## **IRS Data Retrieval Tool Instructions**

- 1. Go to www.fafsa.ed.gov
- 2. Click the **LOGIN** button
- 3. Enter the student's first name, last name, students SSN, students Date of birth and click NEXT
- 4. Click MAKE FAFSA CORRECTIONS
- 5. Enter the FSA ID and create a temporary password for this correction and click NEXT
- 6. Click **FINANCIAL INFORMATION** tab at the top
- 7. Answer the following questions:
  - For 2016, have you completed your IRS income tax return or another tax return? (Once you have completed your Tax return and submitted it you should answer "Already Completed")
  - For 2016, what is your tax filing status according to your tax return? (Your tax filing status helps to determine if you can use the data retrieval tool).
  - **Did you file a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return? NO** will prompt the next question (If you answer **YES** you may not proceed with the IRS data retrieval-you should request a tax transcript by calling 1-800-908-9946)
- 8. Click "PROCEED TO IRS SITE"
  - a. The page will read: "Leaving FAFSA on the Web" read the information and click OK.
  - b. Enter FSA ID & password
  - c. Click "Proceed to IRS website"
- 9. Fill in the information exactly as it appears on your tax return.
- 10. Click **SUBMIT**. Once it is submitted you will get an error message **OR** the list of information that is going to be transferred to the FAFSA
- 11. Click in the box under "Transfer My Tax Information into the FAFSA"
- 12. Click TRANSFER NOW
- 13. You will now be back on the FAFSA website and there should be a message that reads "You have successfully transferred your 2016 IRS tax information"
- 14. YOU ARE NOT DONE YET!
- 15. Answer the question, "As of today, are you a dislocated worker?"
- 16. Scroll all the way down and click **NEXT**
- 17. You will see the changes made to the FAFSA, scroll all the way down and click NEXT
- 18. Enter the student and parent FSA ID, agree to the terms, click sign and submit FAFSA.
- 19. Now you should be done with the IRS data retrieval. You will receive a confirmation page once the process is complete.

## **SOME OTHER OPTIONS ARE:**

- You may also order your tax return transcript by calling 1.800.908.9946.
- **Download and print your IRS tax return transcript immediately from the IRS website.** You can now order your transcript(s) using a new online application <a href="www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript">www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript</a>. The application allows you to view and print your transcript(s) immediately.

If you would like to order a copy by mail, complete the new Short Form Request for Individual Tax Return Transcripts (Form 4506T-EZ). This streamlined form will help you get your return information quickly and easily