



Request for Recalculation Due to Income Reduction 2025-2026: Special Circumstance

Student Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Complete this form if your, your spouse's, or your parents' financial situation has changed significantly from the information you entered on the FAFSA for the 2025-2026 school year.

Before we will consider an income reduction, we must verify that the information originally submitted on the FAFSA is correct. If you have not already completed the verification process, you may be asked for additional documentation.

STEP 1 – Reason for Appeal: There are five conditions under which recalculations will be considered. Check the appropriate condition that applies to you and your family and submit the required documents.

- Loss of Job/Decrease in Income:** You, your spouse or your parents lost a job or are no longer employed full-time. You must submit a signed statement indicating the circumstances and include either a copy of the unemployment benefits statement, the letter of termination, or a signed statement indicating loss of job on company letterhead from the former company. Please include the dates of job loss or switching to part time in your signed statement.
- Loss of Untaxed Income:** You, your spouse or your parents received some form of untaxed income or benefit and has partially or completely lost that income or benefit. Attach a signed statement explaining the benefit and circumstances.
- Loss of Taxable Income:** You, your spouse or your parents received other taxable income such as unemployment, retirement, etc. and has completely lost that income or benefit. Attach a signed statement explaining the benefit and circumstances.
- Death of Spouse or Parent:** Your spouse or parent for whom income was submitted on the FAFSA has died. *Please submit a copy of the death certificate.*
- Unusual/Unreimbursed Medical Expenses:** You, your spouse or your parents paid unusual medical/dental expenses (over \$2,000 out-of-pocket and not reimbursed by insurance) in 2023 or 2024. Attach a detailed explanation, listing the expenses paid in either 2023 or 2024, and documentation to show expense. (A year-end statement from your health insurance company is ideal documentation.)

STEP 2 – Which Calendar Year’s Income Do You Wish to Be Considered?

Only one request for consideration of reduced income -- based on either 2024 or 2025 -- will be processed for 2025-2026. Please check the request you are making:

I am requesting that WCC Financial Aid staff recalculate my FAFSA results using 2024 completed tax information. I am submitting my 2024 IRS tax return transcripts (and spouse’s if applicable) or my 2024 IRS tax return transcripts for me and my parents if parental information is required on the 2025-2026 FAFSA.

I am requesting that WCC Financial Aid staff recalculate my FAFSA results using 2025 estimated tax information. I understand that WCC will not project 2025 income until after July 1, 2025, and only up until January 1, 2026 (after , the option below must be selected). I will submit:

- Copies of most recent/last 2025 pay stubs for all jobs worked (must include year-to-date earnings)
- Copies of spouse’s most recent/last 2025 pay stubs for all jobs worked (must include year-to-date earnings), if applicable
- Copies of each parent’s most recent/last 2025 pay stubs for all jobs worked (must include year-to-date earnings) for each parent whose information is required to complete the FAFSA.
- As of date of submission, documentation of all untaxed income earned by me, my spouse, if applicable, and my parents, if parental information required on the FAFSA
- From date of submission through the end of 2025, a list of all anticipated earned and untaxed income for all required family members is listed above.

I am requesting income recalculation after January 1, 2026. I will submit my 2025 IRS tax return transcripts (and my spouse’s if applicable) or 2025 IRS tax return transcripts for me and my parents, if parental information is required on the FAFSA, plus documentation of all untaxed income. If taxes have not been filed, please submit W2s for 2025.

Income reduction appeals that do not have proper supporting documentation will not be reviewed and will be declined. You, your spouse, or your parents might be required to provide additional information and documentation that will support your request for recalculation due to income reduction. All the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Parent (if parental information on FAFSA)

Date