

Independent Student Verification Worksheet 2026-2027

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 reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, we 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 return them to the School of Law Office of Financial Aid. You may be asked to provide additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact our office.

A. Independent Student's Information

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| Last Name | First Name | M.I. | Student's Identification (ID) Number |
| Street Address (include apt. no.) | | Date of Birth | |
| City | State | Zip Code | Email Address |
| Cell Phone Number | | | |

B. Independent Student's Family Information

List below the people in your household. Include:

- Yourself.
- Your spouse, if you are married.
- Your dependent children (or other individuals) if the following are true:
 - They live with you (or live apart because they are enrolled in college)
 - They receive more than half of their support from you
 - They will continue to receive more than half their support from you during the school year (July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027).

Please note that the criteria provided for “dependent children” or “other persons” mirrors the requirement that family size align with those you could claim as a dependent on a U.S. tax return if you were to file a tax return at the time of completing the 2026-2027 FAFSA. As a result, unborn children do not count in the family size.

| Full Name | Age | Relationship |
|----------------------|-----|--------------|
| Marty Jones(example) | 28 | Wife |
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C. Independent Student's Income Information to Be Verified

If you filed a tax return in 2024, please see (1) below. If you did not file a tax return for 2024, please refer to section (2) below.

1. TAX RETURN FILERS -

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.

Because your 2024 income tax return information for the student (or spouse, if applicable) was not available or could not be used, you need to provide Quinnipiac University School of Law with a 2024 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) **or a signed copy** of the 2024 income tax return and applicable schedules.

A 2024 IRS Tax Return Transcript may be obtained through multiple sources, but the easiest is the online tool. (Please reach out if this option is not available to you as other options can be provided).

Go to www.irs.gov, click "Get Your Tax Record." Click the "Get Transcript Online" button. 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 at <https://help.id.me/hc/en-us/articles/8214940302999-IRS-and-ID-me>.

2. TAX RETURN NONFILERS –

Complete this section if you, the student (and, if married, your spouse), will not file and are not required to file a 2024 income tax return with the IRS. You must provide our office confirmation of your non-filer status. A confirmation of non-filing can be obtained from the IRS using Form 4506-T and checking box 7.

Check the box that applies:

- I (and/or my spouse if married) was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2024.
- I (and/or my spouse if married) was/were employed in 2024 and have listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2024. *List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form. Provide copies of all 2024 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student and their spouse by their employers.*

| Employer's Name | IRS W-2 or an Equivalent Document Provided? | Annual Amount Earned in 2023 |
|--|---|------------------------------|
| <i>Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>\$1245</i> |
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| | | |
| <i>Total Amount of Income Earned from Work</i> | | <i>TOTAL \$</i> |

By signing here, I certify that I have not filed and are not required to file a 2024 income tax return. Further, I certify the sources of 2024 income earned from work and the amount of income from each source are correct.

Student's Signature (Required)

Date

Spouse's Signature (Required, if married)

Date

D. Certification and Signature

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

Please return this signed and dated worksheet to the School of Law Office of Financial Aid by fax, e-mail, mail, or in person: Office of Law Financial Aid – LW-FIN, 275 Mount Carmel Avenue, Hamden, CT 06518-1908
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