

Independent Student: Verification of 2017 Income Information

INSTRUCTIONS:

You, the student (**and spouse if applicable**), must check the box that is applicable to your 2017 federal tax filing status. The best way to verify tax information is by using the *IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT)* that is part of *FAFSA on the Web* at <u>fafsa.gov</u> (instructions enclosed). In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2017 income and tax information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the *IRS DRT*.

Notify the financial aid office if you and your spouse filed separate federal tax returns for 2017 or had a change in marital status after the end of the 2017 tax year (December 31, 2017).

CHECK THE BOX THAT APPLIES:

- 1. Did you, the student (and spouse, if applicable), file a 2017 Federal Income Tax Return?
 - □ Yes Continue to question # 2
 - □ No Continue to question # 3
- 2. Did you, the student (and spouse, if applicable), use the Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) in FAFSA on the Web to transfer 2017 tax return information into your FAFSA?
 - □ Yes Continue to Certification and Signature section (DO NOT answer question #3)
 - □ No But I will submit a signed copy of my 2017 Federal Income Tax Return and complete the bottom portion of this form. If you filed a separate return from your spouse (if applicable), you will need to submit a signed copy of their 2017 Federal Income Tax Return.
- 3. Did you, the student (and spouse, if applicable), work in 2017?
 - □ Yes But I was not required to file a 2017 Federal Income Tax Return and will complete the bottom portion of this form
 - □ No I did not work or earn any wages from employment and neither did my spouse (if applicable)

NAME OF WAGE EARNER	EMPLOYER'S NAME	2017 AMOUNT EARNED	W-2, 1099-R, SCHEDULE C PROVIDED
John Smith (EXAMPLE)	Suzy's Auto Body (EXAMPLE)	\$2,000.00	☑ YES (ATTACHED)
			YES (ATTACHED)
			YES (ATTACHED)
			YES (ATTACHED)
			YES (ATTACHED)
TOTAL AMOUNT OF INCOME EARNED FROM WORK IN 2017:		\$	

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

Certification and Signatures

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the information on it is complete and correct. Electronic corrections to your FAFSA may be made by our office if there are discrepancies between the information on this form and the data you filed on your FAFSA. The student must sign and date this form.

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.	STUDENT SIGNATURE:	DATE:
	SPOUSE SIGNATURE (OPTIONAL):	DATE: