

Financial Aid • FAFSA

Selected for FAFSA Verification?

It is a routine review, not an accusation. Respond quickly and follow your school's instructions.

Verification is a process schools use to confirm certain information on a FAFSA form. Some applications are selected by the federal processing system, and schools may select others. Being selected does not mean you did anything wrong.

How You'll Know

- Open your FAFSA Submission Summary at StudentAid.gov and check Next Steps.
- Look for an asterisk next to your Student Aid Index (SAI) and a verification notice.
- Watch your email and each school's financial aid portal.

What the School Will Tell You

- The exact documents or forms you need to submit.
- Your deadline, how to submit the information, and what may happen if you miss it.
- Any additional steps needed to complete the review.

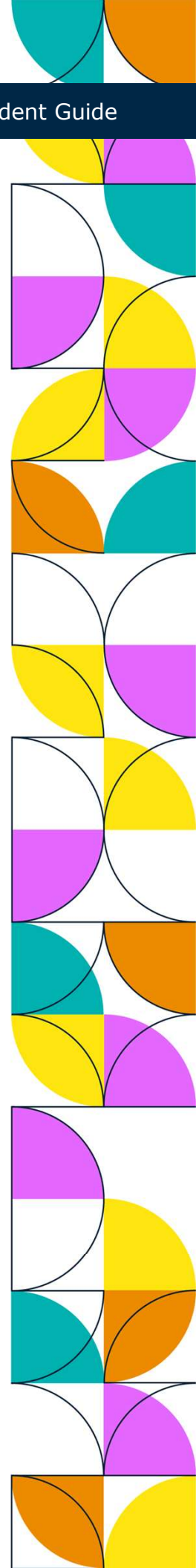
What You May Be Asked to Verify

Your request may cover family size, income or tax information not already verified through the IRS transfer, or identity. The requirements vary by student and school, so submit only what your financial aid office requests.

Do Not Guess or Send Extra Documents

If an original FAFSA answer was incorrect, ask the financial aid office whether you or the school should make the correction.

Next: use the four-step checklist on page 2.





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Complete Verification in Four Steps

Keep copies, meet the deadline, and stay in contact with the financial aid office.

1 Read the Request Carefully

Note the deadline, list every requested document, and confirm the approved submission method. Contact the financial aid office right away if any instruction is unclear.

2 Gather Only the Requested Items

The school may request its own verification form, a family size statement, income or tax documents, or an unexpired government-issued photo ID. A contributor may also need to provide information or a signature.

3 Submit Everything Securely and Completely

Use the school's secure portal or another approved method. Complete every required field and signature. Use "N/A" or "0" only when the form's instructions allow it. Save copies and the submission confirmation.

4 Confirm Receipt and Follow Up

Monitor your email and financial aid portal until the school marks verification complete. Respond quickly to follow-up requests, and contact the office if you cannot get a document before the deadline.

Keep in Mind

Verification may result in no change, an increase, or a decrease in aid eligibility. Missing the school's deadline can delay aid and may affect your eligibility for some financial aid.

Questions? Start with your school's financial aid office. For more FAFSA guidance, visit appily.com/fafsa.