Office of Financial Aid
2016 – 2017 Verification Worksheet
Federal Student Aid Programs

Your 2016–2017 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 (Department of Education) may ask you to confirm the information you and your parents reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, financial aid administrators at Bowie State University 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.

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

A. Student’s Information

Student’s Last Name  Student’s First Name  Student’s M.I.  Student’s Social Security Number
Student’s Street Address (include apt. no.)  Student’s Date of Birth
City  State  Zip Code  Student’s Email Address
Student’s Home Phone Number (include area code)  Student’s Alternate or Cell Phone Number

IF you are a **DEPENDENT** student, provide the information below about your parent(s) household.

IF you are an **INDEPENDENT** student, provide the information below about you and/or your spouse’s household.

B. Information to BeVerified

1. Do you or someone in your household receive benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP formerly known as food stamps during 2014 or 2015? (IF REPORTED ON ISIR)

   ![Yes][No] * If yes, please provide documentation for SNAP benefits received during 2014 and/or 2015.

2. Complete this section if you, (and, if married, my spouse’s) and/or your parent(s) paid child support in 2015. Submit Documentation

   **Note:** If we have a reason to believe that the information regarding child support paid is inaccurate, we may require additional documentation such as: a signed statement from the individual receiving the child support certifying the amount of child support received, or, copies of child support payment checks, money order receipts, or similar records of electronic payments having been made.

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<th>Name of Person Who Paid Child Support</th>
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<th>Name of Child for Whom Support Was Paid</th>
<th>Amount of Child Support Paid in 2015</th>
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C. Certification and Signature

I certify that all of the information reported on this worksheet is complete and correct. The student must sign this worksheet. If married, the spouse’s signature is optional.

Student’s Signature: ________________________________ Date: _______________________________

Parent’s Signature: ________________________________ Date: _______________________________

(Independent Students Only)

D. High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents that indicate the student’s high school completion status when the student will begin college in 2016–2017:

- A copy of the student’s high school diploma.
- A copy of the student’s final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- A copy of the student’s General Educational Development (GED) certificate or GED transcript.
- An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor’s degree.
- If State law requires a homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- If State law does not require a homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a transcript or the equivalent, signed by the student’s parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and documents the successful completion of a secondary school education in a Homeschool setting.

*If the student is unable to obtain the documentation listed above, he or she must contact the financial aid officer.

E. Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To be signed at the Institution)

**Complete this section only in the presence of a BSU, Office of Financial Aid Employee OR a Notary Public.

The student must appear in person at Bowie State University or before a Notary Public to verify his or her identity by presenting valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport. The institution will maintain a copy of the student’s photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student’s ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the following: Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I, _____________________________ (Print Student’s Name) am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the federal student financial assistance I may receive will be used only for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Bowie State University for 2015–2016.
This original document and a copy of your valid photo ID must be returned to the Office of Financial Aid.

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Notary’s Certificate of Acknowledgement
(If applicable)

State of _________________________________ City/County of _________________________________

On _____________________, before me, ____________________________________________________.
(Date) (Notary)

Personally appeared, ________________________________________________________________, has presented a valid
(Signer/student)

Government-issued photo identification (ID) such as, but limited to a driver’s license, other state issued ID, or passport.

(Seal) __________________________________________________ My commission expires on __________
(Notary signature) (Date)

_________________________________________ ___________________
(FAO Administrator’s Signature) (Date)

_________________________________________ ___________________
(Student’s Signature) (Student’s ID Number) (Date)