FAFSA Submission Summary

What is a FAFSA Submission Summary?

The FAFSA Submission Summary provides high-level estimates of your eligibility for federal student aid, including your Student Aid Index (SAI) number. The submission summary also lists your answers to the questions on your FAFSA and if you were selected for verification.

Reminder: your submission summary is not a financial aid offer. A financial aid offer tells you exactly what financial aid you're eligible to receive at a particular college or university. Most schools will wait to send you an aid offer only after they accept you for admission.

Typically, you will be able to access your FAFSA Submission Summary within two weeks of filing your FAFSA.

How do I view my FAFSA Submission Summary?

If you (the student) have an FSA ID, you can view your Submission Summary by

1. logging in to your StudentAid.gov account Dashboard,
2. selecting your processed FAFSA submission from the "My Activity" section, and
3. selecting "View FAFSA Submission Summary."

Other Information about your SAR:

- You should print or save a copy of your SAR! The first page of your SAR is one of the required pieces of evidence for your PRIDE Presentation.
- *What if you didn't receive your SAR within two weeks?* Do not reapply or re submit the FAFSA. You will need to check the status of your application by clicking Log In on the FAFSA website: https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

Verification

If you were selected for Verification: You might see a note on your submission summary saying you've been selected for verification; or your college might contact you to inform you that you've been selected. Verification is the process your college uses to confirm that the data reported on your FAFSA form is accurate. If you're selected for verification, your college will request additional documentation that supports the information you reported. No need to stress, we can support you through this process.

Don’t assume you’re being accused of doing anything wrong. Some people are selected for verification at random; and some colleges verify all students' FAFSA forms. Approximately 30% of the FAFSA applications received each year are selected for verification. All you need to do is provide the documentation your college asks for—and be sure to do so by the college’s deadline, or you won’t be able to get financial aid. The sooner you respond by filling out the necessary paperwork, the sooner your financial aid award will be processed.

Next Steps if you are selected for verification:

If you did not use the Internal Revenue Service Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) and you are eligible to use it, start here**.** To access the IRS DRT, you must go back into your submitted FAFSA and select “make corrections”. You can then go to the financial information section and use the IRS DRT to have your income tax data retrieved directly from the IRS and submitted into your FAFSA. It will automatically be available to the schools you have listed on your FAFSA. If you can’t use the IRS DRT, follow the steps below.

If you already used the Internal Revenue Service Data Retrieval Tool (IRS DRT) or are ineligible to use the IRS DRT, you will need to request an IRS Tax Return Transcript or a signed copy of your income tax return as part of the verification process. You can find your tax transcript through the IRS’s Get Transcript service at https://www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript. The college or university may also have specific instructions or required paperwork.

Questions? Please contact Ms. Olason!