

# 2025-2026 WVNCC Independent Verification Worksheet

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Student's: Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ @mail.wvncc.edu – All correspondence from our office will be sent here

Your FAFSA was selected for review in a process called "Verification." In this process WVNCC is required to compare information from your FAFSA with other documentation such as an official IRS Tax Return Transcript or IRS Verification of Non-filing Letter for you and your spouse, if married. If you and/or your spouse, if married, were not required to file a federal tax return you must submit copies of any W-2 forms or earnings statements. The law says we have a right to ask you for this information before awarding federal aid. If there are differences between your FAFSA and your financial documents we may need to send corrections electronically to have your information reprocessed.

## What you should do

- Complete this worksheet. **ALL SECTIONS MUST BE FILLED IN.** Write N/A (not applicable) or enter a zero if the field does not pertain to you. You MUST sign the worksheet.
- Send or take the completed worksheet, plus copies of your and your spouse's, if married, 2023 IRS Tax Transcript or signed copy of a federal income tax return/Verification of Non-filing Letter, and 2023 W-2 forms (if applicable) to the Financial Aid Office or your Campus Service Center at WVNCC.

*We must review the requested information under the financial aid program rules (CFR)*

## A. Family (Household) Information (verifying number in household and number in college)

List below the people in your household. Include:

- Yourselves on the **first** line
- Your spouse, if married.
- You and/or your spouse's children if you or 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 the student.
- Other people if they now live with you and you and your spouse provide **more than half** of their support and will continue to provide **more than half** of their support through June 30, 2026.

Include the name of the college for all household members who will be enrolled, **at least half time** in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at an eligible postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026.

FULL NAME	A G E	RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT	COLLEGE ATTENDING IN 2025-2026 (if applicable)	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time (Yes or No)
		Self	WVNCC	

## B. Student's 2023 Income Information

- \*\* FEDERAL TAX RETURN FILERS ONLY \*\*—Important Note:** If you (or your spouse, if married) filed, or will file, an amended 2023 Federal Income Tax Return, you must submit a signed copy of the 2023 IRS Form 1040X.

**Instructions:** Complete this section if the student filed or will file a 2023 income tax return with the IRS. *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool that is part of FAFSA on the Web. If you have not already used the tool, go to [studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov), log in to the student's FAFSA record, select "Make FAFSA Corrections," and navigate to the "Student Financials" section of the form. From there, follow the instructions to determine if the student is eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to transfer 2023 IRS income tax information into the student's FAFSA.*

Check only one box below:

- ☐ Check here if you used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web to retrieve and transfer 2023 IRS income information for you (and your spouse, if married) without altering the data into the FAFSA, either on the initial FAFSA or when making a correction to the FAFSA. *WVNCC will use the IRS information that was transferred in the verification process. YOU DO NOT NEED TO PROVIDE A COPY OF A 2023 IRS TAX RETURN TRANSCRIPT.*

- ☐ Check here if you have not yet used, or were unable to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool in FAFSA on the Web.

**WVNCC cannot complete the verification process until the IRS information has been transferred without altering the data into the FAFSA -or- you submit to WVNCC a 2023 IRS tax return transcript or a signed copy of your federal income tax return (Form 1040) for you (and your spouse, if married)**

*To obtain an IRS tax return transcript, go to [www.irs.gov](https://www.irs.gov) and click on "Get Your Tax Record" on the main/home screen. Select either "Get Transcript Online" or "Get Transcript by Mail" and follow the prompts. Make sure to request the "IRS tax return transcript" and not the "IRS tax account transcript." You will need your Social Security Number, date of birth, and the address on file with the IRS (normally this will be the address used when the 2023 IRS tax return was filed). It takes up to two weeks for IRS income information to be available for electronic IRS tax return filers, and up to eight weeks for paper IRS tax return filers.*

If the student and spouse filed separate 2023 IRS income tax returns, **2023 IRS Tax Return Transcripts or signed copies of federal income tax returns (Form 1040)** must be provided for both.

