# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER
# FAFSA PRE-APPLICATION WORKSHEET

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MIDLANDS TECHNICAL COLLEGE

## STUDENT DEPENDENCY STATUS

If you can check any of the following boxes, you are an independent student and will not have to provide parental information.
If you cannot check any of the following boxes, you are a dependent student and will be asked to provide parental information for your financial aid application.
If you are a dependent student, please complete the information on the back page and bring all income documentation as listed to your appointment.

- ☐ I was born before January 1, 1996? (if completing the 2019-2020 FAFSA)
- ☐ I was born before January 1, 1997? (if completing the 2020-2021 FAFSA)
- ☐ I am serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training
- ☐ Since I turned age 13, both of my parents were deceased
- ☐ I am married (regardless of gender – considered legally married in the state or other jurisdiction in which the marriage took place)
- ☐ I am a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces
- ☐ I was in foster care or a dependent or ward of the court since turning age 13
- ☐ I am currently or I was an emancipated minor
- ☐ I will be working on a master's or doctoral program (e.g. MA, MBA, MD, JD, PHD, EdD, graduate certificate)
- ☐ I have or will have children that I will provide more than half of their support (other than support from parents) during the academic year (July 1 - June 30)
- ☐ I have dependents (other than children or my spouse) who lives with me and I will provide more than half of their support during the academic year (July 1 - June 30)
- ☐ I am currently or I was in legal guardianship (court appointed to someone other than parents)
- ☐ I am homeless or I am at risk of being homeless
- ☐ I have a special circumstance with approved documentation from the Financial Aid

## PARENT INFORMATION

**Who is considered a parent?** "Parent" refers to the dependent student's biological or adoptive parent. Grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians, older siblings, uncles, and aunts are **NOT** considered parents on this form unless they have legally adopted you. Parents are considered married, regardless of gender, if the parents are considered legally married in the state or other jurisdiction in which the marriage took place (where the parent currently lives does not affect whether the marriage is recognized as legal). You must provide required information for **BOTH** parents if they meet **any** of the following criteria: **a)** your parents are married, **b)** your parent has married or remarried (provide information for your parent and his/her spouse), **c)** your parents are unmarried but **living together**, **d)** your parents are separated but **living together**, or **e)** your parents are divorced but **living together**. If your parents are unmarried, divorced, or separated **and do not live together,** provide information for the parent with whom you lived more during the past 12 months. If you lived the same amount of time with each parent, provide information for the parent who provided more financial support during the past 12 months or during the most recent 12 months that you actually received support from a parent. The U.S. Department of Education requires dependent students to provide parental information if they want to be considered for all federal aid programs. For more information, visit www.studentaid.ed.gov.

In general, being self-sufficient, paying your own expenses, not living with your parents, or your parent(s)' refusal to provide their information, does not automatically make you an independent student. If you think you have special circumstances, please contact the financial aid office for more information.

Please note that federal student aid is awarded each academic year (July 1 – June 30). For example, the 2019-20 FAFSA will allow you to apply for aid to be used July 1, 2019 – June 30 2020. The 2020-21 FAFSA will allow you to apply for aid to be used July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021.

Participant Name_____ Participant Date of Birth_____/_____/_____Participant Social Security Number _____ – _____ – _____

## REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR PARENT/STEP-PARENT 1

Legal First and Last Name _____
Parent/Step-Parent 1 First and Last Name

Social Security Number_____–_____–_____
Social Security Number

Date of Birth_____/_____/_____
Date of birth

☐ Check if parent/step-parent is currently a dislocated worker

Have your parent(s) completed a **2017** IRS tax return or other tax document? (check one)

Total Wages, Salary, Tips $_____ ☐ Already filed ☐ Will file ☐ Will not file

Have your parent(s) completed a **2018** IRS tax return or other tax document? (check one)

Total Wages, Salary, Tips $_____ ☐ Already filed ☐ Will file ☐ Will not file

## REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR PARENT/STEP-PARENT 2

Legal First and Last Name _____
Parent/Step-Parent 2 First and Last Name

Social Security Number_____–_____–_____
Social security number

Date of Birth_____/_____/_____
Date of birth

☐ Check if parent/step-parents currently a dislocated worker

Have your parent(s) completed a **2017** IRS tax return or other tax document? (check one)

Total Wages, Salary, Tips $_____ ☐ Already filed ☐ Will file ☐ Will not file

Have your parent(s) completed a **2018** IRS tax return or other tax document? (check one)

Total Wages, Salary, Tips $_____ ☐ Already filed ☐ Will file ☐ Will not file

## FAFSA SPECIFIC QUESTIONS FOR PARENTS

As of today, what is your parents' marital status? (check one)

☐ Never Married ☐ Married/Remarried ☐ Divorced ☐ Separated ☐ Widowed

Month and year your parents were married, separated, divorced, widowed, or remarried?____/ ____

Check if anyone in the household received any of the following benefits in ☐ 2017, or ☐ 2018 (check years):

☐ Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
☐ Medicade
☐ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
☐ Family Independence (FI)
☐ Free or Reduced Priced School Lunch
☐ Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)

Note: Food stamps and/or TANF may have a different name in your state

## PARENT INCOME (COMBINE IF MARRIED)

As of today, what is your parents' total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts? $_____

As of today, what is the net worth of your parents' investments, including real estate? Don't include the home in which your parents live or retirement funds. Net worth means current value minus debt. $_____

As of today, what is the net worth of your parents' 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. $ _____

☐ American Opportunity, Hope or Lifetime Learning tax credits $_____
☐ Child support paid $_____
☐ Taxable earnings from work-study, assistantships or fellowships $_____
☐ Taxable grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS $_____
☐ Combat pay or special combat pay $_____
☐ Cooperative education program earnings $_____
☐ Payments to tax-deferred pension and savings plan $_____
☐ Child support received $_____
☐ IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE and Keogh $_____
☐ Tax exempt interest income $_____
☐ Untaxed portions of IRA distributions $_____
☐ Untaxed portions of Pension distributions $_____

☐ Housing, food and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy, etc. $_____
☐ Veterans non-education benefits $_____
☐ Other untaxed income not reported, such as workers' compensation or disability $_____