361 Comment Code Resolution

Tax Return Filing Status – Marital Status Potential Conflict

The financial aid office at Bellevue University recently received your 2017/2018 FAFSA. The information on your FAFSA contained data that we need your help to clarify and/or verify.

The information we need to clarify/verify is related to your Parent’s tax return filing status relative to their marital status reported on your FAFSA. Your FAFSA was processed by the Department of Education and resulted with the below code based on how the Tax Return filing status and Marital Status were reported. Please review your Parent’s information on your FAFSA and complete the below information.

**Code 361**

**Description:**
- Your parent’s tax filing status = 2 (Married, filed joint return) or 5 (Qualifying widow[er]) and your parent’s marital status = 2 (Never married), OR
- Your parent’s tax filing status = 1 (Single), 3 (Married, filed separate return) or 4 (Head of Household) and your parent’s marital status = 1 (Married or remarried), OR
- Your parent’s tax filing status = 2 (Married, filing joint tax return) and parent’s marital status = 3 (Divorced or Separated) or 4 (Widowed)

**Result and Action needed:**
Your Parent’s tax return filing status conflicts with their Marital Status. Please review this information and provide the below clarification:

1. Is my parent’s tax return filing status correct? ______ Yes ______ No
2. If not, what should their tax return filing status be? __________________________________________________________
3. If the tax return filing status is correct, is the income information reported in items 85 – 89, 93 & 94 correct? ______ Yes ______ No
4. If the income information is incorrect, what should the correct income information reflect? __________________________________________________________________________

**Certification**

By signing this form, I (we) certify that all the information reported to qualify for Federal student aid is complete and correct. (If dependent student, at least one parent must sign.)

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Student ID #

_________________________________________ Date ____________________________
Student’s Signature Date Parent’s Signature (Dependent Students Only) Date

Return to: 
Bellevue University Financial Aid Office
1000 Galvin Road South, Bellevue, NE 68005
Fax (402) 557-5425 Email address - finaid@bellevue.edu

For Questions please contact the OneStop Service Center 402-293-2000 or 1-800-756-7920 option 0 or by email at OneStop@bellevue.edu