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VERIFICATION

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OBJECTIVES

- What is verification?
- Why do we do it?
- Requirements
- Exclusions
- Student impacts
- Resources




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VERIFICATION DEFINED


Verification is the confirmation, through documentation, that the information provided on a student's Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is correct.

“Because students sometimes make errors on their application.” – FSA Handbook, AVG, Ch. 4, p. 77




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WHY ME?!



- Randomness
- Incomplete information
- Estimated or inconsistent information




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VERIFICATION

- Check the accuracy of the FAFSA
- Reduce errors
- Insure that eligible applicants receive the correct amount of aid

Federal Pell Grant	Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)	Federal Work-Study (FWS)	Federal Perkins Loan	Direct Subsidized Loans
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CONFLICTING INFORMATION

Must be resolved unless:

- Student dies during the award year
- Conflicting data are received after the student is no longer enrolled at the school and does not intend to re-enroll



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DOCUMENTS


- Verification Worksheet
- Tax Documents
- Statement of Educational Purpose
- Proof of Identity
- Other

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SELECTION PROCESS


Central Processing System
(CPS)

The Institution




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- V6
- SNAP
- Child support Paid



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TRACKING GROUPS


V1	Standard Verification Group
V4	Custom Verification Group
V5	Custom Verification Group



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V1


- Tax filer income information
- Nontax filer income information
- Household size
- Number in college



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V4


- High school completion
- Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose



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V5

- Tax filer income information
- Nontax filer income information
- Household size
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EXCLUSIONS FOR STUDENT DATA

- Only eligible for unsubsidized Title IV aid
- Verified by another school
- Will not receive aid for reason(s) other than failing to complete verification
- Selected or changes groups after ceasing enrollment and all aid is already paid
- Dies during the award year



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EXCLUSIONS FOR PARENT AND SPOUSE

PARENTAL DATA

- Both parents, or only parent on FAFSA die
- Both, or only parent on FAFSA, are mentally incapacitated
- Cannot be contacted and whereabouts unknown
- Reside in a country other than the US and cannot be contacted by normal means of communication

SPOUSE DATA

- Deceased or mentally incapacitated
- Cannot be located because contact information is unknown and cannot be obtained by the applicant
- Is residing in a country other than the U.S. and cannot be contacted by normal means of communication



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OTHER EXCLUSIONS


CERTAIN DATA

- Dependent Student Household
 - Parents are married and household size is 3
 - Parent is unmarried and household size is 2
- Independent Student Household
 - Student is married and household size is 2
 - Student is unmarried and household size is 1

INSTITUTION

- Institution excluded (exempt) if a foreign school participating in Direct Student Loan program and not located in a state

NOTE: Quality Assurance (QA) schools are no longer exempt from federal verification after 2016-17




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EXCEPTIONS TO THE EXCLUSIONS

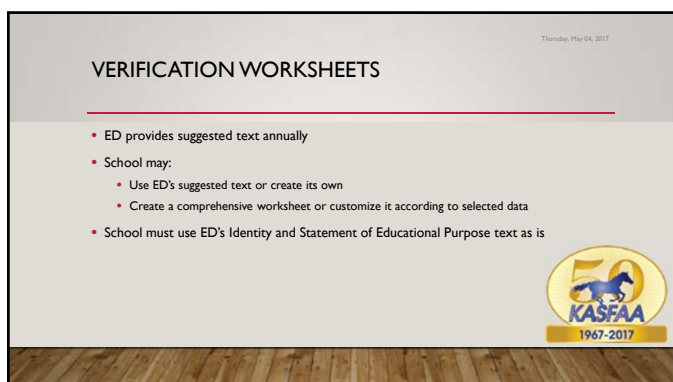
High School Completion

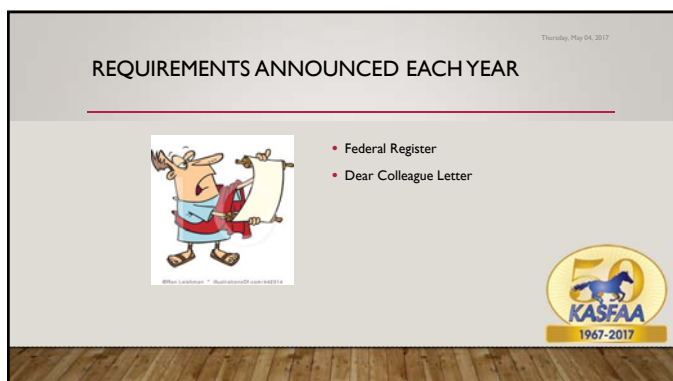
Identity

Statement of Educational Purpose









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HOT OFF THE PRESS





- DRT and Tax Return Transcript Requirements
- Verification of Non-Filing Requirements



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STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW

- Deadlines
- Extension policies
- Communication
- Changes in status
 - Selection
 - EFC



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