

2018-2019
Academic Year

Independent Student Verification Worksheet



Student Last Name:

Student First Name:

Student ID:

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To continue processing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which was selected for verification, please complete and submit this form to our office. **Incomplete forms or conflicting information will delay the process.** Submitted documents may require additional documentation. Federal regulations require FSW to verify that your FAFSA is accurate and it will be corrected with the information provided on this form. Please read carefully. **DO NOT EMAIL documents with Personally Identifiable Information (PII)** (i.e. SSN, Full Name, Phone #, Address...).

Check only one of the following as it applies to you.

- ☐ I am an orphan: at any time since age 13, both my parents are deceased. Attach both parents' death certificates. (Q53a)
- ☐ I was in foster care at any time since age 13 (this involved a court order). Provide Official documentation from a court or Dept. of Children and Families indicating you were in Foster Care. (Q53b)
- ☐ I was a dependent or ward of the court at any time since age 13. Provide court documents showing that you were a dependent or ward of the court. Documentation will have a judge's signature for court orders. (Q53c)
- ☐ Emancipated minor: before reaching the age of adulthood (18) a court released me from the control of my parents or guardian. Include court documentation to support your claim (copy of order for emancipation). (Q54)
- ☐ Legal guardianship: I am no longer in the custody of my parent(s) AND I am in the custody of a legal guardian. Provide court documentation to support being placed into a legal guardianship by court order. (Q55)
- ☐ I am a homeless / unaccompanied youth, at any time after July 1, 2017, I am an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or at risk of being homeless. Provide documentation from a school district homeless liaison, the director or designee of the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development, or the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program. If you believe you are homeless or at risk of being homeless, but you do not have the required documentation, please speak with your Financial Aid Specialist for determination. Please note, the determination of whether a student is homeless or at risk of being homeless will be determined on a case-by-case basis. (Q56-58)
- ☐ None of the above situations apply to me. I am Dependent Student and will need to add parent data to my FAFSA

DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM WITHOUT THE REQUESTED DOCUMENTATION.

By signing this form, I certify the information on the form and any attachments are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and that there is no forgery of signature(s). I understand that any false statements or misrepresentation may be cause for denial, reduction, withdrawal, and/or repayment of financial aid, and I may be subject to a fine, imprisonment or both, under provisions of the United States Criminal Code.

Information provided on this worksheet will be used if it differs from what was entered on the original FAFSA submitted.

Student Name: _____ PRINT _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

How to submit: Fax: 239-489-9127, Mail: Florida SouthWestern, attn: Financial Aid, 8099 College Pkwy., Fort Myers, FL 33919 or in person to FSW Office of Student Financial Aid (any campus).

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