is only required when verifying income earned from work for a nontax filer who would file a tax return with a tax authority **other** than the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

\_\_\_\_ Check here if a non-filing letter is provided.

\_\_\_\_ Check here if a non-filing letter will be provided later.

**Certification and Signature**

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and accurate. The student and one parent (if applicable) must sign and date. I give the CCCUA Financial Aid Office authorization to make necessary corrections.

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Student’s Signature Date

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Parent’s Signature Date