2013-2014
Student/Parent
Marital Status Verification

Student's Last Name                  First Name           M.I.                  Student’s ID or Social Security Number

Student’s Home Phone Number (include area code)                  Student’s Alternate or Cell Phone Number

According to your 2013-2014 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), there is a discrepancy in your (or your parent’s, if a dependent student) marital status or the status originally reported on the FAFSA has been changed. In order to resolve this discrepancy or to verify the status change, please read this form and complete as directed. The Department of Education requires Lanier Technical College to verify that the student (or parents) did in fact use the correct filing status at the time the application was submitted. Before your eligibility for federal and state financial assistance can be determined, this form must be completed and returned with all required documents. If you do not provide ALL necessary documents, your file will be placed on hold.

STEP ONE: Complete the following information about your or your parent’s marital status.

This form is being completed for: ☐ the student or ☐ the student’s parents

Check the marital status below that most accurately reflects the current marital status as of the date your FAFSA was completed.

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<th>IF YOU or YOUR PARENTS ARE...</th>
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<td>☐ MARRIED</td>
<td>Please attach a copy of the marriage license or certificate.</td>
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<td>☐ REMARRIED</td>
<td>Please attach a copy of the marriage license or certificate.</td>
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<td>☐ DIVORCED</td>
<td>Please attach a copy of the final court ordered divorce decree.</td>
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<td>☐ SEPARATED</td>
<td>Please see reverse side of form – STEP TWO</td>
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<td>☐ SINGLE</td>
<td>Please attach a signed statement explaining the discrepancy in marital status.</td>
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<td>☐ WIDOWED</td>
<td>Please attach a copy of the obituary, death certificate, or other proof.</td>
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Certifications and Signatures
Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct. The student and/or one parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must sign and date.

______________________________  ____________________
Student’s Signature              Date

______________________________  ____________________
Parent’s Signature               Date

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

Please Return Documents to the Appropriate Campus

Oakwood, Jackson & Winder-Barrow Students
To: Office of Financial Aid
2990 Landrum Educational Drive
Oakwood, GA 30566
Phone: 770-531-6300 ~ Fax: 770-531-6328

Forsyth & Dawson Students
To: Office of Financial Aid
3410 Ronald Reagan Blvd.
Cumming, GA 30041
Phone: 770-781-6800 ~ Fax 770-781-6951

Website: www.laniertech.edu

Stop here if you checked married, remarried, divorced, single, or widowed. You are only required to complete STEP ONE.
STEP TWO: Notice of Separation

1. This section is only completed if the response to current marital status is SEPARATED in Section I of this form.

2. Marital separation is defined as:
   a. One of the partners has left the household for an indefinite period; and
   b. the marriage is severed. If your circumstance does not meet this definition, the you (or your parent, if a dependent) are required to submit your (or your parent’s) spouses’ information. Note: you must meet both parts of the definition to be considered separated.

3. You must complete this section and provide each of the following items:
   - **CERTIFICATION AND STATEMENT OF MARITAL SEPARATION**: Please complete the certification statement below with names, dates, social security number, address, notarization, and signature(s).
   - **REFERENCE LETTERS**: If you have not consulted with an attorney or legal aid and do not have a court date for the divorce proceedings or are not pursuing a divorce at this time, you must still provide evidence of your separation. You must attach a statement which confirms your separation claim from two third party persons (not relatives or friends) who can endorse your statement in their professional capacity on their business letterhead (computer generated letterhead is NOT acceptable). For example, your pastor or rabbi, your marriage counselor, or social services case worker can provide such a letter.
   - **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**: Please attach a copy of your 2012 W2s, and copies of documents which are in your name only (such as utility bills, lease/rental/mortgage documents, and bank statements).

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**CERTIFICATION AND STATEMENT OF MARITAL SEPARATION**

I, ________________________ ______________, do hereby certify that my current marital status is separated from my spouse, ________________________ ______________, since ______ / _____. I certify that we are and have continued living separated and the marriage is severed.

(Print Name) (Print Name)  
(Month and Year of Separation)

Currently, my separated spouse resides at:

**SEPARATED SPOUSE INFORMATION**

Name: __________________________________________

Physical Address: __________________________________________

City State Zip code __________________________________________

I certify the above statement as true and accurate with my signature and notarization by notary public. Additionally, I understand that I am responsible for returning all student financial aid monies received due to inaccurate, false or misleading information provided on this form. I also understand that if I purposely give false or misleading information in order to qualify for Title IV funds, I may be fined $20,000, sent to prison, or both.

Student Signature __________________________ Date __________________________

Spouse Signature (optional) __________________________ Date __________________________

Primary Parent Signature __________________________ Date __________________________

Separated Parent Signature (optional) __________________________ Date __________________________

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**NOTARIZATION:**