

2022-2023 <u>Income</u> Verification Worksheet Independent

Your 2022-2023 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called "verification." This process requires Ranken Technical College to compare information from your FAFSA with the information on this worksheet and with any other required documents. The law states we have the right to ask you for this information before awarding Federal Student Aid. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. Please complete this verification form and submit it to the Financial Aid Office as soon as possible. Failure to submit information in a timely manner may result in payment being owed to the College. *Ranken Technical College must review the requested information under the financial aid program rules (34CFR, Part 668).*

A. Student Information

Last Name First MI Social Security Number

B. Instructions for Completing the 2022-2023 Income Verification Requirements

Verifying Income Reported on the FAFSA:

- There are three options available to assist students (and, if married, your spouse) with the completion of the income verification requirement. If you owe the IRS, you may not be able to utilize any of these options until your tax obligation is paid in full.
- The IRS Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) is the best, easiest and most accurate option to satisfy the income verification requirements.
- Copies of W-2's for 2020 are also REQUIRED to be submitted to the school.
- Students (and, if married, your spouse) who <u>have not</u> filed a 2020 tax return and <u>were not</u> required to file a 2020 tax return must obtain a confirmation letter from the IRS verifying they did not file a tax return for 2020. For additional information, please see page 2.

Option 1: The IRS Data Retrieval Tool Option 2: Tax Return Transcript Option 3: SIGNED 2020 Federal 1040 (Including all Schedules)

You <u>can</u> use option 1 if:	You <u>cannot</u> use option 1 if:	
• You have filed your 2020 federal tax return	 Your marital status changes after December 31st of the same tax year 	
You have a valid Social Security Number	 You filed "married filing separately" 	
 You have a FSA ID (username and password) 	You are a victim of Identity Theft with the IRS	

Option 1: The IRS Data Retrieval Tool

How to Use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool

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1. Log into the FAFSA at <u>studentaid.gov</u> or the myStudentAid app using the student's FSA ID (username and password).
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- 2. Select "APPLY FOR AID." Heading.
- 3. Then select "Reviewing and Correcting Your FAFSA Form."
- 4. Click on the "Financial Information" tab.
- 5. Answer the questions that determine if the IRS Data Retrieval Tool can be used. If eligible to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, enter your FSA ID and link to the IRS. You will be notified that you are leaving FAFSA on the web. Click "OK" to continue.

6. Enter the requested information exactly as it appears on the filed tax return. Click "Submit." If the IRS is able to validate your identification, the Federal Income Tax Information will be available to import.

- 7. Click "Transfer Now" and then return to the FAFSA using the link provided.
- 8. Once completed, continue to the "sign and submit" tab and submit your corrections.
- 9. Corrected FAFSA results will be submitted to your school.

Option 2: Tax Return Transcript

If you cannot use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, choose not to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, or have changed your IRS data on the FAFSA since using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, you may provide a copy of your **2020 IRS Tax Return Transcript**. **Copies of W-2s for 2020 are also REQUIRED to be submitted to the school.**

How to Obtain a Tax Return Transcript				
Online Request	Telephone Request	Local IRS Office	Paper Request	
Go online to <u>www.irs.gov</u>	Call the IRS at 1-800-908- 9946	Visit your local IRS office; appointments may be required	Use this option if you are unable to use any of the other options OR if you must obtain an IRS verification of non-filing letter	
Select 'Get Your Tax Record " link	Enter the requested personal information	To locate local IRS office you may visit www.irs.gov	Print Form 4506T EZ from the IRS website, www.irs.gov	
Select "Get Transcript Online" OR "Get a Transcript by Mail"	Select "Option 2" to request an I RS Tax <u>Return</u> Transcript and then enter "2020"	Search under "Contact Your Local IRS Office" to locate one in your area	Mail or fax the completed form to the appropriate address or number listed on page 2 of the 4506T EZ form	
Follow the instructions and enter the required personal information		Select the "Taxpayer Assistance Center Office Locator" link		
Choose " <u>Return</u> Transcript " as the type of transcript AND 2020 for the tax year		Request IRS Tax <u>Return</u> Transcript for 2020		

NOTE REGARDING NON-TAX FILERS:

- Students (and, if married, your spouse) who have not <u>AND</u> were not required to file a tax return <u>must obtain a</u> verification of non-filing letter from the IRS confirming you did not file a tax return in 2020 AND complete the INCOME INFORMATION FOR NON-FILERS section of the Income Verification worksheet on page 3.
- A verification of non-filing letter may be obtained by following the ONLINE REQUEST or PAPER REQUEST instructions above on *How to Obtain a Tax Return Transcript.*
- If income is earned, you must submit a copy of each W-2 for 2020.
- If you are unable to obtain a verification of non-filing letter from the IRS, please contact the Financial Aid Office.

NOTE FOR VICTIMS OF IRS TAX-RELATED IDENTITY THEFT:

If you are a victim of IRS tax-related identity theft, you are unable to use Option 1 or Option 2. The student (and, if married, your spouse) can provide an alternative paper tax return transcript known as the TRDBV (Transcript DataBase View). To obtain an alternative tax return transcript, call the IRS at 1-800-908-4490. In addition to the TRDBV or a SIGNED 2020 Federal 1040 (including all schedules), a signed and dated statement is required indicating that the tax filer was a victim of IRS tax-related identity theft and the IRS has been made aware of the tax-related identity theft.

C. Student Income Verification

- 1. **TAX RETURN FILERS** Complete this section if you, the student (and, if married, your spouse), <u>filed or will</u> <u>file</u> a 2020 income tax return with the IRS.
 - > Copies of W-2's for 2020 are also REQUIRED to be submitted to the school.
 - If you (and, if married, your spouse) filed, or will file, an <u>amended</u> 2020 IRS tax return, you must contact the Financial Aid Office before completing this section.

Check the box that applies:



I, the student (and, if married, my spouse), <u>have used</u> the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to retrieve and transfer my 2**020** IRS tax return information into my FAFSA.



I, the student (and, if married, my spouse), am <u>unable or choose not</u> to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool and I will submit to the school a **2020 IRS Tax Return Transcript** <u>or</u> a <u>SIGNED</u> **2020** Federal 1040 (Including all Schedules). 2. **INCOME INFORMATION FOR NON-FILERS** – Complete this section if you <u>have not</u> filed and <u>were not</u> <u>required</u> to file a 2020 income tax return with the IRS.

You must provide documentation from the IRS dated on or after <u>October 1, 2021</u> that indicates a 2020 IRS income tax return was not filed with the IRS-verification of non-filing letter (please see page 2 for instructions). If you are unable to obtain a verification of non-filing letter from the IRS, please contact the Financial Aid Office.

Check here if the IRS verification of non-filing letter is attached.

Check here if the IRS verification of non-filing letter will be submitted to the school at a later date.

Check the box that applies:

I, the student (and, if married, my spouse), was not required to file a 2020 Federal Tax Return because I was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2020.

I, the student (and, if married, my spouse), was not required to file a 2020 Federal Tax Return but was employed in 2020 and have listed below the names of all my employers and the amount earned from each employer in 2020. Attach copies of all 2020 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student (and, if married, my spouse), by their 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	2020 Amount Earned
Suzy's Auto Body Shop (example)	\$2,000.00(example)

D. Certification and Signature

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct. The student must sign and date this worksheet. If married, the spouse's signature is optional.

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

Student Signature

Date

Spouse Signature (optional)

Date

Submit this worksheet to the Financial Aid Office at:

Ranken Technical College 4431 Finney Avenue St. Louis, MO 63113