



## 2026–27 Independent Student Verification Worksheet

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Luther ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your 2026–27 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called verification. The law says that before awarding Federal Student Aid, we may ask you to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, the Financial Aid Office at Luther College will compare your FAFSA with the information on this worksheet and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. You and spouse (if applicable) must complete and sign this worksheet, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to the Luther College Financial Aid Office.

### **Part A: Family Size – Includes the Following**

- You, the student.
- Your spouse, if applicable.
- Your dependent children if the following are true:
  - They live with you (or live apart because of college enrollment),
  - They receive more than half of their support from you, AND
  - They will continue to receive more than half their support from you during the 2026-27 award year.
- Other persons if the following are true:
  - They live with you,
  - They receive more than half of their support from you, AND
  - They will continue to receive more than half their support from you during the 2026-27 award year.

The provided criteria for “dependent children” or “other persons” mirror with the requirement that family size align with whom the student could claim as a dependent on a U.S. tax return if the student were to file a U.S tax return at the time of completing the 2026-27 FAFSA. As a result, the student should not include any unborn children in the family size.

### **Family Size – List Everyone in Your Family in The Table Below**

Full Name	Age	Relationship	Name of College* (If Attending)	Undergraduate or Graduate?	Will be Enrolled at Least Half Time?
		Self			

**\*College:** Include the name of the college for any household member, **excluding parents**, who will be enrolled at least half-time in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at an eligible post-secondary institution any time between July 1, 2026 and June 30, 2027.

**\*\*PLEASE COMPLETE ALL ITEMS ON PAGE 2\*\***

## **Part B: Student's and, if Married, Your Spouse's 2024 Income**

**Was your tax data directly transferred from the IRS into your FAFSA? Please check one box ONLY.**

- Yes, my tax data was directly transferred from the IRS into my FAFSA.
- No, my tax data was not directly transferred from the IRS into my FAFSA. I am attaching a copy of my 2024 IRS Tax Return Transcript, or a signed copy of my 2024 Federal Tax Return and applicable schedules (Schedules 1-3).
  - **NOTE:** If married and filing separate returns a tax return transcript or a signed tax return is required for both the student and the spouse.
- No, my tax data was not directly transferred from the IRS into my FAFSA and I did not file a 2024 IRS Tax Return but worked in 2024, attached are copies of all 2024 W-2 forms for each employer.
- No, I did not file a 2024 Federal Tax Return. Please provide me with the Independent Non-tax Filers form to fill out and return to your office.

## **Part C: Certification**

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct. The student and spouse (if applicable), whose information was reported on the FAFSA, must sign and date. **FEDERAL WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.**

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Student Signature

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Date

**(must be handwritten, not typed or electronic)**

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Spouse Signature (if applicable)

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Date

**(must be handwritten, not typed or electronic)**

**Do not mail this worksheet to the U.S. Department of Education.  
Submit this worksheet to the Luther College Financial Aid Office.**

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FAX: 563.387.2241 or EMAIL: [finaid@luther.edu](mailto:finaid@luther.edu) or US MAIL: 700 College Drive, Decorah, IA 52101-1045

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