

Meridian Community College 2013-2014 Dependent Verification Worksheet V1 Group – Standard Verification Group

Your 2013–2014 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 at administrator 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's Identification (ID) Number	
Student's Street Address (include apt. no.)			Student's Date of Birth	
City State Zip Code			Student's Email Address	

Student's Home Phone Number (include area code) Student's Alternate or Cell Phone Number

In order for the financial aid office to finish the verification process, please turn in the following documents:

- □ Signed V-1 Verification Worksheet
- □ Names, ages, and relationship of each person listed in the student/spouse household
- □ Proof of College Enrollment for parent's other dependents
- □ Student and/or parent(s) 2012 Federal Tax Transcript or non-filing letters from the IRS
- □ Proof of SNAP benefits received
- □ Proof of Child Support Paid (Provided by DHS, employer, cancelled checks, check stubs, etc.)

B. Verification of Household

The parents' household includes:

- The student.
- The parents (including a stepparent) even if the student doesn't live with the parents.
- The parents' other children if the parents will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, or if the other children would be required to provide parental information if they were completing a FAFSA for 2013–2014. Include children who meet either of these standards even if the children do not live with the parents.
- Other people if they now live with the parents and the parents provide more than half of their support and will continue to provide more than half of their support through June 30, 2014.

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

Full Name	Age	Relationship	College	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time (Yes or No)
		Self		

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 Student's 2012 Income

Instructions: Complete this section if the student and spouse <u>filed or will file</u> a 2012 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>FAFSA.gov</u>. In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2012 IRS income tax return information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed.*

In most cases, for electronic filers, 2012 IRS income tax return information for the IRS DRT is available within 2–3 weeks after the 2012 electronic IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2012 paper IRS income tax returns, the 2012 IRS income tax return information is available for the IRS DRT within 8–11 weeks after the 2012 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS. Contact the financial aid office if more information is needed about using the IRS DRT.

Check the box that applies:

The student <u>has used</u> the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2012 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA.

The student has not yet used the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, but will use the tool to transfer 2012 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA once the 2012 IRS income tax return has been filed.

The student is <u>unable or chooses not to use</u> the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, and instead will provide the school a **2012 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)**. (signature not required)

To obtain a **2012 IRS Tax Return Transcript**, go to <u>www.IRS.gov</u> and click on the "Order a Return or Account Transcript" link, or call 1-800-908-9946. Make sure to request the "IRS Tax Return Transcript" and not the "IRS Tax Account Transcript." Use the Social Security Number and date of birth of the first person listed on the 2012 IRS income tax return, and the address on file with the IRS (normally this will be the address used on the 2012 IRS income tax return). In most cases, for electronic filers, a **2012 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be requested from the IRS within 2–3 weeks after the 2012 IRS income tax return has been accepted by the IRS. Generally, for filers of 2012 paper IRS income tax returns, the **2012 IRS Tax Return Transcript** may be requested within 8–11 weeks after the 2012 paper IRS income tax return has been received by the IRS.

If the student and spouse filed separate 2012 IRS income tax returns, **2012 IRS Tax Return Transcripts** must be provided for both.

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_____ Check here if a 2012 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) will be provided later.

Complete this section if the student and spouse will not file and <u>are not required</u> to file a 2012 income tax return with the IRS.

Check the box that applies:

The student and spouse were not employed and had no income earned from work in 2012.

The student and/or spouse were employed in 2012 and have listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2012, and whether an IRS W-2 form is provided. [Provide copies of all 2012 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student and spouse by their employers]. List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form.

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Employer's Name	2012 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Provided?
Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)	\$2,000.00	Yes

Instructions: Complete this section if the parents <u>filed or will file</u> a 2012 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>FAFSA.gov</u>. In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2012 IRS income tax return information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed.*

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_____ Check here if a **2012 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** will be provided later.

Complete this section if the parents will not file and are not required to file a 2012 income tax return with the IRS.

Check the box that applies:

Neither parent was employed nor had no income earned from work in 2012.

One or both parents were employed in 2012 and have listed below the names of all employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2012, and whether an IRS W-2 form is provided. [Provide copies of all 2012 IRS W-2 forms issued to the parents by their employers]. List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form.

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E. Verification of SNAP

The student and/or parents certify that a member of the student's and/or parents' household received benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP (formerly known as the Food Stamp Program) sometime during 2011 or 2012. SNAP may be known by another name in some states. For assistance in determining the name used in a state, please call 1-800-4FED-AID (1-800-433-3243).

No one in the household received SNAP benefits for either 2011 or 2012.

Students will need to turn proof of SNAP benefits from 2011 or 2012. This should be obtained from your local DHS office.

F. Child Support Paid

The student and/or parents certify that a member of the student's and/or parents' household paid child support sometime during 2011 or 2012.

No one in the household paid child support for either 2011 or 2012.

List below the names of the persons who paid the child support, the names of the persons to whom the child support was paid, the names of the children for whom the child support was paid, and the total annual amount of child support that was paid in 2012 for each child.

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	Name of Person Who Paid	Name of Person to Whom Child	Name of Child for Whom Support	Amount of Child Support
	Child Support	Support was Paid	Was Paid	Paid in 2012
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Note: If we have reason to believe that the information regarding child support paid is not accurate, we may require additional documentation.

G. Certifications and Signatures

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is 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 sentenced to jail, or both.

Print Student's Name

Student's ID Number

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature (Dependent Students Only)

Date