# LAMAR INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY FINANCIAL AID 2018-2019 V1 Independent Standard Worksheet

#### PURPOSE:

Your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called **VERIFICATION.** The law says that we may ask you to confirm the information you and/or your spouse reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, the financial aid office at your school will compare your FAFSA to information on this worksheet and any required documents. If CORRECTIONS should be necessary, your FINANCIAL AID OFFICE will submit them via the Federal F.A.A. authorized site.

DO NOT MAKE CHANGES TO YOUR FAFSA ONCE THE VERIFICATION PROCESS HAS BEGUN AT YOUR SCHOOL.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

You and/or your spouse must complete and sign this worksheet, attach ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS, and submit the COMPLETED PACKET to the financial aid office. Your financial aid office may be required to ask for additional information based on data provided in your initial packet. Please comply timely if this becomes necessary. If you have questions about verification, contact your financial aid office as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

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Student Name: _			Date of Birth:	
Street Address:		City:	State:	ZIP:
Student Phone:	Spouse Phone:		Alternate Phone:	
Section A:	Family Information			

List below the people in the student's household. You must include:

- Yourself, as the student applicant.
- Your spouse if you are/were legally married at the time the FAFSA was completed.
- You and/or spouse's children IF you/spouse will provide more than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> their support from July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019.
  - > Even if the children do not live in your household.
  - > **DO NOT** include children that would qualify as INDEPENDENT students if they completed a FAFSA.
- Other people if they now live with you, and you/spouse provide more than half of their support and will continue to do so through June 30, 2019.

**Also:** For any household member listed below who will be <u>enrolled at least half time</u> in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at an eligible post-secondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019, please provide the College Name and a copy of their college schedule.

Full Name of Qualified Family Member	Age	Relationship To Student	College to be attended by family member	Enrolling ½ time or more	Schedule Attached
Missy Jones (example)	18	Sister	Central University	Yes	Yes
		Self			n/a

Important Notice: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined \$20,000, sent to prison, or both. Work with your Financial Aid Office to complete the Verification process timely and accurately. This will help you prevent delays, and avoid loss of eligibility or future penalties.

#### Student's Name:

# Section B: Student/Spouse Income Information

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The best way to populate the income sections of your FAFSA and to complete the verification of income information is to have

used the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at FAFSA.gov. In most cases, no further documentation will be needed to verify 2016 IRS income tax return information if all data completely and correctly transferred into the student's FAFSA and IF

**D** be needed to verify 2016 IRS income tax return information if all data completely and correctly transferred into the student's FAFSA and IF that information has not been changed.

# Student Tax Filers:

Complete this section if the student/spouse has filed a 2016 IRS income tax return(s).

#### Check the box that applies:

- The student/spouse has used the IRS DRT to transfer 2016 tax information to the 2018-2019 FAFSA.
- \_\_\_\_ The student/spouse is unable or chooses not to use the IRS DRT to populate FAFSA on the Web

Attach the following:

- 2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript for yourself and/or your spouse if legally married
- **2016 W-2(s) or Wage & Income Transcript** for yourself and/or your spouse if legally married
- □ Statement of total 2016 earnings from EACH employer not issuing W-2 forms

\*\*\*\*\* Please note: Per federal regulations, a photocopy of your 1040 tax form is NOT acceptable documentation \*\*\*\*\*

### Student Non-Filers:

The student and/or spouse was not employed and had **ZERO INCOME** earned from work in 2016.

The student and/or spouse WAS EMPLOYED and received taxed or untaxed income earned from work in 2016.

#### Complete the following table listing all employers, total earnings and W-2 status

Attach the following:

- **2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript or "Statement of Non-filing"**
- □ 2016 W-2(s) or IRS Wage & Income Transcript
- □ Statement of total 2016 earnings from EACH employer not issuing W-2 forms

Employer's Name	2016 Earnings	W-2 Issued	Attached
Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)	\$\$\$\$.\$\$	Yes	$\checkmark$

**Incomplete Verification Data will not be accepted** by the school. Verification cannot be completed until the required IRS documents and any additional necessary paperwork has been submitted to the school.

Important Notice: If we have reason to believe that the information regarding income data from the 2016 base-year is inaccurate, or if you have reported an unusually low income for your household size, we may require additional documentation. You may be required to submit IRS Tax Return Transcripts and Wage & Income Transcripts even though you utilized the IRS DRT to populate your FAFSA.

## How to order 2016 Tax Return Transcripts (not ACCOUNT transcript) and Wage & Income Transcripts

Online at <u>www.irs.gov</u>	→ Click "Get Transcript of Your Tax Records"	→ Click "Get Transcript ONLINE"
	ightarrow Provide data to set up an account with IRS	ightarrow Click "Higher Ed / Student Aid"
	→ Select "Return Transcript" for 2016	→ Repeat for "Wage & Income Transcript"
Call IRS at	→ Request "2016 Tax Return Transcript"	
<u>1-800-908-9946</u>		
Mail/FAX Form 4506T-EZ	ightarrow Available on the IRS website.	ightarrow Download / Print / Complete /Submit
	→ Request "Tax Return Transcript"	→ Request "Wage & Income Transcript"

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the information reported on it is complete and correct, and that any/all			
documentation required for consideration will be provided to assist the LIT Financial Aid Office with determination of eligibility. The			
student and/or spouse must sign and date.			

Student's	Signature	

Spouse's Signature

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Retain copies of this worksheet and all original documentation for your records.