

# 2020 – 2021 FAFSA CHECKLIST

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- If you or your parent(s) DID NOT WORK in 2018, you will need to get an IRS verification of non-filing statement form 4506-T. This form can be found online at <a href="https://www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a> (fill out and send FORM 4506-T) to IRS

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