

2025-2026 Parent Marital Status Worksheet

Student Information:	
Name:	RIC ID:

Email:

Phone:

This form is required for completion of your financial aid file. Your 2025-2026 FAFSA has been identified by the U.S. Department of Education for potentially conflicting information between your parents' marital status and their federal tax filing status. Please complete the form and return it to the Financial Aid Office. We will use the information provided to verify the accuracy of this data and resolve any conflicting information.

Please select a marital status from column 1 and a tax filing status from the *same row in column 2*.

1. Parents' Marital Status as of the date you completed the 2025-2026 FAFSA	2. Parents' Tax Filing Status as Stated on Their 2023 Federal Tax Return
Single or Unmarried	SingleHead of HouseholdOther*
	(Please specify):
Married or Remarried	Married Filing Joint Return
	Married Filing Separate Return (Must report both parents' income on the FAFSA)
Date of Marriage:	Head of Household <u>**Special circumstances</u> only, please continue to page 2 of this form if this filing status is selected**
	Other* (Please specify):
Divorced or Separated	SingleHead of Household
Date of Divorce or Separation:	Other* (Please specify):
Widowed	Single
	Married Filing Joint Return (Additional documents may be required)
	Head of Household
Date Widowed:	Qualifying Surviving Spouse <u>By checking this</u> box, you/your parent certify that your parent
	is a qualifying surviving spouse and have provided only the surviving parent's income on the FAFSA
	Other* (Please specify):
*If your parent answered "Other" to any of the tax filing statuses above, there may be conflicting information that requires resolution. Please specify what your parent's tax filing status was and attach a parent's letter explaining why your parent was allowed to use that filing status given your parent's marital status. Please provide a letter of	

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explanation from your parent's tax preparer or the IRS, or IRS publications, if available.