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2026–2027 Verification Worksheet

Your 2026–2027 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, and your parents, if a dependent student, reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information the financial aid administrator will compare your FAFSA with the information on this worksheet and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. You, and at least one parent if you are a dependent student, must complete and sign this worksheet, attach any required documents, and submit the form and required documents to the Office of Financial Aid. We may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact the Office of Financial Aid as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

STUDENT'S INFORMATION

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Student's Last Name ***Student's First Name*** ***Student's M.I.*** ***Student's ID Number***

_____ _____

Student's Street Address *(include apt. no.)* ***Student's Date of Birth***

_____ _____

City ***State*** ***Zip Code*** ***Student's Email Address***

_____ _____

Student's Home Phone Number *(include area code)* ***Student's Cell Phone Number***

FAMILY SIZE

❒ **INDEPENDENT Students** ***(parent information not required on FAFSA)****:* List the people in **your family**.
Include yourself, your spouse if applicable, and your children **if** they live with you (or live apart because of college enrollment) and you will provide more than half of their support and will continue to provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Include other people **only** if they now live with you and you provide more than half of their support and will continue to provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

❒ **DEPENDENT Students (parent information required on FAFSA)**: List the people in your **parents' family.**
Include yourself, your parent/stepparent (even if you don't live with them), and your parent/stepparent's children who live with them (or live apart because of college enrollment) and receive more than half of their support and will continue to receive more than half of their support from your parent/stepparent from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Include other people who now live with your parent/stepparent **if** they receive more than half of their support and will continue to receive more than half of their support from your parent/stepparent from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

*List **all family members** below.*

Full Name	Age	Relationship
		Self

STUDENT'S 2024 INCOME INFORMATION

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 2024 or had a change in marital status after December 31, 2024.

1. Check the applicable box below.

❒ The student has given consent and approved sharing and importing income and tax information from the IRS to the FAFSA form via the FUTURE Act Direct Data Exchange (FA-DDX) even if the attempt to obtain or use such data is ineffective.

❒ The student's spouse (if the student is married) has given consent and approved sharing and importing income and tax information from the IRS to the FAFSA form via the FUTURE Act Direct Data Exchange (FA-DDX) even if the attempt to obtain or use such data is ineffective.

❒ The student's and/or spouse's (if student is married) 2024 income tax return information was not available through the FA-DDX or could not be used. The **2024 Tax Return Transcript** obtained from the IRS or other relevant tax authority of a U.S. territory, commonwealth or foreign government **or a signed copy of the 2024 income tax return and applicable schedules** filed with the IRS or other relevant tax authority of a U.S. territory, commonwealth or foreign government must be provided. A 2024 Tax Return Transcript can be obtained online at irs.gov/transcript or by calling 1-800-908-9946. Make sure to order the Tax Return Transcript and not the Tax Account Transcript.

❒ The student and spouse (if the student is married) will not file and are not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return or foreign return. (**See number 2 below.)**

2. If you and/or spouse (if student is married) **did not file** and are not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return or foreign return, list below the sources and amounts of earnings, other income and resources received in 2024. Report $0 if no income earned. Please submit copies of all W-2 forms or other earnings statements. ***NOTE: For Independent Students and spouses with foreign income, provide documentation of non-filing from the relevant tax authority in the foreign country dated on or after October 1, 2025.***

Employer's Name and/or Source of Income	2024 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Provided?
ABC's Auto Body Shop (example)	*$2,000.00*	*Yes*
Rental property (example)	*$4,500.00*	
Total Amount of Income in 2024	$	

PARENT(S)' 2024 INCOME INFORMATION

Important Note: The instructions below apply to each parent included in the family. Notify the financial aid office if the parents filed separate IRS income tax returns for 2024 or had a change in marital status after December 31, 2024.

1. Check the applicable box below.

❒ The parent(s) has given consent and approved sharing and importing income and tax information from the IRS to the FAFSA form via the FUTURE Act Direct Data Exchange (FA-DDX) even if the attempt to obtain or use such data is ineffective.

