



Changing What's Possible

2021-2022 Verification Worksheet

Independent Student – Tracking Group V4

Your 2021-2022 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 reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information the financial aid administrator at your school 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 must complete and sign this worksheet, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to the financial aid administrator at your school. Your school may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact your financial aid administrator as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

A. Independent Student's Information

First and Last Name: _____ PVID, or Last 4 SSN: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Phone Number: _____

B. High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents to indicate the student's high school completion status when the student begins college in 2021-2022.

Check the box of the document you will attach to this worksheet:

- ☐ A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- ☐ A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- ☐ A state certificate or transcript received by a student after the student passed a State--authorized examination that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State--authorized examination).
- ☐ For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of the "secondary school leaving certificate" or another similar document.

- ☐ An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree.
- ☐ For a homeschooled student in a state where state law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- ☐ For a homeschooled student from a state where state law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a transcript, or the equivalent, signed by the student's parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

A student who is unable to obtain the documentation listed above must contact the financial aid office. In some cases, your school's financial aid office may accept a copy of a Form DD 214 as proof of high school completion.

C. Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose

Section C is ONLY to be completed in person at the Institution or in front of a Notary.

Identity and Statement of Education Purpose (Signed in person at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at _____
(Name of Postsecondary Education Institution) to verify his or her identity by presenting an unexpired valid government--issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state--issued ID, or passport. 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.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the below Statement of Education Purpose.

If the student is unable to appear in person at _____ (Name of Postsecondary Education Institution)
to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:

- a) A copy of the unexpired valid government--issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, or that is presented to a notary, such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state--issued ID, or passport; and
- b) The original Statement of Educational Purpose provided below, which must be notarized. If the notary statement appears on a separate page than the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be a clear indication that the Statement of Educational Purpose was the document notarized.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of a notary, the below Statement of Educational Purpose.

The following Statement of Educational Purpose is to be completed only in the presence of designated school official or notary.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I, _____ (*Student's Name*), am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the Federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposed and to pay the cost of attending _____ (*Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution*) for 2021-2022.

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Financial Aid Office Signature: _____

Date: _____

Notary's Certificate of Knowledge

State of _____ City/County of _____ On _____ before me, _____ (*Notary's Name*)

personally appeared, _____ (*Printed name of signer*) and proved to me on basis of satisfactory evidence of identification _____ (*Type of government-issued photo ID provided*) to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Signature: _____

Date Commission Expires: _____

(Seal)

Return this original form with your proof of high school completion and proof of Identity to your school's financial aid office.

D. Certification and Signatures

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the information reported on it is complete and correct.

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

The student and one parent must sign and date.

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Spouse's Signature: _____

Date: _____