

# 2020-21 TASFA

## Texas Application for State Financial Aid

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

The Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA) collects information to help determine eligibility for state (or institutional) financial aid programs administered by institutions of higher education in the state of Texas. Students classified as Texas Residents who are not eligible to apply for federal financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) are encouraged to complete the TASFA. To review the FAFSA filing requirements, visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) or visit the financial aid office at the institution you plan to attend for the 2020-21 award year. **Note:** The federal application covers federal and state financial aid opportunities. If you meet the FAFSA filing requirements, then you should submit a completed FAFSA. You do not need to complete both the FAFSA and TASFA.

The Texas state priority deadline for many institutions of higher education is **January 15, 2020** for the 2020-21 award year. It is recommended that applicants complete and submit this application and any other required documentation to the financial aid office on or before January 15.

**Note:** Texas residency and final eligibility for financial aid can only be determined by the institution that you plan to attend.

To complete this application, answer each item within the applicable sections. For clarification on specific items, refer to the **TASFA Notes on pages 6-8**. If you have further questions, contact the financial aid office at your institution.

### SECTION ONE: STUDENT INFORMATION (See Notes for questions 5-6)

1. Last Name		2. First Name		3. M.I.	
4. Date of Birth		5. Social Security Number (e.g., DACA) [ ] N/A		6. College Student ID #	
7. Permanent Mailing Address					
8. City		9. State	10. Zip Code		11. Phone Number
12. Email Address			Alternate Email:		
13. What will your high school completion status be when you begin college in the 2020-21 school year?		High school diploma General Educational Development (GED) certificate (Skip to Question 16)		Homeschooled (Skip to Question 16) None of these (Skip to Question 18)	
14. High School Name (If applicable)					
15. High School City (If applicable)		16. HS State (If applicable)	17. Date of Graduation (HS or GED)		
18. Will you have your first bachelor's degree before you begin the 2020-21 school year? [ ] Yes [ ] No					
19. What will your college grade level be when you begin the 2020-21 school year?			20. What degree or certificate will you be working on when you begin the 2020-21 school year?		
Never attended college ..... <input type="checkbox"/> (No college credits)			1st bachelor's degree ..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
1st year undergraduate ..... <input type="checkbox"/>			2nd bachelor's degree ..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
2nd year undergraduate/sophomore ..... <input type="checkbox"/>			Associate degree ..... <input type="checkbox"/> (occupational, technical, general education, or transfer program)		
3rd year undergraduate/junior ..... <input type="checkbox"/>			Certificate or diploma ..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
4th year undergraduate/senior ..... <input type="checkbox"/>			Teaching credential ..... <input type="checkbox"/> (nondegree program)		
5th year/other undergraduate ..... <input type="checkbox"/>			Graduate or professional degree ..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
1st year graduate/professional ..... <input type="checkbox"/>			Other/undecided ..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
Continuing graduate/professional or beyond ..... <input type="checkbox"/>					

**STUDENT INFORMATION CONTINUED... (See Notes for questions 24-29)**

**21. Where do you plan to live during the 2020-21 school year?**

- On-campus     Off-campus     With parent or relative

**22. At the start of the 2020-21 school year, how many credits/hours will you be enrolled in?**

- Full-time (12 hours or more)     Three-quarter time (9-11 hours)  
 Half-time (6-8 hours)     Less than half-time (5 hours or less)  
 Not sure

**23. If you are transferring schools, have you earned an Associate Degree?**

- Yes  
(Enter date you earned Associate Degree: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 No

**24. Were you born male or female?**

- Male (Must complete the following Selective Service section)  
 Female

**25. Have you been convicted of a felony or a crime involving a controlled substance?**

- Yes     No

**26. Have you previously received state Financial Aid?**

- Yes     No

**27. (A) Are you interested in being considered for the Texas College Work-Study program?**

- Yes     No     Don't know

**(B) If yes, do you have authorization to work in the U.S.?**

- Yes     No     Don't know     N/A

**28. What is your current marital status?**

- I am single     I am separated  
 I am married/remarried     I am divorced or widowed

**29. Month and year you were married, remarried, separated, divorced or widowed.** Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_  N/A

**SELECTIVE SERVICE STATEMENT OF REGISTRATION STATUS**

Male students must verify their current Selective Service registration status by marking one of the statements below and providing proof of their registration status to their current institution. Failure to do so may result in the loss of eligibility for state financial aid.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am under the age of 18 and not currently required to register.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am **REGISTERED** with the Selective Service and,

*Check the following box that applies:*

- I have already submitted proof of registration to my current institution.  
 Proof of registration is included with this application.  
 I will submit proof of my registration.

