2016-2017 V5 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 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 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

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<tr>
<th>Student’s Last Name</th>
<th>Student’s First Name</th>
<th>Student’s M.I.</th>
<th>Eastern Student ID Number</th>
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<tr>
<th>Student’s Street Address (include apt. no.)</th>
<th>Student’s Date of Birth</th>
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<th>City</th>
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<th>Zip Code</th>
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<th>Student’s Home Phone Number (include area code)</th>
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B. Independent Student’s Family Information

List below the people in your household. Include:

- Yourself.
- Your spouse, if you are married.
- Your children, if any, if you will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, or if the child would be required to provide your information if they were completing a FAFSA for 2016–2017. Include children who meet either of these standards, even if they do not live with you.
- Other people 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 through June 30, 2017.

Include the name of the college for any household member who will be enrolled at least half time in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at a postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2016, and June 30, 2017. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with your name and Social Security Number at the top.

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<th>Full Name</th>
<th>Age</th>
<th>Relationship</th>
<th>College</th>
<th>Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time</th>
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<td>Marty Jones(example)</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>Wife</td>
<td>Eastern Oklahoma State</td>
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<td>Self</td>
<td>Eastern Oklahoma State</td>
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C. Independent Student’s Income Information to Be Verified

1. TAX RETURN FILERS—Important Note: If the student filed, or will file, an amended 2015 IRS tax return, the student must contact the financial aid administrator before completing this section.

Instructions: Complete this section if the student, filed or will file a 2015 income tax return with the IRS. The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool that is part of FAFSA on the Web. If the student has not already used the tool, go to FAFSA.gov, log in to the student’s FAFSA record, select “Make FAFSA Corrections,” and navigate to the Financial Information section of the form. From there, follow the instructions to determine if the student is eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to transfer 2015 IRS income tax information into the student’s FAFSA. It takes up to two weeks for IRS income information to be available for the IRS Data Retrieval Tool for electronic IRS tax return filers, and up to eight weeks for paper IRS tax return filers. If you need more information about when, or how to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool see your financial aid administrator.

Check the box that applies:

☐ The student has used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web to retrieve and transfer 2015 IRS income information into the student’s FAFSA, either on the initial FAFSA or when making a correction to the FAFSA. The student’s school will use the IRS information that was transferred in the verification process.

☐ The student has not yet used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web, but will use the tool to retrieve and transfer 2015 IRS income information into the student’s FAFSA once the student has filed a 2015 IRS tax return. See instructions above for information on how to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool. The student’s school cannot complete the verification process until the IRS information has been transferred into the FAFSA.

☐ The student is unable or chooses not to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web, and the student will submit to the school a 2015 IRS tax return transcript—not a photocopy of the income tax return.

A 2015 IRS Tax Return Transcript may be obtained through the following:

- Online Request—Go to www.IRS.gov, under the Tools heading on the IRS homepage, click “Get a Tax Transcript.” Click “Get Transcript by MAIL.” Make sure to request the “IRS Tax Return Transcript” and NOT the “IRS Tax Account Transcript.”
- Telephone Request—1-800-908-9946

☐ Check here if the student’s IRS tax return transcript is attached to this worksheet.

☐ Check here if the student’s IRS tax return transcript will be submitted to the student’s school later. Verification cannot be completed until the IRS tax return transcript has been submitted to the student’s school.
2. TAX RETURN NONFILERS—Complete this section if the student/or spouse, will not file and is not required to file a 2015 income tax return with the IRS.

Check the box that applies:

☐ The student/or spouse was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2015.

☐ The student/or spouse was employed in 2015 and has listed below the names of all the student’s employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2015, and whether an IRS W-2 form is attached. Attach copies of all 2015 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student by employers. List every employer even if they did not issue an IRS W-2 form. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with the student’s name and Social Security Number at the top.

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<th>Employer’s Name</th>
<th>2015 Amount Earned</th>
<th>IRS W-2 Attached?</th>
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<td>Suzy’s Auto Body Shop (example)</td>
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D. Independent Student Other Information to Be Verified

1. Complete this section if someone in the student’s household (listed in Section B) received benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP (formerly known as food stamps) any time during the 2014 or 2015 calendar years.

☐ One of the persons listed in Section B of this worksheet received SNAP benefits in 2014 or 2015. If asked by the student’s school, I will provide documentation of the receipt of SNAP benefits during 2014 and/or 2015.

2. Complete this section if one of the student’s household members paid child support in 2015.

☐ One (or both) of the student’s household members listed in Section B of this worksheet paid child support in 2015. The student has indicated below the name of the person who paid the child support, the name of the person to whom the child support was paid, the names of the children for whom child support was paid, and the total annual amount of child support that was paid in 2015 for each child. If asked by the school, I will provide documentation of the payment of child support. If you need more space, attach a separate page that includes the student’s name and Social Security Number at the top.

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<th>Name of Person Who Paid Child Support</th>
<th>Name of Person to Whom Child Support was Paid</th>
<th>Name of Child for Whom Support Was Paid</th>
<th>Amount of Child Support Paid in 2015</th>
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<td>Marty Jones</td>
<td>Chris Smith (example)</td>
<td>Terry Jones</td>
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E. 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.
- 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.

F. Chose 1. Or 2.

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

If the student is unable to appear in person at Eastern Oklahoma State College 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 (in English or Spanish) 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 Eastern Oklahoma State College for 2015-2016.

______________________________
(Student’s Signature)          ________________________
(Date)
Declaración de Propósito Educativo

Certifico que yo, __________________________, soy el individuo que firma esta [Imprimir Nombre del Estudiante]

Declaración de Finalidad Educativa y que la ayuda financiera federal estudiantil que yo pueda recibir, sólo será utilizada para fines educativos y para pagar el costo de asistir a Eastern Oklahoma State College para 2016–2017. [Imprimir Nombre de Institución Educativa Postsecundaria]

_____________________________________________ ________________
[Firma del Estudiante] [la Fecha]

State of _____________________________________________________________________
City/County of ____________________________________________________________________
On_____________________, before me, __________________________________________,
(Date) (Notary’s name)
personally appeared, __________________________________________, and proved 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 _________________________
(2.) Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at Eastern Oklahoma State College to verify his or her identity by presenting a 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 with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student’s ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the following:

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)

(Institutional Signature)  (Title)  (Date)

G. 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.

________________________________________
Student’s Signature (required)  Date

________________________________________
Spouse’s Signature (optional)  Date

Do not mail this worksheet to the U.S. Department of Education. Submit this worksheet to the financial aid Verification Officer at Eastern Oklahoma State College.

You should make a copy of this worksheet for your records.