

2025-2026 Federal Independent Verification Worksheet

Please complete and sign this worksheet. We are comparing the information you wrote on this worksheet to the information you provided on the FAFSA. If the information does not match, changes will be made to the FAFSA.

A. Student Information

Last Name

First Name

Student ID #

B. Household Information - List the members of your household. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

Students include: **yourself**, your **spouse** (if legally married), **children/step-children** (if you will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025), individuals who live with you and receive more than half of their support from you, now through June 30, 2025.

Full Name	Relationship to Student	Age
	Yourself	

C. Federal Tax Return Filing Status - Student (& Spouse if married) . Please select the appropriate response.

- ☐ I filed my 2023 Federal Tax Return and successfully used the IRS Direct Data Exchange via the FAFSA.
- ☐ I filed my 2023 Federal Tax Return and chose not to or I am unable to use the IRS Direct Data Exchange. Submit:
2023 signed copy of your 1040 (Include Schedules 1, 2, 3, C, and K-1 if applicable), or IRS Tax Return Transcript.
If student and spouse filed a joint 2023 IRS Income Tax Return, submit all 2023 W-2s for both student and spouse. If student and spouse filed separate returns, submit 2023 IRS Income Tax Returns (Include Schedules 1, 2, 3, C, and K-1 if applicable) for both student and spouse, or submit Tax Return Transcripts for both.
- ☐ I amended taxes after filing my original return and will submit:
1. 2023 signed copy of your IRS 1040 (Include Schedules 1, 2, 3, C, and K-1 if applicable), or IRS Tax Return Transcript
2. 2023 signed copy of your IRS form 1040X
3. If married and your taxes were filed jointly submit all 2023 W-2s
- ☐ I will not and am not required to file. I was not employed and earned no income from work in 2023. Submit:
2023 Student and/or Spouse Verification of Non-filing Letter or Letters from the IRS
- ☐ I will not and am not required to file. In 2023, I earned \$ _____ from the source(s) listed below:

Employer's Name	Issued W-2?
	Yes No
	Yes No
Attach all W-2s issued to you in 2023 and submit Verification of Non-filing Letter from the IRS	

Tax return transcripts and IRS Verification of Non-filing can be requested online at www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript, by phone at 1-800-908-9946, or by completing an IRS form 4506-T or 4506T-EZ.

D. Certification and signature - By signing below, I certify that all information is complete and correct.

Note: This form must be signed with a hand written signature. Typed names or electronic signatures are not acceptable and will delay processing

*Student's Signature

Date

Submit form by mail (finaid@rio.edu), fax (740-245-7201), in person at basement of the Student Rhodes Center.

Authorized Signature _____ Date _____