2025-2026 VERIFICATION WORKSHEET –Independent V5

Your FAFSA application was selected for review in a process called verification. We are required by law to compare the information on your FAFSA with the information provided on this form and your and your spouse's (if married) (2023) federal tax forms. Financial aid will not be credited to your account until this process is complete.

A. Student Information

Last Name	First Name		M. I.	Student ID
Permanent Home Addr	ess (Include Apt. number)			Date of Birth
City	S	tate	Zip Code	Phone Number (include area code)

B. FAMILY INFORMATION

List the people in your household including:

- The student
- The student's spouse (if you are married as of the date of application)
- The student's and/or spouse's children if the student or spouse will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 even if a child does not live with the student.
- Other people if they now live with the student and the student or spouse provides more than half of the other person's support, and will continue to provide more than half of that person's support through June 30, 2026.

Number in College: Include in the space below information about any household member who is, or will be, enrolled <u>at least half time</u> in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at an eligible postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026, and include the name of the college.

FULL NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP	COLLEGE	Attending at Least Half Time
				(Yes or No)
		SELF	Luzerne County CC	

Note: We may require additional documentation if we have reason to believe that the information regarding the household members enrolled in eligible postsecondary educational institutions is inaccurate.

C. Verification of 2023 Income Information for Student/Spouse Tax Filers

Instructions: Complete this section if the student and/or spouse <u>filed or will file</u> a 2023 IRS income tax return(s). *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at <u>studentaid.gov</u>. In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2023 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed.*

Check the box that applies:

- Check and submit the 2023 IRS Tax Return Transcript or a signed copy of the 2023 income tax return.
- □ Check if student has used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool and the FAFSA has been updated.
- □ The student and/or spouse was not required to file a 2023 Federal Income Tax Return. *<u>You must complete the</u> <u>non-tax filer information below and submit a 2023 IRS Verification of Non-Filing Letter.</u>

A 2022 IRS Tax Return Transcript may be obtained through:

- <u>Get Transcript by Mail</u> Go to <u>www.irs.gov</u>, 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 <u>www.irs.gov</u>, click "Get Your Tax Record." Click "Get Transcript Online." Make sure to
 request the "Return Transcript" and *NOT* the "Account Transcript." To use the Get Transcript Online tool, the user must
 have (1) access to a valid email address, (2) a text-enabled mobile phone (pay-as-you-go plans cannot be used) in the
 user's name, and (3) specific financial account numbers (such as a credit card number or an account number for a home
 mortgage or auto loan). The transcript displays online upon successful completion of the IRS's two-step authentication.
- <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.

If the student and spouse filed separate 2023 IRS income tax returns, the IRS DRT cannot be used and the **2023 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) must be provided for each.

Verification of 2023 Income Information for Student/Spouse Nontax Filers

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

Check the box that applies:

- The student and/or spouse was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2023.
- The student and/or spouse was 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 the student/spouse by their employers]. 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 the student's name and ID number at the top.

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

*Provide documentation from the IRS or other relevant tax authority dated on or after October 1, 2024 that indicates a 2023 IRS income tax return was not filed with the IRS or other relevant tax authority or a signed statement certifying that the individual attempted to obtain confirmation of non-filing from the IRS or other relevant tax authority and was unable to obtain the required documentation.

D. In addition to completing the information requested on this verification worksheet, you are also required to submit the following:

1. Completed Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose form (Enclosed)

a. You must appear <u>in person</u> at the Luzerne County Community College Financial Aid Office located at 521 Trailblazer Dr. Nanticoke, PA 18634, to verify your identity and sign the enclosed Statement of Educational Purpose (Signed at Institution). You must bring an unexpired, valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. Office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm. Our phone number is (800) 377-5222 ext. 7389.

OR

b. If you are unable to appear in person at the Financial Aid Office, you are required to complete the enclosed Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (Signed with Notary) and mail it along with a copy of an unexpired, valid government-issued photo ID to the Luzerne County Community College Financial Aid Office located at 521 Trailblazer Dr. Nanticoke, PA 18634. The Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement section of this form must be completed by a licensed Notary to be accepted.

Individuals Who Filed Non-IRS Income Tax Returns

A tax filer who filed an income tax return with a tax authority other than the IRS may provide a signed copy of his or her income tax return that was filed with the relevant tax authority. However, if we question the accuracy of the information on the signed copy of the income tax return, the tax filer must provide us with a copy of the tax account information issued by the relevant tax authority before verification can be completed.

Individuals Who Were Victims of IRS Tax-Related Identity Theft

An individual who was the victim of IRS tax-related identity theft must provide:

- A Tax Return Data Base View (TRDBV) transcript obtained from the IRS, or if unable to obtain a TRDBV, an equivalent document provided by the IRS or a copy of the signed 2023 income tax return and applicable schedules the individual filed with the IRS: and
- A statement signed and dated by the tax filer indicating that he or she was a victim of IRS tax-related identity theft and that the IRS is aware of the tax-related identity theft

E. Certifications and Signatures

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

Print Student's Name

Student's Signature (Required)

Spouse's Signature (Optional)

Date

Date

Return this form and requested documents to:

Luzerne County Community College Office of Financial Aid 521 Trailblazer Dr. Nanticoke, PA 18634 Phone: 570-740-0389

Fax: 570-740-0347 (please make sure to fax all pages)

Email: fao@luzerne.edu

Luzerne County Community College must review the requested information under the financial aid program rules (34 CFR, Part 668).

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

Student's ID Number