

2016–2017 Verification Worksheet

Independent Student

Your 2016–2017 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 document, attach any required 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.

A. Student's Information

Student's Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Student's Identification (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 Alternate or Cell Phone Number

B. High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents that indicate the student's high school completion status when the student will begin college in 2016–2017:

- 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 copy of the student's General Educational Development (GED) certificate or GED transcript.
- A copy of the student's DD214 showing that the student is a high school graduate.
- 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.
- If State law requires a homeschooled 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.
- If State law does not require a homeschooled 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 documents the successful completion of a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

If the student is unable to obtain the documentation listed above, he or she must contact the financial aid office.

Student's Name _____ Student's ID Number _____

**C. Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed With Notary)**

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

- (a) A copy of the valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, such as but not limited to a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport; and
- (b) The original notarized Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing this
(Print Student's Name)
Statement of Educational Purpose and that the federal student financial assistance
I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending
_____ for 2016-2017.
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

(Student's ID Number)

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____

City/County of _____

On _____, before me, _____,
(Date) (Notary's name)

personally appeared, _____, and provided to me

(Printed name of signer)

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

(seal)

(Notary signature)

My commission expires on _____

(Date)

Student's Name _____ Student's ID Number _____

D. Receipt of SNAP Benefits

The student certifies that a member of the student's household, received benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP (formerly known as the Food Stamp Program) sometime during 2014 or 2015. SNAP may be known by another name in some states. For assistance in determining the name used in a state, please call 1-800-4FED-AID (1-800-433-3243).

The student's household includes:

- 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 their support from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, 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 their support and will continue to provide more than half of their support through June 30, 2017.

Note: If we have reason to believe that the information regarding the receipt of SNAP benefits is inaccurate, we require documentation from the agency that issued the SNAP benefits in 2015 or 2016 or a copy of the SNAP card both front and back.

Student's Name _____ Student's ID Number _____

E. Child Support Paid

The student or spouse, who is a member of the student's household, paid child support in 2015. List below the names of the persons who paid the child support, the names of the persons to whom the child support was paid, the names of the children for whom the child support was paid, and the total annual amount of child support that was paid in 2015 for each child.

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

Name of Person Who Paid Child Support	Name of Person to Whom Child Support was Paid	Name of Child for Whom Support Was Paid	Amount of Child Support Paid in 2015

Note: If we have reason to believe that the information regarding child support paid is not accurate, we may require additional documentation, such as:

- A statement from the individual receiving the child support certifying the amount of child support received;
- Court documents; or
- Copies of the child support payment checks or money order receipts.

Certification and Signature

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct.

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

Print Student's Name

Student's ID Number

Student's Signature (Required)*

Date

Spouse's Signature (Optional)

Date

**In order to electronically sign this page, each individual's name must be typed and the last 4 digits of each Social Security Number must be included.*