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## 2025-2026 Verification of Family Size Independent Student

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_\_

Student ID#

Family Size - Includes the following:

- > The student.
- > The student's spouse, if applicable
- > The student's dependent children if the following is true:
  - They live with the student's (or live apart because of college enrollment),
  - They receive more than half of their support from the student; and
  - They will continue to receive more than half their support from the student during the award year.
- > Other persons if the following are true:
  - They live with the student,
  - They receive more than half of their support from the student; and
  - They will continue to receive more than half their support from the student's parents during the award year.

The provided criteria for "dependent children" or "other persons" align with the requirement that family size align with whom the parent could claim as a dependent on a U.S. tax return if the parent were to file a U.S. tax return at the time of completing the 2025-2026 FAFSA. As a result, the parent should not include any unborn children in the family size.

If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student's name and ID# at the top.

Full Name	Age	Relationship
Missy Jones (example)	18	Self

## **Certification and Signature**

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct.

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

Student's Signature (Required)

Date

Date