



2026 -2027 Independent Student Verification Worksheet

Student Information

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Student ID
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Family Size

Please list below the following:

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

The provided criteria for “dependent children” or “other persons” align with the requirement that family size align with whom the 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 2026-2027 FAFSA. As a result, the student should not include any unborn children in the family size.

If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student's name and ID number at the top.

Full Name	Age	Relationship to Student
John Q Student (example)	18	brother
		Self

[Type here]

2024 Student Income Information

Please check the appropriate box below and attach the required documentation. The student (and spouse, if appropriate):

- FILED** a 2024 federal tax return
- DID NOT FILE, WAS NOT employed** and had no income earned from work in 2024.
- DID NOT FILE BUT WAS employed** in 2024. The student certifies by signing this form that they **WERE NOT required** to file a federal tax return.

If the student (and/or spouse) was employed in 2024 and did not file a tax return, list below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2024, and whether an IRS W-2 form is provided. [Provide copies of all 2024 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student and spouse by their employers]. List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form.

*Only complete this section if you **DID NOT FILE** a 2024 federal tax return!*

Employer's Name	IRS W-2 Provided?	Amount Earned in 2024
(Example) ABC's Auto Body Shop	Yes	\$4,500.00
Total Amount of Income Earned From Work in 2024		\$

**If you were a victim of IRS tax-related identity theft, granted an extension for 2024, or filed an amended tax return, please contact the office for further instructions. If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student's name and ID number at the top.*

Certification and Signatures

By signing this worksheet, you certify that the information reported on it is complete and correct.

Student Signature

Date