❒ The parent(s) 2024 income tax return information was not available through the FA-DDX or could not be used. The **2024 Tax Return Transcript** obtained from the IRS or other relevant tax authority of a U.S. territory, commonwealth or foreign government **or** a **signed copy of the 2024 income tax return and applicable schedules** filed with the IRS or other relevant tax authority of a U.S. territory, commonwealth or foreign government must be provided. A 2024 Tax Return Transcript can be obtained online at irs.gov/transcript or by calling 1-800-908-9946. Make sure to order the Tax Return Transcript and not the Tax Account Transcript.

❒ The parent(s) will not file and are not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return or foreign return. (**See number 2 below.)**

2. If your parent(s) did not file and are not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return or foreign return, list below your parent(s)' sources and amounts of earnings, other income and resources they received in 2024. Please submit copies of all W-2 forms or other earnings statements. ***NOTE: For parents with foreign income, provide documentation of non-filing from the relevant tax authority in the foreign country dated on or after October 1, 2025.***

Employer's Name and/or Source of Income	2024 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Provided?
ABC's Auto Body Shop (example)	*$2,000.00*	*Yes*
Rental property (example)	*$4,500.00*	
Total Amount of Income in 2024	$	

INDIVIDUALS WHO FILED A 2024 AMENDED IRS INCOME TAX RETURN

An individual who filed an amended IRS income tax return for tax year 2024 must provide:

- ❒ A **signed** copy of the **2024 IRS Form 1040X, "Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return,"** that was filed with the IRS or documentation from the IRS that include the changes made by the IRS; ***AND***
- ❒ A **2024 IRS Tax Return Transcript** (that will only include information from the original tax return and does not have to be signed)

OR

- ❒ A **2024 Record of Account Transcript**

OR

- ❒ A **signed** copy of the **2024 IRS Form 1040 and all applicable schedules** that were filed with the IRS.

INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE VICTIMS OF IRS TAX-RELATED IDENTITY THEFT

An individual who was the victim of IRS tax-related identity theft must provide:

- ❒ A **signed** copy of the **2024 income tax return with all applicable schedules** that were filed with the IRS, or an equivalent document provided by the IRS;
  AND
- ❒ An IRS 4674C letter (a letter from the IRS acknowledging the identity theft) **or** a statement signed and dated by the tax filer indicating that they were a victim of IRS tax-related identity theft, and that the IRS is aware of it.

INDIVIDUALS GRANTED A FILING EXTENSION BY THE IRS

An individual who is required to file a 2024 IRS income tax return and has been granted a filing extension by the IRS beyond the automatic six-month extension for tax year 2024 must provide:

- ❒ A **signed** statement listing the sources of any 2024 income and the amount of income from each source; ***AND***
- ❒ A copy of the IRS's approval of an extension beyond the automatic six-month extension for tax year 2024; ***AND***
- ❒ A copy of IRS Form W-2 for each source of employment income received or an equivalent document for tax year 2024; **AND**
- ❒ If self-employed, a **signed** statement certifying the amount of the individual's adjusted gross income (AGI), and the U.S. income tax paid for tax year 2024.

VERIFICATION OF IDENTITY

The student must present an ***unexpired*** valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to:

- Driver's license
- Other state-issued ID
- U.S. passport

Check the box that applies below:

- ☐ The student **appeared in person** and presented acceptable identification to an institutionally authorized individual. The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID.
- ☐ The student was unable to appear in-person and **appeared on a video call** with an institutionally authorized individual and presented the acceptable identification. A screenshot of the photo ID is taken, and the institution will maintain a copy that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID.
- ☐ The student was unable to appear in-person and provided the institution with a copy of the acceptable identification **presented to a notary** along with the original completed notary statement below. This must be returned in-person or postal mailed to:

Western New England University
Office of Financial Aid
1215 Wilbraham Road
Springfield MA 01119-2684

NOTARY'S CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

State of _____ City/County of _____

On_____, before me, _____,
(Date) *(Notary's name)*

personally appeared, _____, and proved to me
(Printed name of signer)

because of satisfactory evidence of identification _____
(Type of unexpired government-issued photo ID provided)

to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal _____
(seal) *(Notary signature)*

My commission expires on _____
(Date)

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURES

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all the information reported is complete and correct. If student is dependent, the parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must sign and date.

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.

_____ _____

Student's Signature ***Date***

_____ _____

Parent's Signature *(required if student is dependent)* ***Date***

_____ _____

Spouse's Signature *(optional if student is independent)* ***Date***

Return in person or by postal mail to:

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