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2025-2026 Dependent Verification Worksheet

Your 2025–2026 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 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. This information should be submitted 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 ID or Social Security Number	
Student's Street Address (include apt. no.)			Student's Home Phone or Cell Number	
City State Zip Code			Student's Date of Birth	

B. Number of Household Members and Number in College

List below the people in the student's household. Include:

- The student.
- The student's parents (or stepparent, if applicable), even if the student is not living with them. Exclude a parent who has died or is not living in the household because of separation or divorce. Include a parent who is on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces apart from the family.
 - The student's siblings if all of the following are true:
 - They live with the student's parents (or live apart because of college enrollment);
 - They receive more than half of their support from the student's parents; and
 - They will continue to receive more than half their support from the student's parents during the award year.
- Other persons if the following are true:
 - They live with the student's parents;
 - They receive more than half of their support from the student's parents; and
 - They will continue to receive more than half their support from the student's parents during the award year.

The provided criteria for "dependent children" or "other persons" mirror the requirement that family size align with those the parent could claim as a dependent on a U.S. tax return if the parent were to file a U.S tax return at the time of completing the 2025-2026 FAFSA. As a result, the parent should not include any unborn children in the family size.

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

INCLUDE THE NAME, AGE AND RELATIONSHIP TO ALL INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD!

Full Name	Age	Relationship
		Self

STUDENT TAX FILERS

C. Verification of 2023 IRS Income Tax Return Information for Student Tax Filers (COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF STUDENT FILED A 2023 IRS TAX RETURN)

Important Note: The instructions below apply to the student.

Instructions: Complete this section if the student filed or will file a 2023 IRS income tax return(s). As part of Federal student aid eligibility, students, and spouses (as appropriate), will be required to consent and approve sharing and importing income and tax information from the IRS to the FAFSA form, even if the attempt to obtain or use such data is ineffective. In other words, if the student and spouse filed separate 2023 IRS income tax returns, both must provide consent and approval to share and import income and tax information from the IRS. In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2023 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using income and tax information directly from the IRS via the FA-DDX.

If 2023 income tax return information for the student was not transferred via the FA-DDX and considered verified, the student should provide the institution with a **2023 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) or a signed copy of the 2023 income tax return and applicable schedules.**

A 2023 IRS Tax Return Transcript may be obtained through:

- <u>Get Transcript by Mail</u> Go to www.irs.gov, click "Get Your Tax Record." Click "Get Transcript by Mail." Make sure to request the "Return Transcript" and NOT the "Account Transcript." The transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS's receipt of the online request.
- <u>Get Transcript Online</u> Go to www.irs.gov, click "Get Your Tax Record." Click "Get Transcript Online." Make sure to request the "Return Transcript" and NOT the "Account Transcript." Follow the instructions to create an ID.me account if you do not already have one. If you need help creating an ID.me account or verifying your identity, visit the ID.me IRS Help Site.
- <u>Automated Telephone Request</u> 1-800-908-9946. Transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS's receipt of the telephone request.
- <u>Paper Request Form</u> IRS Form 4506T-EZ or IRS Form 4506-T. The transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS's receipt of the paper request form.

STUDENT NON-TAX FILERS

D. Verification of 2023 Income Information for Student Nontax Filers (Not required if completed section C)

The instructions and certifications below apply to the student. Complete this section if the student will not file and <u>is not required</u> to file a 2023 income tax return with the IRS.

Check the box that applies:

The student was not employed and had no income in 2023.

The student was employed in 2023 and has listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2023, and whether an IRS W-2 form or an equivalent document is provided. [Provide copies of all 2023 IRS W-2 forms issued to you and your spouse. List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form. If more space is needed, provide a separate page with your name and ID number at the top.] List every employer even if the employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form.

Employer's Name	IRS W-2 Provided?	Annual Amount Earned in 2023
(Example) ABC's Auto Body Shop	Yes	\$4,500.00
Total Amount of Income Earned From Work	\$	

PARENT TAX FILERS

E. Verification of 2023 IRS Income Tax Return Information for Parent Tax Filers (COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF THE PARENT FILED A 2023 IRS TAX RETURN)

Important Note: The instructions below apply to each parent (or stepparent, if applicable) included in the household. Notify the financial aid office if the parents filed separate IRS income tax returns for 2023 or had a change in marital status after December 31, 2023.

Instructions: Complete this section if the parents filed or will file a 2023 IRS income tax return(s). As part of Federal student aid eligibility, parents will be required to consent and approve sharing and importing income and tax information from the IRS to the FAFSA form, even if the attempt to obtain or use such data is ineffective. In other words, if the parents filed separate 2023 IRS income tax returns, both must provide consent and approval to share and import income and tax information from the IRS. In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify

2023 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using income and tax information directly from the IRS via the FA-DDX.

If 2023 income tax return information for the parents was not transferred via the FA-DDX and considered verified, the parents should provide the institution with a **2023 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) or a signed copy of the 2023 income tax return and applicable schedules.**

- <u>Get Transcript by Mail</u> Go to www.irs.gov, click "Get Your Tax Record." Click "Get Transcript by Mail." Make sure to request the "Return Transcript" and NOT the "Account Transcript." The transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS's receipt of the online request.
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- <u>Automated Telephone Request</u> 1-800-908-9946. Transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS's receipt of the telephone request.
- <u>Paper Request Form</u> IRS Form 4506T-EZ or IRS Form 4506-T. The transcript is generally received within 10 business days from the IRS's receipt of the paper request form.

PARENT NON-TAX FILERS

F. Verification of 2023 Income Information for Parent Nontax Filers (Not required if completed section E)

The instructions and certifications below apply to each parent (or stepparent, if applicable) included in the household. Complete this section if the parent(s) will not file and are not required to file a 2023 income tax return with the IRS.

By completing this document, I certify that neither parent has filed nor is required to file a 2023 income tax return, and all their income earned from work, other income, and resources for the 2023 tax year are listed below.

Check the box that applies:

I certify that neither parent was employed, and neither had income earned from work in 2023.

One or both of my parents were employed in 2023 and have listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2023, and whether an IRS W-2 form or an equivalent document is provided.

Provide copies of all 2023 IRS W-2 forms issued to your parents. List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form. If more space is needed, provide a separate page with your name and ID number at the top.

Employer's Name	IRS W-2 Provided?	Annual Amount Earned in 2023
(Example) ABC's Auto Body Shop	Yes	\$4,500.00
Total Amount of Income Earned From Wo	\$	

G. Certification and Signature

Each person signing below certifies that all of the verification documents submitted with this certification are complete and correct. The student and one 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, be sent to prison, or both.

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date

Southwest Mississippi Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, or disability in its programs, activities or employment practices. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries and grievances regarding the non-discrimination policies: Mrs. Rhonda Gibson, Director of Disability Support Services, 601-276-3885; Mr. Blake Brewer, Vice President for Student Affairs and Title IX Coordinator, 601-276-3717; SMCC, 1156 College Drive, Summit, MS 39666