

2026-2027 DEPENDENT VERIFICATION FORM**DOCUMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED VIA U.S. MAIL, FAX, OR EMAIL.**

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SECTION I – STUDENT IDENTIFICATION

Your FAFSA application was selected by the government for review in a process called “verification” which is required under Federal Financial Aid Program rules. Failure to provide requested verification documents may result in not being awarded financial aid; cancellation of an existing award; or funds not applying to your account. For more information regarding the verification process, please visit www.ferris.edu/verification. If you need further assistance, please contact the Financial Aid Office.

YOU MUST COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS OF THIS DOCUMENT. INCOMPLETE DOCUMENTS WILL BE RETURNED OR REJECTED.

Student Last Name First Name M.I._____
Student ID #_____
Permanent Address (include Apt. No.)_____
Date of Birth_____
City State Zip Code_____
Phone Number (include area code)**SECTION II – TAX DOCUMENTATION**

DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS AND PARENTS WHO WORKED in 2024 or FILED a 2024 Federal Tax Return. The specific documentation required depends on whether or not the taxpayer filed a 2024 federal tax return. For detailed instructions for providing tax documentation, please visit ferris.edu/dr.

YOU MUST INDICATE THE APPROPRIATE TAX STATUS BELOW FOR BOTH THE STUDENT AND YOUR CUSTODIAL PARENT(s). If you are unsure who should be listed as your “custodial” parent(s) please visit: ferris.edu/verification, Step One, “Identifying Custodial Parent.”

Select only one option per column.

Student Parent(s)

Filed a 2024 federal tax return and has/will complete IRS Data Retrieval or will submit tax return transcripts or **signed** copies of federal 1040 tax return(s). For instructions on how to complete the Data Retrieval Tool visit: ferris.edu/DR

Worked in 2024 but not required to file a federal tax return. Parent(s) **must submit copies of all 2024 W2(s). Parent(s) must also submit a letter of non-filing from the IRS for 2024 if they did not work or file a federal return.** For instructions visit ferris.edu/IRS

Did NOT work in 2024, was not required to and did not file a 2024 federal tax return. **Parent(s) must also submit a letter of non-filing from the IRS.** For instructions visit ferris.edu/IRS

If your custodial parents filed separate federal returns, you must provide tax returns/transcripts/Non-filing letters for each of them.

SECTION III – FAMILY INFORMATION July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

Enter your (student's) name and age in this section:

| Student's Name | Age | Relationship to Student | Name of College |
|----------------|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | SELF | Ferris State University |

Enter your custodial parent's name(s) and age(s) in this section

| Custodial Parent(s)/stepparent | Age(s) | Relationship to Student |
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Enter the names, ages, and relationship to you (student), of your custodial parent's ** legal dependents.

****Note: Legal dependents include people that your custodial parent(s) will provide more than 50% of the support for between July 1, 2026–June 30, 2027. Do not list yourself or your parent(s) in this section.**

| Legal Dependent's Name (do NOT include yourself (student) or your parents) | Age | Relationship to Student | |
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SECTION IV– CERTIFICATION

By signing this form, I certify that all the above information is complete and correct. Student and parent(s) must sign this form in ink. **Electronic or typed signatures are NOT acceptable.**

Student Date

Parent 1 Date