- ☐ Check here if you are attaching a copy of your (and your spouse's, if married) 2023 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s) or a signed copy of federal income tax return(s) (Form 1040) to this worksheet.

2. **\*\* TAX RETURN NONFILERS ONLY \*\***—Complete this section if you (and, if married, your spouse) will not file and are not required to file a 2023 federal income tax return with the IRS. List below your employer(s) and any income received in 2023. **You are required to submit an IRS Verification of Non-filing Letter and all 2023 W-2 forms or other earnings statements.**

Check the box that applies:

- ☐ Check here if you (and if married, your spouse) were not employed and had no income earned from work in 2023. You are required to submit a **2023 IRS Verification of Non-filing Letter** – To obtain a Verification of Non-filing letter, go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and click on “Get Your Tax Record” on the main/home screen. Select “Get Transcript Online” and follow the prompts. For transcript type you must select “Verification of Non-filing Letter.” If you are unable to get the transcript online, one may be ordered by filling out a 4506-T form or calling 1-800-908-9946.

Effective 1/9/19: If you (or your spouse) are unable to obtain the Verification of Non-filing (VNF) from the IRS or other tax authorities, they must provide the following information to the Financial Aid Office to determine their eligibility for financial aid based on the certification that they did not file and are not required to file an income tax return for the 2023 tax year –

- **A signed statement** (Form available upon request) certifying that you (or your spouse) –
  - **Attempted to obtain the VNF from the IRS or other tax authorities and was unable to obtain the required documentation;** and
  - Has not filed and is not required to file a 2023 income tax return

- ☐ Check here if you (and if married, your spouse) were employed in 2023. Attach copies of all 2023 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student (and if married, your spouse) by employers. List any employer that did not issue an IRS W-2 form in the space below. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with the student's name and Student ID number at the top. In addition you are required to submit a **2023 IRS Verification of Non-filing Letter for you and your spouse (if applicable)** – To obtain a Verification of Non-filing letter, go to [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and click on “Get Your Tax Record” on the main/home screen. Select “Get Transcript Online” and follow the prompts. For transcript type you must select “Verification of Non-filing Letter.” If you are unable to get the transcript online, one may be ordered by filling out a 4506-T form or calling 1-800-908-9946.

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Employer's Name	2023 Amount Earned
Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)	\$2,000.00(example)

Note: If you are married and filed “married, filing separately,” you will be required to submit an IRS tax return transcript or a signed copy of a federal income tax return (Form 1040) for both you and your spouse. If you are married and you and/or your spouse did not file a 2023 tax return, you will be required to submit an IRS verification of non-filing letter for you and/or your spouse.

### C. Certification and Signatures

By signing this worksheet, we (the student and if married, the spouse) certify the information reported is complete and correct. **The student must sign this worksheet. Warning:** If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, sentenced to jail, or both, and/or the student may be subject to disciplinary action as stated in WVNC's Student Code of Conduct Rule.

Student's Signature

Date

Spouse's Signature (Optional)

Date

Student's: Last Name

First Name

M.I.

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Student ID #

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Section D and E must be completed in person\*\* at the Financial Aid Office or with a New Martinsville or Weirton Campus Designee.  
SIGNATURE MUST BE WITNESSED BY WVNCC FINANCIAL AID OFFICE STAFF OR DESIGNEE

**D. Statement of Educational Purpose\*\***

I certify that I \_\_\_\_\_ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational  
(Print Student's Name)

Purpose and that the Federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending **WEST VIRGINIA NORTHERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE** for 2025-2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**E. Proof of Identity\*\***

The student must appear in person at **WEST VIRGINIA NORTHERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE** to verify his or her identity by presenting an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport.

\_\_\_\_ Student has shown proof of identity by providing the following government-issued photo id: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, a copy was made and attached by: \_\_\_\_\_  
WVNCC Financial Aid Office Staff or Designee Signature      Date

\*\*If you are unable to appear in person to complete Section E and F, please contact the WVNCC Financial Aid Office at 304-233-5900 or [financialaidoffice@wvncc.edu](mailto:financialaidoffice@wvncc.edu) for an alternative option.