



2018/19 Parent Marital & Tax Filing Status

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Student Name: _____ Vol State ID#: _____

Your FAFSA was flagged for inconsistencies between your reported parental marital status and the parental tax filing status. To resolve this inconsistency, your parent(s) must complete this form. **If the tax filing status is incorrect, the tax return must be amended and documentation of the amendment submitted before the Verification process can be completed and any aid awarded.** If your parent was married at the time the FAFSA was filed and the spouse's information was not reported on the FAFSA then the FAFSA must be corrected to include the missing spouse's information. A copy of both the parent and spouse's IRS Tax Return Transcripts must be submitted. **Stepparent information is required if your parent was married at the time the FAFSA was filed.**

Section 1: Parent Marital Status

Please check the appropriate marital status below as of the date the FAFSA was submitted. Additional information/documentation may be requested to validate the information reported below.

- _____ I am single (never been married)
- _____ I am married/remarried. Please indicate your date of marriage here _____
- _____ I am separated. Please indicate your date of separation here _____
- _____ I am divorced. Please indicate the date of divorce here _____
- _____ I am widowed (not remarried) Please indicate the date of your spouse's death _____

Section 2: Parent's 2016 Tax Filing Status

What was the parents and the spouses (if applicable) 2016 tax filing status? Please mark your selection on the lines below.

Parent's 2016 Filing Status

- _____ Single
- _____ Head of Household
- _____ Married – filed joint return
- _____ Married – filed separate return
- _____ Qualifying widow or Widower

Parents Spouse's 2016 Tax Filing Status

- _____ Single
- _____ Head of Household
- _____ Married – filed joint return
- _____ Married – filed separate return
- _____ Qualifying widow or widower

Section 3: Explanation of the Tax Filing Status

Please submit a signed statement detailing why your current marital status and your 2016 tax filing status is conflicting. For example: The Department of Education, through the federal regulations, has advised Financial Aid Administrators to closely examine head of household tax filers who have reported they are married on the FAFSA. You may be required to provide documentation to verify you filed your taxes correctly. Further documentation may be required of you.

Section 4: Certification

By signing this form on the line provided below I certify that the above information is correct. If I purposely give false or misleading information, I may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

Parent (Printed Name): _____

Parent (Signature): _____ Date: _____

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