**NOTE: Proof is required to be considered eligible for financial aid.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I am **EXEMPT** from registration and,

*Check the following box that applies:*

- I have already submitted proof of my exemption to my current institution.  
 Proof of my exemption is included with this application.  
 I will submit proof of my exemption.

**NOTE: Proof is required to be considered eligible for financial aid.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I am over the age of 18. I am not registered with Selective Service and I am not exempt from registration with Selective Service.

**SECTION TWO: STUDENT DEPENDENCY STATUS DETERMINATION (See Notes for questions 30 and 35-40)**

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|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>30.</b> Were you born before January 1, 1997? .....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>31.</b> As of today, are you married? (Answer <b>Yes</b> if you are separated but not divorced.) .....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>32.</b> At the beginning of the 2020-21 school year, will you be working on a master's or doctorate program? .....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| (e.g., MA, MBA, JD, PhD, EdD, MD, graduate certificate, etc.)  |                              |                             |
| <b>33.</b> Do you now have or will you have children who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021?.....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>34.</b> Do you have dependents (other than your children or spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2021?.....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>35.</b> At any time since you turned age 13, were you in foster care, were you a dependent or ward of the court, or were both your parents deceased? (You do not have to currently be a ward of the court.).....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>36.</b> As determined by the state's court, are you or were you an emancipated minor? .....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>37.</b> As determined by the state's court, does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you?.....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>38.</b> At any time on or after July 1, 2019, did your high school or school district's homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?.....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>39.</b> At any time on or after July 1, 2019, did the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program, funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?..... | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>40.</b> At any time on or after July 1, 2019, did the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |

**SECTION THREE: PARENT INFORMATION (See Notes for questions 41-56)**

 **STOP:** If you answered “Yes” to any of the questions in **SECTION TWO**, parental information is **not** required. Proceed to **SECTION FOUR**.

If you answered “No” to all the questions in **SECTION TWO**, you must include parental information, even if you do not live with your legal parents (biological, adoptive, or as determined by the state [for example, if the parent is listed on the birth certificate]). Grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians, widowed stepparents, aunts, uncles, and siblings are **not** considered parents on this form, unless they have legally adopted you.

If your legal parents are married to each other, or are not married to each other and **live together**, answer the questions about both of them. If you are in a single-parent home (e.g., parent(s) was never married or is remarried, divorced, separated, etc.), review the TASFA Notes for further clarification.

**PARENT MARITAL STATUS**

<p><b>41. As of today, what is the marital status of your legal parents?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Married or Remarried    <input type="checkbox"/> Never Married  <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced or Separated    <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed  <input type="checkbox"/> Unmarried and both parents living together</p>	<p><b>42. Month and year your parents were married, remarried, separated, divorced or widowed:</b></p> <p>Month: _____ Year: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
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**PARENT 1 (Mother/Father/Stepparent)**

<b>43. Last Name</b>	<b>44. First Name</b>	<b>46. Social Security Number (e.g., DACA)</b>	<b>47. Phone Number</b>
<b>45. Date of Birth</b>	<b>46. Social Security Number (e.g., DACA)</b>	N/A	<b>47. Phone Number</b>
<b>48. Email Address</b>			
<b>49. Highest level of education completed.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Middle School/Jr. High <input type="checkbox"/> High School <input type="checkbox"/> College or Beyond <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Unknown			

**PARENT 2 (Mother/Father/Stepparent)**

<b>50. Last Name</b>	<b>51. First Name</b>	<b>53. Social Security Number (e.g., DACA)</b>	<b>54. Phone Number</b>
<b>52. Date of Birth</b>	<b>53. Social Security Number (e.g., DACA)</b>	N/A	<b>54. Phone Number</b>
<b>55. Email Address</b>			
<b>56. Highest level of education completed.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Middle School/Jr. High <input type="checkbox"/> High School <input type="checkbox"/> College or Beyond <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Unknown			

**SECTION FOUR: INCOME INFORMATION** Documentation will need to be submitted to the financial aid office. (e.g., W-2s)

 **STOP:** If you answered “Yes” to any of the questions in **SECTION TWO**, parental information is **not** required. You are only required to enter income information for yourself (and your spouse).

