



INDEPENDENT STUDENT VERIFICATION WORKSHEET

Academic year 2026-2027

Your 2026-2027 FAFSA was selected for federal verification and/or Rider University identified conflicting information and must compare certain FAFSA information with this worksheet and other required documents. If information differs, Rider University may submit corrections to your FAFSA. Complete all sections that apply to you and your spouse, if applicable.

For V5 students: This worksheet verifies the V1 income and family-size items. Rider University will provide separate instructions for completing the required identity verification.

WHAT DOCUMENTS DO I NEED TO SUBMIT?

Submit this completed worksheet and the documents that apply to your situation:

- ☐ Your 2024 W-2 forms or equivalent wage statements, if you did not file and were not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return but worked or earned income in 2024
- ☐ Your spouse's 2024 W-2 forms or equivalent wage statements, if applicable, and if your spouse did not file and was not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return but worked or earned income in 2024
- ☐ Additional tax documentation: If tax information could not be obtained or used through the FAFSA Direct Data Exchange (FA-DDX), Rider University may request an IRS Tax Return Transcript, signed federal income tax return with applicable schedules, or other acceptable documentation

Do not submit documents that do not apply to you. Rider University may request additional documentation if needed to complete verification.

A. STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)	Bronc ID
Address	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)
City, State, ZIP	Phone Number

B. FAMILY SIZE

List each person included in the student family size reported for the 2026-2027 FAFSA. Include the student. Provide each person's name, age, and relationship to the student.

Include: the student; the student's spouse, if applicable; dependent children who live with the student (or live apart because of college enrollment) and receive more than half their support from the student; and other people who live with the student and receive more than half their support from the student. Support for children and other people must continue during the 2026-2027 award year. Do not include unborn children.

Name of Family Member	Age	Relationship to Student
Student		Self

If more space is needed, attach a separate page with the student's name and Bronc ID.

C. STUDENT 2024 INCOME AND TAX INFORMATION

Select ONE filing status below, then complete only the part that applies.

- ☐ I filed or will file a 2024 federal income tax return. Do not complete or sign Part A.
- ☐ I did not file and was not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return. Complete Part A below.

Federal tax information transferred directly from the IRS to the FAFSA through the FA-DDX is considered verified for federal verification purposes. If federal tax information was not available from the IRS or could not be used, Rider University may also request an IRS Tax Return Transcript or a signed copy of the 2024 federal income tax return and applicable schedules.

STOP

If you filed or will file a 2024 federal income tax return, do not complete or sign Part A.

PART A - NONFILERS

COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS PART ONLY if the student did not file and was not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return.

- ☐ I was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2024.
- ☐ I was employed or had income earned from work in 2024. List every employer/source below and attach each 2024 W-2 or equivalent document received.

Employer / Source of Income	W-2 or Equivalent Attached?	2024 Amount
Example: ABC Auto Body Shop	Yes	\$4,500
Total Income Earned From Work		\$

Other income or resources that supported me during 2024 (source and amount):

NONFILER CERTIFICATION - SIGN ONLY IF PART A APPLIES

I certify that I did not file, will not file, and was not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return. I have reported my 2024 earnings, other income, and resources above and provided all applicable W-2 forms or equivalent documents.

☐ If applicable, I certify that I do not have an SSN, ITIN, or EIN.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

D. SPOUSE 2024 INCOME AND TAX INFORMATION

Complete this section only if you are married and spouse information applies to your 2026-2027 FAFSA.

☐ My current spouse and I filed a joint 2024 federal income tax return. If checked, skip the rest of Section D.

If you did not file jointly with your current spouse, select ONE status below.

☐ My spouse filed or will file a 2024 federal income tax return.

☐ My spouse did not file and was not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return. Complete Part A only.

Federal tax information transferred from the IRS to the FAFSA through the FA-DDX is considered verified for federal verification purposes. If federal tax information was unavailable from the IRS or could not be used, Rider University may also request an IRS Tax Return Transcript or a signed 2024 federal income tax return with applicable schedules.

STOP

If your spouse filed or will file a 2024 federal income tax return, do not complete or sign Part A.

PART A - SPOUSE NONFILER

COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS PART ONLY if the spouse did not file and was not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return.

☐ My spouse was not employed and had no income earned from work in 2024.

☐ My spouse was employed or had income earned from work in 2024. List every employer/source below and attach each 2024 W-2 or equivalent document received.

Employer / Source of Income	W-2 or Equivalent Attached?	2024 Amount
Example: ABC Auto Body Shop	Yes	\$4,500
Total Income Earned From Work		\$

Other income or resources that supported my spouse during 2024 (source and amount):

SPOUSE NONFILER CERTIFICATION - SIGN ONLY IF PART A APPLIES

I certify that I did not file, will not file, and was not required to file a 2024 federal income tax return. I reported my 2024 earnings, other income, and resources above and provided all applicable W-2 forms or equivalent documents.

☐ If applicable, I certify that I do not have an SSN, ITIN, or EIN.

Spouse Signature: _____ Date: _____

E. CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURES

Each person signing below certifies that all verification documents submitted with this worksheet are complete and correct. The student must sign and date this section. The student's spouse must also sign if spouse information is included on this worksheet.

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.

Student Signature (Required): _____ **Date:** _____

Spouse Signature (if applicable): _____ **Date:** _____

F. SUBMITTING YOUR DOCUMENTS

Submit this completed worksheet and all required supporting documents through the One Stop Documents Upload in your myRider portal:

1. Log in to [myRider](#) and open Student Finance.
2. Select One Stop Documents Upload.
3. Choose the file(s) you want to submit. Add additional files as needed.
4. Upload all files and retain the confirmation message for your records.

IMPORTANT

Write the student's name and Bronc ID on any supporting tax documents before uploading them so Rider University can match the documents to the correct student. Incomplete forms or missing documentation may delay verification and the determination of federal student aid eligibility.

Questions? Contact the One Stop by phone at 609-896-5360 or email at finaid@rider.edu