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2020-2021 Verification of Student Assets Information Form

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| Last Name | First Name | Middle Name | Student VIP ID |

This form is to be completed by the student to verify information reported on the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA). As of the date the FAFSA is signed, it is considered a “snapshot” of the family’s information. Only in certain circumstances and only for certain items can the family or a financial aid administrator update the FAFSA. Asset information gathered in questions 41, 42 and 43 cannot be updated after the FAFSA is first submitted.

Our records indicate that you have recently made a change to “student assets” information on the FAFSA. This happens when one or more of the following FAFSA questions are changed:

- Q41:** As of today, what is your (and spouse’s if married) total current balance of cash, savings and checking accounts?
- Q42:** As of today, what is the net worth of your (and spouse’s if married) investments, including real estate? **Don’t include** the home in which parents live. Net worth means current value minus debt.*
- Q43:** As of today, what is the net worth of your (and spouse’s if married) current businesses and/or investment farms? **Don’t include** a family farm or family business with 100 or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees.*

***Please see 2nd page for more information on these questions.**

Please check the box which most accurately describes the reason for the adjustment to one or more of the above asset questions.

Update: I adjusted numbers in one or more of the above questions to reflect updated numbers as of the date I made a correction to my student’s FAFSA. Examples include assets being used for educational expenses, fluctuations in investment value or withdrawing/spending money from bank accounts. Please provide more information about the update(s):

Correction: I adjusted numbers in one or more of the above questions because the original amounts were misreported. Examples include removing your primary residence, removing retirement accounts or correcting a mistyped figure. Please provide more information about the specific correction(s):

If the change in assets was a correction, please attach supporting documentation showing the correct amounts as of the original date the FAFSA was completed. Examples including bank account statements, retirement account summaries or a home appraisal letter.

By signing this document, I certify that all the information reported on it is true and accurate. If I purposely give false or misleading information on this document, it will be cause for denial or repayment of financial aid and I may also be fined, sentenced to jail, or both.

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| Student’s Signature | Date |
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| *Parent’s Signature (Required, if dependent) | Date |

Additional Notes regarding questions 42 and 43:

Net worth means current value minus debt. If net worth is negative, enter 0.

Investments include real estate (do not include the home you live in), trust funds, UGMA and UTMA accounts, money market funds, mutual funds, certificates of deposit, stocks, stock options, bonds, other securities, installment and land sale contracts (including mortgages held), commodities, etc.

Investments also include qualified educational benefits or education savings accounts (e.g., Coverdell savings accounts, 529 college savings plans and the refund value of 529 prepaid tuition plans). For a student who does not report parental information, the accounts owned by the student (and/or the student's spouse) are reported as student investments in question 41. For a student who must report parental information, the accounts are reported as parental investments in question 89, including all accounts owned by the student and all accounts owned by the parents for any member of the household.

Investments do not include the home you live in, the value of life insurance, retirement plans (401[k] plans, pension funds, annuities, non-education IRAs, Keogh plans, etc.) or cash, savings and checking accounts already reported in questions 40 and 88.

Investments also do not include UGMA and UTMA accounts for which you are the custodian, but not the owner.

Investment value means the current balance or market value of these investments as of today. Investment debt means only those debts that are related to the investments.

Business and/or investment farm value includes the market value of land, buildings, machinery, equipment, inventory, etc. Business and/or investment farm debt means only those debts for which the business or investment farm was used as collateral.

Business value does not include the value of a small business if your family owns and controls more than 50 percent of the business and the business has 100 or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees. For small business value, your family includes (1) persons directly related to you, such as a parent, sister or cousin, or (2) persons who are or were related to you by marriage, such as a spouse, stepparent or sister-in-law.

Investment farm value does not include the value of a family farm that you (your spouse and/or your parents) live on and operate.