



2025-2026 VERIFICATION POLICY

The U.S. Department of Education or North Carolina Wesleyan University's Office of Financial Aid has identified your application for a selection process called **verification**. This process is used to check the accuracy and completeness of data provided on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The verification process is meant to ensure that Federal student financial aid is disbursed equitably and according to Federal law and program regulation. The College is required to notify the U.S. Office of Inspector General if they suspect that a student, employee or other individual has misreported information or altered documentation submitted in order for a student to fraudulently obtain federal funds.

We are pleased to announce we have established a partnership with <u>Inceptia</u> to expedite the federal verification process. **Verification Gateway (VG)** from Inceptia in an online portal to guide students and parents through verification.

If your FAFSA application is selected for verification by the U.S Department of Education, you will receive an email from VGCS@inceptia.org, or postcard from Inceptia, containing **North Carolina Wesleyan University's** unique website link to start the verification process.

We encourage you to begin the verification process within 7 days of receiving notification from Verification Gateway to ensure you receive your financial aid in time for payments. Failure to complete the verification process could result in the delay or denial of your financial aid.

Deadline for submitting these documents is 9/14/2025

FOLLOW THESE STEPS TO COMPLETE YOUR VERIFICATION:

- Access our school's unique website link in the email already sent from <u>VGCS@inceptia.org</u> or click the following link, <u>https://ncwu.verificationgateway.org</u>
- Create your account and choose preferences for text messages and e-signatures.
- **Complete** your Task List.
- **Confirm** your signature and review your information.
- Sign your account.

*If you are a dependent student, your parent also needs to create their own account and complete each of these steps.

Verification may include (but is not limited to) a review of the following data for a student, a student's spouse, or parent(s) of a dependent student:

- 2023 Adjusted Gross Income
- 2023 Taxes Paid
- 2023 Income Earned from Work
- 2023 Untaxed Income and Benefits

- Family Size
- Number in College
- Veteran Status
- Social Security Number

If the Department of Education is unable to retrieve or use your 2023 federal tax information when processing your 2025-2026 FAFSA, please contact the IRS using one of the methods below to request your 2023 tax transcripts or 2023 letter of non-filer status.

- Call 1-800-908-9946
- Download the IRS Form 4506T-EZ at <u>http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4506tez.pdf</u>, then mail or fax to the IRS's address.
- Create an account on the IRS website at <u>www.irs.gov</u>.

Questions about the verification process?

Contact Inceptia, Monday through Friday 8 am – 7 pm Central at 888.374.8427 or VGCS@inceptia.org.

About Inceptia

<u>Inceptia</u>, a nonprofit organization, provides innovation and leadership in higher education access and success through engaging and empowering students and streamlining processes. Our mission is to support schools in illuminating a path towards educational and financial success for students and families, allowing them to pursue their dreams of reaching their full potential. Our solutions are designed to support student success by helping schools maximize resources, so they can spend more time delivering meaningful learning experiences across the student lifecycle that fosters education and personal development.

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