## 2017-18 Parent Nontax Filers

(Verification of 2015 Income Information)

The instructions and certifications below apply to each parent included in the household. Complete this sections 1-3 if the parents will not file and <u>are not required</u> to file a 2015 income tax return with the IRS.

1. Check the box that applies:

Neither parent was employed, and neither had income earned from work in 2015.

One or both parents were employed in 2015 and have listed below the names of all employers and the amount earned from each employer in 2015. [Provide copies of all 2015 IRS W-2 forms issued to the parents by their employers]. List every employer even if the employer did not issue an IRS W-2 form.

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Parent Name	Employer's Name	Annual Amount	Check if self-
		Earned in 2015	employed income
(Example) John Smith	Suzy's Auto Body Shop	\$2,000.00	i.e. babysitting, mowing, etc.

# 2. Provide a copy of IRS Form W-2 for each source of 2015 employment income received (or an equivalent document such as the Wage and Income Transcript.

#### If a W-2 is not available

The quickest way to obtain a copy of a Form W-2 is through your employer. If getting Forms W-2 from your employers isn't possible, as an alternative, you can request a <u>wage and income transcript</u> by using the IRS Get Transcript service at <u>www.IRS.gov</u> Click on the "Get a tax transcript" link. Select "Get Transcript Online" and follow instructions. You can also use <u>Form 4506-T</u>, *Request for Transcript of Tax Return*. Check the box for Form W-2, specify which tax year(s) you need, and mail or fax the completed form. Allow 5 to 10 days from the IRS received date to receive the transcript.

### 3. Certifications and Signatures

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct.

Student's Signature (Required)

Parent's Signature (Required)

Date

Date

Please return this completed form and all other required materials to:

Ottumwa Campus: Indian Hills Community College, Attn. Financial Aid, 525 Grandview Avenue, Ottumwa, Iowa 52501 Fax: 641-683-5741, Phone: 800-726-2585, ext. 5262 or 641-683-5262, email us at: OneStop@indianhills.edu

Centerville Campus: Indian Hills Community College, 721 North First Street, Centerville, IA 52544

Fax: 641-856-3158, Phone: 800-670-3641, ext. 2200 or 641-856-2143, ext. 2200 email us at: OneStop@indianhills.edu

To check the status of your documents, go to WebAdvisor and click the Financial Checklist, under the Financial Aid heading.

#### Table 1-1. 2015 Filing Requirements Chart for Most Taxpayers

AND at the end of 2015 THEN file a return if your gross income\*\* was at least... IF your filing status is... you were<sup>\*</sup>... under 65 \$10,300 Single 65 or older \$11,850 under 65 \$13,250 Head of household 65 or older \$14,800 under 65 (both spouses) \$20,600 Married filing jointly\*\*\* 65 or older (one spouse) \$21,850 65 or older (both spouses) \$23,100 any age (if your spouse itemizes Married filing separately \$4,000 deductions) \$16,600 under 65 Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child 65 or older \$17,850

Note. You must file a return if your gross income was at least the amount shown in the last column.

\*If you were born before January 2, 1951, you are considered to be 65 or older at the end of 2015. (If your spouse died in 2015 or if you are preparing a return for someone who died in 2015, see Pub. 501.)

"Gross income means all income you receive in the form of money, goods, property, and services that isn't exempt from tax, including any income from sources outside the United States or from the sale of your main home (even if you can exclude part or all of it). It also includes gains, but not losses, reported on Form 8949 or Schedule D. Gross income from a business means, for example, the amount on Schedule C, line 7, or Schedule F, line 9. But, in figuring gross income, don't reduce your income by any losses, including any loss on Schedule C, line 7, or Schedule F, line 9. **Don't** include any social security benefits unless (a) you are married filing separately and you lived with your spouse at any time in 2015 or (b) one-half of your social security benefits plus your other gross income and any taxexempt interest is more than \$25,000 (\$32,000 if married filing jointly). If (a) or (b) applies, see the Instructions for Form 1040 or Pub. 915, Social Security and Equivalent Railroad Retirement Benefits, to figure the taxable part of social security benefits you must include in gross income.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>If you didn't live with your spouse at the end of 2015 (or on the date your spouse died) and your gross income was at least \$4,000, you must file a return regardless of your age.