

2022-23 Verification of Student/Parent Marital Status**Student Name:** _____**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT OR PARENT:**

To comply with federal regulations, SAU Tech is required to verify information reported on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). We have received conflicting information regarding your marital status. There are inconsistencies between your marital status, the tax filing status and/or other available documentation/resources. The Department of Education flagged your FAFSA and has indicated that the IRS Data Retrieval Tool previously used is no longer valid. Please complete the questions below to confirm your marital status. We also need a copy of your 2020 Federal taxes. Federal regulations require that institutions verify the accuracy of this data and resolve any conflicting information. Complete and submit this form to verify your marital status and marital status date. Additional clarification and/or documentation may be required to resolve the potentially conflicting information.

NOTE FOR INDEPENDENT STUDENT: It is requesting your current marital status on the date that you signed the FAFSA. Our past experience indicates this question can be confusing to some, causing them to answer incorrectly in error.

NOTE FOR DEPENDENT STUDENT PARENT: The requested marital status / marital status date is not specifically requesting the marital status of you and your child's parent. It is requesting your current marital status on the date that you signed the FAFSA. Our past experience indicates this question can be confusing to parents, causing them to answer incorrectly in error.

Student Name: _____**Parent's Name (if required):** _____

Choose the answer that best describes your marital status on the day the student completed the initial 2023-24 FAFSA.

☐ Married: If married, please complete the section below:

Spouse's Name: _____

Marriage Date: _____

☐ Separated. If separated, please complete the section below:

Spouse's Name: _____

Separation Date: _____

Spouse's address as of the date the student completed the 2023-24 FAFSA.

Is this a legal separation?

☐ Yes - submit the legal separation document from the court

☐ No - submit documentation of your two separate households as of the date the FAFSA was signed

☐ Divorced. If divorced, please complete the section below:

Ex-Spouse's Name: _____

Divorce Date: _____

You must submit a copy of the first and last page of your final divorce decree.

Is your ex-spouse the student's legal or adoptive parent? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Ex-spouse's address as of the date the student completed the 2023-24 FAFSA.

Prior to the divorce being finalized, did you and your ex-spouse maintain separate residences?

☐ Yes. Separation Date: _____

☐ No

☐ Widowed. If widowed, please complete the section below:

Spouse's Date of Death: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

☐ Single/Never Married. By checking this box, I am confirming that I have never been married to anyone.

Required Signatures:

By signing below, I/we verify that all information reported on this form is complete and correct.

We understand that additional information may be requested by the SAU Tech Financial Aid Office and failure to provide information will cause processing delays.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

(Required if student is required to include parent information)

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

(Required)

Warning: If you purposely give false or misleading information and/or fraudulently sign this form, you may be fined up to \$20,000, sent to prison, or both.