If you answered “No” to all the questions in **SECTION TWO**, you must include parental information, as defined in **SECTION THREE**.

**PART A. EARNINGS (See Notes for questions 57-66)**

<b>Student Earnings</b>	<b>Parent Earnings</b>
<b>57. Did you (or spouse) work in 2018?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>62. Did your parent(s) work in 2018?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>58. If yes, how much did you (and spouse) earn from working in 2018?</b> Student: _____ Spouse: _____	<b>63. If yes, how much did your parent(s) earn from working in 2018?</b> Parent 1: _____ Parent 2: _____
<b>59. Did you (or spouse) file a 2018 tax return?</b> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>64. Did your parent(s) file a 2018 tax return?</b> Parent 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Parent 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>60. Was an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) used to file a 2018 tax return? If so, enter below or mark N/A.</b> Student: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A Spouse: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>65. Was an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) used to file a 2018 tax return? If so, enter below or mark N/A.</b> Parent 1: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A Parent 2: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<b>61. As of today, are you (or spouse) a dislocated worker (currently unemployed)?</b> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know	<b>66. As of today, is either parent a dislocated worker (currently unemployed)?</b> Parent 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know Parent 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know

For questions 67-78, if the answer is zero or the question does not apply to you, enter "0." DO NOT LEAVE ANY BLANKS. Report whole dollar yearly amounts with no cents.

	STUDENT	SPOUSE (If applicable)	PARENT 1	PARENT 2 (If applicable)
<b>PART B. 2018 UNTAXED INCOME</b> (See Notes for questions 67-71)				
67. Child support received for any of your children.				
68. Housing, food, and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy, and others.				
69. Other untaxed income not reported. (Such as worker's compensation, disability, veterans noneducation benefits, etc.)				
70. Cash earnings. (Income not reported on taxes or W-2 forms)				
71. Money received, or paid on your behalf (e.g., bills), not reported elsewhere on this form.			N/A	N/A
72. TOTAL UNTAXED INCOME (Automatically calculates if completed electronically.)				

<b>PART C. 2018 ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION</b> (See Notes for questions 73-75)				
73. Child support paid.				
74. Taxable earnings from work-study or other need-based work programs.				
75. Earnings from work under a cooperative education program offered by a college.				

<b>PART D. 2018 ASSETS</b> (See Notes for questions 76-78)				
76. As of today, what is your total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts?				
77. As of today, what is your net worth of investments, including real estate?				
78. As of today, what is your net worth of current businesses and/or investment farms?				

<b>PART E. FEDERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS</b>				
79. At any time during 2018 or 2019, did you, (your spouse), your parents, anyone in your household, or anyone in your parents' household receive benefits from any of the federal programs listed?				
<b>Mark all that apply or mark N/A.</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid or Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	<input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	<input type="checkbox"/> Free or Reduced-Price School Lunch	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

## SECTION FIVE: HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

If you answered "Yes" to any of the questions in **SECTION TWO**, follow these instructions to complete the table below.

- **Total number in household:** Include yourself (and spouse) and your children if you will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021 (even if they do not live with you). Include any other people if they now live with you, and you provide and will continue to provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021.
- **Total number in college for 2020-21:** Always count yourself as a college student. Do not include family members who are in U.S. military service academies. Include others only if they will attend, at least half-time in 2020-21, a program that leads to a college degree or certificate.

If you answered "No" to all the questions in **SECTION TWO**, follow these instructions to complete the table below.

- **Total number in household:** Include yourself (even if you don't live with your parents), your parents, and your parents' other children (even if they do not live with your parents) if your parents will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. Include any other people if they now live with your parents, and your parents provide and will continue to provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021.
- **Total number in college for 2020-21:** Always count yourself as a college student. Do not include your parents. Do not include siblings who are in U.S. military service academies. You may include others only if they will attend, at least half-time in 2020-21, a program that leads to a college degree or certificate.

Full name of each household member (Examples: parent(s), sibling(s), grandparent, spouse)	Age	Relationship to student (e.g., sister, son)	College/University (If attending July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021)
		Self	
<b>80. Total number in household:</b>		<b>81. Total number in college for 2020–21:</b>	

## SECTION SIX: SIGNATURE(S) - Application must contain electronic or wet (physical) signature(s) only.

**82.** I certify that I will use state student financial aid to pay only the cost of attending an institution of higher education, and that the information provided on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statements may void my eligibility for state financial aid. I also understand that the information provided on this form will be used only for evaluation of eligibility for state (or institutional) financial aid and that I may need to provide additional information for my school to determine eligibility.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature\* \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*Only required if all questions in **SECTION TWO** were answered "No." **Mark which parent signed above.** Parent 1 [ ] Parent 2 [ ]

**Note:** If you plan to submit your TASFA to multiple institutions, make copies of the completed form and sign each copy.

