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Verification Worksheet for Dependent Students 2025-2026

Your 2025-26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called [verification](#). Federal law states that before disbursing Federal Student Aid, we are required to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA. We will compare your FAFSA with the information on this verification worksheet along with any other required documentation. If there are differences, your FAFSA may need to be corrected. You and the parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must complete and sign this verification worksheet and submit all materials to Student Financial Services.

Complete all sections of this form. Please pay careful attention to the instructions provided in each section. Once complete, submit this form to Student Financial Services as soon as possible, so that disbursement of your financial aid will not be delayed.

Student Name: _____ Wheaton ID: _____

Provide the following in the chart:

- Your parent(s) (including step-parent) – the same parent(s) that completed your 2025-26 FAFSA
- Your parent(s)' other dependent children if they currently live with your parent(s), your parent(s) provide more than half of their support, and your parent(s) will continue to provide this level of support between July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026
- Other people if they currently live with your parent(s), your parent(s) provide more than half of their support, and your parent(s) will continue to provide this level of support between July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

Full Name	Age	Relationship to student	Attending college in 2025-2026? (yes/no)	Enrolled at least ½ time? (yes/no)
		Parent/Stepparent/Spouse	-----	-----
		Parent/Parent's Spouse	-----	-----
		Sibling		
		Sibling		
		Sibling		

SIGNATURES

Each person below certifies that all information reported on this form is complete and correct. The student and at least one parent whose information is reported on this form must sign and date below. A typed signature is not valid.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: You and at least one parent or guardian are required to sign this form in order for it to be official.

Please submit completed form by mail, email, or fax to the location in the top right corner of this page.

Use this page to determine which of your parent(s) should be reported on your FAFSA.

Is My Parent a Contributor When I Fill Out My FAFSA® Form?

<https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out/parent-info>

A parent means your legal (biological or adoptive) parent or a person that the state has determined to be your legal parent. A stepparent is considered a parent if they have adopted you. Stepparents who have not adopted you will be identified as a parent spouse.

[Question 1] Are your biological or adoptive parents married to each other?

[Yes] Your parents' marital status is married (not separated), and both of your parents' information must be included on the FAFSA® form. If your parents did not file taxes jointly, then both of your parents are contributors. Their individual information, consent and approval, and signatures will be required on the FAFSA form. If your parents filed taxes jointly, only one parent is required as a contributor and will report information for both parents.

[No, then answer question 2]

[Question 2] Do your biological or adoptive parents live together?

[Yes] Your parents' marital status is unmarried (both legal parents living together), and both of your parents are contributors, even if they were never married, are divorced, or are separated. Their individual information, consent and approval, and signatures will be required on the FAFSA form.

[No, then answer question 3]

[Question 3] Did one parent provide more financial support than the other over the past 12 months?

[Yes] The individual information, consent and approval, and signature of the parent who provided more financial support over the past 12 months will be required on the FAFSA form, and this parent will be identified as a contributor.

[No] The individual information, consent and approval, and signature of the parent who has the greater income and assets will be required on the FAFSA form, and this parent will be identified as a contributor.

[Question 4] Has this parent married/remarried?

[Yes] Your parent's marital status is married/remarried. Your stepparent will also be identified as a contributor on the FAFSA form if they didn't file their taxes jointly with your parent.

[No] Your parent's marital status is single (never married), separated, divorced, or widowed. An additional parent will not be identified as a contributor.

Note: Dependent students are required to report parent information on the FAFSA form, and in most cases, a parent will be identified as a contributor for these students. All contributors are required to provide their information, signature, and consent and approval to have their federal tax information transferred directly from the IRS into the FAFSA form. Being a contributor on the FAFSA form does not mean an obligation to pay for the student's education.