

# **2023-2024 Dependent Verification Worksheet**

Your 2023–2024 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 and your parents reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, the financial aid administrator at Ohio Christian University (OCU) 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 and at least one parent must complete and sign this worksheet, attach any required documents, then submit the form and other required documents to the OCU Financial Aid Office.

# A. Student Information

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Social Security Number	
Street Address (include apt. no.)			Date of Birth	
City	State	Zip Code	Home or Cell Phone Number	

E-mail address

# B. Student's Family Information

In the list below please include the following people in your <u>parent(s)' household</u>:

- Yourself.
- Your parent(s) (including a stepparent) even if you don't live with your parent(s). Do not include parent not living in the household due to separation/divorce.
- Your parent(s)' other children if your parent(s) will provide more than half of their support from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, or if the other children would be required to provide parental information if they were completing a FAFSA for 2023–2024. *Include children who meet either of these standards, even if they do not live with your parent(s).*
- Other people if they now live with your parent(s), and your parent(s) provide more than half of their support and will continue to provide more than half of their support through June 30, 2024.
- List the college/university that any household member, <u>excluding your parent(s)</u>, will be enrolled, <u>at least half-time</u> in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at a postsecondary educational institution any time between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024. An eligible college/university is defined as a school that participates in Title IV (federal) aid programs.

Full Name	Age	Relationship	Will be Enrolled in Eligible College at least half time
		Self	Ohio Christian University

Student's Name:

SSN:

### C. Student's Income Information to Be Verified

#### Complete Section #1 or #2 below (not both) depending on your tax filing status

**Section #1** TAX RETURN <u>FILERS</u>—Important Note: If the student filed, or will file, an <u>amended</u> 2021 IRS tax return, the student must contact the financial aid administrator before completing this section.

**Instructions**: Complete this section if the student <u>filed or will file</u> a 2021 IRS income tax return. *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at <u>studentaid.gov</u>. In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2021 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed by the FAFSA filer.* 

#### Check the box that applies:

The student <u>has used or will use</u> the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2021 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA. *Your school will use the IRS information that was transferred in the verification process.* 

The student is <u>unable or chooses not to use</u> the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, and instead will provide the school with a **2021 IRS Tax Return Transcript** or a signed copy of the 2021 1040 (first two pages) and schedules 1-3 (if applicable). All signatures must be handwritten and per the discretion of the financial aid office, additional documentation may be required.

**Section #2** TAX RETURN <u>NONFILERS</u>—Complete this section if the student will not file and is <u>not required</u> to file a 2021 income tax return with the IRS.

#### Check the box that applies:

The student was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2021. <u>Note: We may require you to provide</u> <u>documentation from the IRS that indicates a 2021 IRS form was not filed with the IRS.</u>

The student was employed in 2021 and has listed below the names of all the student's employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2021, and whether IRS W-2 forms are attached. Attach copies of **all** 2021 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student by employers. *List every employer even if they did not issue an IRS W-2 form. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with the student's name and Social Security Number at the top.* 

Employer's Name	2021 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Attached?
Total:		

#### Student's Name:

SSN:

#### **D.** Parent's Income Information to Be Verified

Note: If two parents were reported in Section B of this worksheet, the instructions and certifications below refer and apply to <u>both</u> parents.

#### Complete Section #1 or #2 below (not both) depending on your tax filing status.

**Section #1** TAX RETURN <u>FILERS</u>—Important Note: If the student's parent(s), filed or will file, an <u>amended</u> 2021 IRS tax return the student's financial aid administrator must be contacted before completing this section.

**Instructions:** Complete this section if the parent(s) <u>filed or will file</u> a 2021 IRS income tax return(s). *The best way to verify income is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) that is part of FAFSA on the Web at <u>studentaid.gov</u>. In most cases, no further documentation is needed to verify 2021 income information that was transferred into the student's FAFSA using the IRS DRT if that information was not changed by the FAFSA filer.* 

#### Check the box that applies:

The student's parent(s) <u>have used or will use</u> the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web* to transfer 2021 IRS income tax return information into the student's FAFSA. *If the student's parent(s) filed separate 2021 IRS income tax returns, the IRS DRT cannot be used and the* **2021 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** or a signed copy of the 2021 federal income tax return (1040) *must be provided for each.* The student's school will use the IRS information transferred into the student's FAFSA to complete the verification process.

The student's parent(s) are <u>unable or choose not to use</u> the IRS DRT in *FAFSA on the Web*, and instead will provide the school with a **2021 IRS Tax Return Transcript(s)** <u>or</u> a signed copy of the 2021 1040 (first two pages) and schedules 1-3 (if applicable). All signatures must be handwritten and per the discretion of the financial aid office, additional documentation may be required. If the student's parent(s) are married, and they filed separate 2021 tax returns, both parents must submit tax return transcripts.

**Section #2** TAX RETURN <u>NONFILERS</u>—Complete this section if the student's parent(s) will not file and <u>is not required</u> to file a 2021 income tax return with the IRS.

#### Check the box that applies:

The student's parent(s) were not employed and had no income earned from work in 2021. You will need to provide documentation from the IRS dated on or after October 1, 2022 that indicates a 2021 IRS income tax return was not filed with the IRS.

The student's parent(s) were employed in 2021 and have listed below the names of all the parent(s) employers, the amount earned from each employer in 2021, and whether IRS W-2 forms are attached. Attach copies of <u>all</u> 2021 IRS W-2 forms issued to the parent(s) by employer(s). *List every employer even if they did not issue an IRS W-2 form. If more space is needed, attach a separate page with the student's name and Social Security Number at the top.* 

Employer's Name	2021 Amount Earned	IRS W-2 Attached?
Total:		

## E. Certification and Signatures

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all the information reported on it is complete and correct. The student and one parent must sign and date.

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

Student's Signature (Required)

Date

Parent's Signature (Required)

Date

\*\*\*Please note that all signatures provided MUST be handwritten\*\*\*

Please make a copy of this worksheet for your records.

## F. Submission

Please return the completed form and required documentation to Ohio Christian University Financial Aid Department by one of the following ways.

- Fax- 740-477-7714
- E-mail <u>FAFSAhelp@ohiochristian.edu</u>
- Mail- Ohio Christian University Attn: Financial Aid 1476 Lancaster Pike Circleville, OH 43113

If you are emailing completed forms or documentation with personal identifiable information included, please review encryption requirements at (ohiochristian.edu/encryption-instructions).