

Independent Tax Filers Verification (V1)

Your 2022–2023 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 to be corrected. You and a parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must complete and sign this institutional verification documents, and submit the form and other required documents to us. We may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact us as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

Important Note: The instructions below apply to the student and spouse, if the student is married. Notify the financial aid office if the student or spouse filed separate IRS income tax returns for 2020 or had a change in marital status after the end of the 2020 tax year on December 31, 2020.

Tax Information: Complete this section if the student and spouse <u>filed or will file</u> a 2020 IRS income tax return(s). *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at <u>FAFSA.gov</u>. In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2020 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed.*

Check the box that applies:

The student <u>has used</u> the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2020 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.

The student <u>has not yet used</u> the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, but will use the tool to transfer 2020 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA once the 2020 IRS income tax return has been filed. The verification process will not be able to be completed until the financial aid office receives the updated FAFSA.

The student is <u>unable or chooses not to use</u> the IRS DRT in FAFSA on the Web, and instead will provide the school a 2020 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s). The verification process will not be able to be completed until the financial aid office receives the tax transcript.

To obtain a **2020 IRS Tax Return Transcript**, go to <u>www.IRS.gov</u> and click on the "Order a Return or Account Transcript" link. Make sure to request the "IRS Tax Return Transcript" and <u>not</u> the "IRS Tax Account Transcript." Use the Social Security Number (or the IRS individual taxpayer identification number) and the date of birth of the first person listed on the 2020 IRS income tax return, and the address on file with the IRS (normally this will be the address used on the 2020 IRS income tax return).

If the student and spouse filed separate 2020 IRS income tax returns, **2020 IRS Tax Return Transcripts** must be provided for both individuals.

Number of Household Members and Number in College: List below the people in the <u>student's household</u>. Include:

- The student.
- The student's **spouse**, if the student is married.
- The student's or spouse's **children** if the student or spouse will provide more than half of the children's support from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, even if the children do not live with the student.
- Other people if they now live with the student and the student or spouse provides more than half of the other people's support and will continue to provide more than half of their support through June 30, 2023.

Include the name of the college that any household member will be enrolled <u>at least half time</u> in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at any time between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023.

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

Full Name	Age	Relationship	College	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time (Yes or No)
		Self		

Certification and Signature

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both. Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct.

Print Student's Name

Student's ID Number

Student's Signature (Required)

Date