# 2020-21 TASFA Notes

## Texas Application for State Financial Aid

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These notes provide clarification to various questions on the TASFA. The peach items indicate a student (and spouse) response is needed, and the purple items indicate a parent response is needed. If you need additional assistance, contact the institution's financial aid office that you currently attend or plan to attend for the 2020-21 award year.

### SECTION ONE: STUDENT INFORMATION

#### Notes for questions 5 and 6 (page 1)

**Question 5.** If you have been issued a social security card, enter your assigned number. If you have been approved for Deferred Action of Childhood Arrivals (DACA), enter your assigned social security number (SSN) through this program. If you don't have an assigned SSN, mark N/A.

**Question 6.** Enter your ID number issued by your college or university, if applicable.

#### Notes for question 24 (page 2)

Enter your gender at birth.

Individuals who were born male are required to complete a **Selective Service Statement of Registration Status** and either be registered with Selective Service or be exempt from registration to be eligible for state financial aid ([TEC, Section 51.9095](#)). If you are male and between the ages of 18 through 25, you can register by visiting [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov) or completing a registration form found at a U.S. Post Office. If you are over the age of 25, you can no longer register. Male students over the age of 25 who knowingly and willfully failed to register with Selective Service are not eligible for state financial aid.

#### Selective Service Statement of Registration Status

- If you marked **I am under the age of 18 and not currently required to register**: Contact your current institution to confirm whether additional proof is required.
- If you marked **I am REGISTERED with the Selective Service**, and your current institution does not have proof of your registration on file: You must submit documentation to your current institution in order to be eligible for state financial aid.
- If you marked **I am EXEMPT from registration**, and your current institution does not have proof of your exemption on file: You must submit documentation to your current institution in order to be eligible for state financial aid.
- If you marked **I am over the age of 18. I am not registered with Selective Service and I am not exempt from registration with Selective Service**, then you may not be eligible for state financial aid. Contact your current institution to discuss your eligibility status.

#### Notes for question 25 (page 2)

If you have been convicted of a felony or a crime involving a controlled substance (e.g., drugs, alcohol), enter **"Yes."**

If **"Yes,"** see your institution's financial aid office regarding additional documentation that may be requested (e.g., confirmation of eligibility).

#### Notes for question 26 (page 2)

State financial aid programs can include:

- Toward EXcellence, Access and Success (TEXAS) Grant
- Texas Educational Opportunity Grant (TEOG)
- Tuition Equalization Grant (TEG)
- Texas College Work-Study (TCWS)
- Work-Study Student Mentorship Program (WSMP)
- B-On-Time (BOT)

- College Access Loan (CAL)
- Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program (TASSP)
- Bilingual Education Scholarship Program
- Exemptions
- Waivers

#### Notes for question 27 (page 2)

- A.** Texas College Work-Study (TCWS) is a state program that provides employment positions to eligible students with financial need.
- B.** If you have been approved for Deferred Action of Childhood Arrivals (DACA), you could be eligible for the Texas College Work-Study Program. Your college will require proof of your authorization to work in the U.S. (e.g., copy of your SSN card).

#### Notes for questions 28 and 29 (page 2)

**Question 28.** Report your marital status as of the date you sign your TASFA (enter married if you are separated but not divorced). If your marital status changes after you sign your TASFA, check with your financial aid office at your institution.

**Question 29.** Enter the **month** and **year** of the status selected in **question 28**. If you have never been married, remarried, separated, divorced, or widowed, mark **"N/A."**

### SECTION TWO: STUDENT DEPENDENCY DETERMINATION

#### Notes for question 30 (page 2)

If you were born on January 1, 1997, you should enter **"No."**

#### Notes for question 35 (page 2)

Enter **"Yes"** if at any time since you turned age 13:

- You had no living parent (biological or adoptive), even if you are now adopted;
- You were in foster care, even if you are no longer in foster care today; or
- You were a dependent/ward of the court, even if you are no longer a dependent/ward of the court today.

