# 2025-2026 VERIFICATION WORKSHEET FOR INDEPENDENT STUDENTS



Your 2025–2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)/California Dream Act Application was selected for review in a process called verification. The law says that before awarding Federal/State Student Aid, we may ask you to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA/California Dream Act Application. To verify that you provided correct information, the financial aid administrator at your school will compare your FAFSA/California Dream Act Application with the information on this worksheet and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA/California Dream Act Application 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 as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

STUDENT INFORMATION	LVRWSI 12	
Last Name:	First Name:	Student ID:
Street Address (include apt #):		Date of Birth:
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Phone w/area code:	Email:	

#### **FAMILY INFORMATION**

On the chart below, list the people in your household. Include:

- Yourself
- Your spouse (if married)
- Your children if, you and your spouse will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, even if the children do not live with you.
- Other people if they now live with you and your spouse and you and your spouse provide more than half of their financial support and will continue to provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

The provided criteria for "dependent children" or "other persons" align with the requirement that family size align with whom the student could claim as a dependent on a U.S. tax return if the student were to file a U.S tax return at the time of completing the 2025-2026 FAFSA. As a result, the student should not include any unborn children in the family size.

FULL NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP

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

#### **STUDENT / SPOUSE INCOME INFORMATION**

This section is to verify the student/spouse's income information based on your tax filing status, and how you provided your income on the FAFSA. Please check one correct box in the section below.

In the case of California Dream Act applicant, please include registered domestic partner tax information for your partner. In addition, if you have a child and biological parents live together, tax information for both is to be provided even if they filed separately.

## FOR TAX FILERS:

- I (student and spouse, if married) used the FUTURE Act Direct Data Exchange (FA-DDX) on the 2025-2026 FAFSA to transfer the 2023 federal tax information (FTI) into my FAFSA.
- I have not yet used the FA-DDX on the 2025-2026 FAFSA but will use the tool to transfer 2023 FTI into my FAFSA.

I am unable to use the FA-DDX on the 2025-2026 FAFSA and instead will provide the school with a signed copy of my 2023 income tax return or with my 2023 IRS Tax Return Transcript.

### FOR NON-TAX FILERS:

- I (student and spouse, if married) did not file taxes in 2023 and had no earned income.
- □ I earned income in 2023 but did not file a tax return because I was not required to do so (I will provide the school with copies of my 2023 W2 and/or 1099 form[s] and complete the chart below).

Employer's Name	IRS W-2 or an Equivalent Document Provided?	Annual Amount Earned in 2023
	Total	

Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

CERTIFICATION & SIGNATURE		
I certify that all of the information reported on this worksheet is complete and correct. The student must sign this worksheet. If married, the spouse's signature is optional.		
Student Signature:	Date:	
Spouse's Signature:	Date:	