

2026-2027 Verification Worksheets
Independent Student-Tracking Group V4

Your 2026-2027 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, we 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 these documents to our office.

A. Independent Student's Information

Student's Last Name	Student's First Name	MI	Student's Last Four Digit of SSN Number
Student's Street Address (include apt. no.)			Student's Date of Birth
City	State	Zip	Student's Email Address
Student's Phone Number		Student's Alternate or Cell Phone Number	

B. Verification of Identity (To Be Signed at the Institution)

Note: To complete V4 identity verification, a student must present an unexpired, valid, government-issued photo identification such as a U.S. passport, a driver's license, or other state-issued ID.

Check the box that applies below:

- The student appeared in person and presented acceptable identification to an institutionally authorized individual.
- The student was verified by a service provider that is compliant with National Institute of Standards and Technology Identity Assurance Level 2 (NIST IAL2). The institution received acceptable documentation directly from the service provider confirming the date of the verification and that the student's identity was verified under the NIST IAL2 standard.
- The student was unable to appear in-person and provided the institution with a copy of the acceptable identification presented to a notary and a signed notary statement.
- The student was unable to appear in-person and appeared on a video call with institutional personnel and presented the acceptable identification to an institutionally authorized individual.
- The student is a confined or incarcerated individual and was verified by an authorized official at the correctional facility where the individual is confined or incarcerated.

C. Verification of Identity (To Be Signed in the Presence of a Notary)

If the student is unable to appear in person at The Cooper Union to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:

- (a) A copy of the unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, or that is presented to a notary, such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport.

Notary's Certificate of Knowledge

State of _____ City/County of _____ on _____ before me, _____
(Notary's Name)

Personally appeared, _____ and proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence of
(Printed name of signer)

Identification _____ to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.
(Type of unexpired government-issued photo ID provided)

Witness my hand and official seal _____
(Notary Signature) (Date Commission Expires)

(Seal)

D. Certification and Signatures

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the verification documents submitted with this certification are complete and correct.

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

The student must sign and date.

Student's Signature (Required)

Date

Do not mail this worksheet to the U.S. Department of Education. Submit this worksheet to the financial aid administrator at your school. You should make a copy of this worksheet for your records.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Student presented one of the following unexpired form of ID:

State Driver's License or Identification Card

U.S. Passport

School Official Printed Name: _____

School Official Signature: _____

Date: _____