If you are not sure if you were in foster care, check with your state's child welfare agency. You can find that agency's contact information at [www.childwelfare.gov/nfcad](http://www.childwelfare.gov/nfcad).

#### Notes for questions 36 and 37 (page 2)

The definition of legal guardianship does not include your parents, even if they were appointed by a court to be your guardians. You are also not considered a legal guardian of yourself.

Enter **"Yes"** if you can provide a copy of the court's decision that as of today you are an emancipated minor or are in legal guardianship. Also, enter **"Yes"** if you can provide a copy of a court's decision that you were an emancipated minor or were in legal guardianship immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in Texas. The court must be located in your state of legal residence at the time the court's decision was made.

Enter **"No"** if you are still a minor and the court decision is no longer in effect or the court decision was not in effect at the time you became an adult. The financial aid administrator at your school may require you to provide additional information such as a copy of the court's decision.



### Notes for questions 38-40 (page 2)

Enter **“Yes”** if you received a determination at any time on or after July 1, 2019, that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or at risk of being homeless.

- **Homeless** - means lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing, which includes living in shelters, motels, or cars, or temporarily living with other people because you had nowhere else to go.
- **Unaccompanied** - means you are not living in the physical custody of your parent or guardian.
- **Youth** - means you are 21 years of age or younger or you are still enrolled in high school as of the day you sign this application.

Answer **“No”** if you are not homeless or at risk of being homeless, or if you do not have a determination. You should contact your financial aid office for assistance if you do not have a determination but believe you are an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or are an unaccompanied youth providing for your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless.

## SECTION THREE: PARENT INFORMATION

### Notes for questions 41-56 (page 3)

**Question 41 and 43-56.** Report your legal parents’ marital status as of the date you sign your TASFA (enter married if they are separated but not divorced). If your parents’ marital status changes after you sign your TASFA, check with your financial aid office at your institution.

- If your parent was never married and does not live with your other legal parent, select **“Never Married.”** If your parent is widowed and not remarried, select **“Widowed.”** In these two cases, only answer questions 43-49.
- If your legal parents (biological, adoptive, or as determined by the state [for example, if the parent is listed on the birth certificate]) are not married to each other and **live together**, select **“Unmarried and both parents living together”** and answer questions 43-56 about both parents regardless of their gender. Do not include any person who is not married to your parent and who is not a legal or biological parent.
- If your legal parents are married, select **“Married or remarried.”** If your legal parents are divorced but living together, select **“Unmarried and both parents living together.”** If your legal parents are separated but living together, select **“Married or remarried,”** not **“Divorced or separated.”** Answer questions 43-56 about both parents.
- If your legal parents are divorced or separated, select **“Divorced or separated,”** and answer questions 43-49 about the parent you lived with more during the past 12 months. (If you did not live with one parent more than the other, give answers about the parent who provided more financial support during the past 12 months or most recent year that you received support from a parent.) For instance, if you feel the support was equal (50/50), list information for the parent that provided at least 51% (slightly more) of your support for the year. If this parent is remarried as of today, select **“Married or remarried,”** and answer questions 43-56 about that parent and your stepparent.
- If your widowed parent is remarried as of today, select **“Married or remarried,”** and answer questions 43-56 about that parent and your stepparent.

**Question 42.** Enter the **month** and **year** of your parents’ marital status selected in **question 41**. If your parents have never been married, remarried, separated, divorced, or widowed, mark **“N/A.”**

## SECTION FOUR: INCOME INFORMATION

### PART A. EARNINGS

#### Notes for questions 57 and 58 (page 3)

#### Notes for questions 62 and 63 (page 3)

**Question 57 and 62.** Indicate whether you, your spouse, and/or your parent(s) worked anytime from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

**Question 58 and 63.** Enter 2018 earnings (wages, salaries, tips, etc.), even if a tax return was not filed. This information may be on the W-2 forms or on the tax return: IRS Form 1040—line 1 + Schedule 1, lines 12 + 18, + Box 14 (Code A) of IRS Schedule K-1 (Form 1065). If any individual earning item on these tax forms is negative, do not include that item in your calculation.

In order to accurately assess your financial situation, your institution needs to account for all sources of income. In cases where your family’s earnings from employment are at or above the IRS filing threshold requirements, the financial aid office will require that you file taxes before processing your TASFA. Tax filing requirements can be found in IRS Publication 17, Table 1-1: 2018 Filing Requirements for Most Taxpayers. See <https://www.irs.gov/uac/About-Publication-17>.

