

**2023-2024 Verification of Parent
2021 Employment and Wage Status**

Student Name: _____ RAM ID: _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

Complete and return this form to the Financial Aid Office only if your parent(s) did not file a 2021 federal income tax return and were not required to file a federal income tax return according to the IRS guidelines (see reverse side). Do not complete this form if they plan to file or if they are required to file a federal income tax return for 2021.

Check **all** below that apply:

I/We (parent 1/parent 2) did not work during 2021 and did not file a federal tax return for 2021. I/We attempted to obtain a verification of non-filing letter from the IRS and was unable to do so.

I/We (parent 1/parent 2) worked, but did not file a federal income tax return for 2021. I/We earned \$_____ in 2021 and already submitted or _____am attaching a copy of my/our 2021 W-2(s).

I/We (parent 1/parent 2) do not have a social security number, an individual taxpayer identification number, or an employer identification number and _____am attaching a signed statement listing the sources, amounts of earnings and other income received in 2021.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent 1's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent 2's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Who Must File a Return?

Whether you must file a return depends on your ***gross income, filing status, and age.***

Gross Income

Gross income includes all income that you receive in the form of money, goods, property, and services. It does not include any income that is tax-exempt.

Filing Status

Your filing status is determined on the last day of the tax year, which is December 31 for calendar year taxpayers. Your filing status will be determined by whether you are single or married, and what your family situation is.

(Please see reverse side)

Age

If you are age 65 or older on the last day of the tax year, you are allowed a higher amount of gross income before you are required to file a return. The table below lists the income limit amounts for the 2021 tax year.

If your filing status is ...	and at the end of the year you were ...*	you must file if your gross income is at least ...**
Single	under 65	\$12,550
	65 or older	\$14,250
Married Filing Jointly***	under 65 (both spouses)	\$25,100
	65 or older (one spouse)	\$26,450
	65 or older (both spouses)	\$27,800
Married Filing Separately	any age	\$5.00
Head of Household	under 65	\$18,800
	65 or older	\$20,500
Qualifying Widow(er) with Dependent Child	under 65	\$25,100
	65 or older	\$26,450

* If you turn 65 on January 1, 2022, you are considered to be age 65 at the end of 2021.

** Gross income means all income you received in the form of money, goods, property, and services that is not exempt from tax, including any income from sources outside the United States (even if you may exclude part or all of it). Do not include Social Security benefits unless you are married filing a separate return and you lived with your spouse at any time during 2021.

*** If you did not live with your spouse at the end of 2021 (or on the date your spouse died) and your gross income was at least \$5.00, you must file a return regardless of your age.