**Nontax filers:** If you (and your spouse) and/or your parent(s) did not file taxes, contact the financial aid office to see if additional information is needed.

#### Notes for questions 59 and 60 (page 3)

#### Notes for questions 64 and 65 (page 3)

**Question 59 and 64.** Indicate whether you, your spouse, and/or your parent(s) have completed a federal or foreign tax return for 2018. If **“Yes,”** you will be required to submit documents to your financial aid office (e.g., tax returns, tax transcripts, W-2s).

**Question 60 and 65.** Enter an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for you, your spouse, and/or your parent(s), if used to file a 2018 tax return. **Note:** Mark N/A if an ITIN **was not** used to file a 2018 tax return.

#### Notes for question 61 (page 3)

#### Notes for question 66 (page 3)

In general, a person may be considered a dislocated worker if he or she:

- is receiving unemployment benefits due to being laid off or losing a job and is unlikely to return to a previous occupation;
- has been laid off or received a lay-off notice from a job; was self-employed but is now unemployed due to economic conditions or natural disaster; or
- is the spouse of an active duty member of the Armed Forces and has experienced a loss of employment because of relocating due to permanent change in duty station; or
- is the spouse of an active duty member of the Armed Forces and is unemployed or underemployed, and is experiencing difficulty in obtaining or upgrading employment; or
- is a displaced homemaker. A displaced homemaker is generally a person who previously provided unpaid services to the family (e.g., a stay-at-home mom or dad), is no longer supported by the spouse, is unemployed or underemployed, and is having trouble finding or upgrading employment.

## PART B. 2018 UNTAXED INCOME

### Notes for questions

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**Question 67.** Report child support that you, your spouse, or your parent(s), as applicable, received for all children during 2018. Do not include foster care or adoption payments.

**Question 68.** Enter housing, food, and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy, and others (including cash payments and cash value of benefits). Don't include the value of on-base military housing or the value of a basic military allowance for housing or report rent subsidies for low-income housing.

**Question 69.** Enter the total amount of untaxed income you, your spouse, or your parent(s), as applicable, received in 2018.

Examples of **untaxed income**:

- Payments to tax-deferred pension and retirement savings plans
- IRA deductions and payments to other qualified plans
- Tax-exempt interest income
- Untaxed portions of IRA distributions
- Untaxed portions of pensions
- Veterans noneducation benefits, such as disability, death pension, or dependency & indemnity compensation (DIC) and/or VA Educational Work-Study allowances
- Other untaxed income not reported may include workers' compensation, disability benefits, etc.

**Do not include** extended foster care benefits, student aid, earned income credit, additional child tax credit, welfare payments, untaxed Social Security benefits, Supplemental Security Income, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act educational benefits, combat pay, benefits from flexible spending arrangements (e.g., cafeteria plans), foreign income exclusion, or credit for federal tax on special fuels.

**Question 70.** Enter wages not listed on taxes or W-2 forms.

**Question 71.** Enter money received, or paid on your behalf (e.g., bills), not reported elsewhere on this form. This includes money that you received from a parent or other person whose financial information is not reported on this form and is not part of a legal child support agreement.

## PART C. 2018 ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### Notes for questions

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**Question 73.** Report any child support payments paid by you, your spouse, or your parent(s), as applicable, during 2018 as a result of divorce, separation, or some other legal requirement. These are payments that are made to a child (or children) not living in your or your parents' household.

**Question 74.** Report earnings from need-based work programs and need-based employment portions of fellowships and assistantships.

**Question 75.** Report any student grant and scholarship aid that was reported to the IRS on your or your parents' 2018 federal income tax return. This includes benefits such as awards, living allowances, and interest accrual payments as well as grant and scholarship portions of fellowships and assistantships.

## PART D. 2018 ASSETS

### Notes for questions

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**Question 76.** Do not enter student financial aid awards in this amount.

**Question 77.** Net worth means current value minus debt. If net worth is negative, enter 0.

**Question 78.** Business and/or investment farm value includes the market value of lands, buildings, machinery, equipment, inventory, etc. Business and/or investment farm debt means only those debts for which the business or investment was used as collateral. Business value does not include the value of a small business if your family owns and controls more than 50% of the business and the business has 100 or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees.

For small business value, your family includes:

- Persons directly related to you
- 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 parent(s) live on and operate.