Annual: Student Financial Aid Record File

Student Financial Aid Profile

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Overview: Term Specific Student Financial Aid Record File

Student Financial Aid record information is to be submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education (MDHE) by <u>all</u> institutions that participate in Massachusetts state financial aid programs. The student Financial Aid file layout consists of one file.

The Student Financial Aid Data file includes:

- 1.) All Massachusetts residents enrolled for credit who applied for any type of financial aid for undergraduate programs. Every enrolled student who applied for financial aid must be included in the Student Financial Aid Record file (i.e. Please report enrolled students that applied for aid, even if they did not receive financial aid for each term the student is enrolled).
- 2.) In addition, every Massachusetts undergraduate student enrolled for credit who received any type of financial aid award federal, state, institutional and outside must be included in the Student Financial Aid Data file, regardless of whether a FAFSA was submitted.

The format for Student Financial Aid Data file is "comma separated values" (CSV). All alphanumeric data types must be enclosed in double quotes ("). All fields must be delimited by a comma (,).

Each record will represent one award type. One student may have several distinct records indicating the different awards he or she may have received in a given term. For example, if a student is enrolled in the fall term and receives both a Pell Grant and a MASSGrant, there will be two records for that student. Similarly, if a student is enrolled in both the fall and spring terms and receives a Pell Grant in each of those terms, there will be two records for that student.

The specifications of the Student Financial Aid Record file are presented in the following section. A minimal amount of student demographic data is required.

LIST OF STUDENT FINANCIAL AID DATA ELEMENTS

AID001 College ID

An institutional identification code assigned by the MDHE for MA public institutions.

AID002 Award Year

The award year for which information is being reported.

AID003 Term

The academic term for which information is being reported.

AID004 Student's Social Security Number

The student's social security number.

AID005 Student ID

Identification code assigned to the student by the institution.

AID006 Student's Last Name

The student's last name.

AID007 Student's First Name

The student's first name.

AID008 Student's Middle Initial

The student's middle initial.

AID009 Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC) that the institution used to calculate financial aid need.

AID010 Student Education Costs

The student's Education Costs that the institution used to calculate financial aid need.

AID011 Student Need

The student's demonstrated financial aid need that the institution used to award financial aid.

AID012 Student Eligibility Indicator

The indicator of the student's eligibility for any type of financial aid at the school.

AID013 Completed Application Indicator

Indicates whether the student completed a financial aid application (FAFSA) according to the institution's requirements

AID014 Total Credit Hours Registered For

The number of credit hours for which the student is registered.

AID015 Awarded Amount

The student's awarded amount for the Term (AID003) being reported and specified by Award Identifier (AID016).

AID016 Award Identifier

The identification number assigned to a specific type of award.

AID017 Award Name

The name of the award fund.

AID018 Disbursed Amount

The student's disbursed amount for the Term (AID003) being reported and specified by Award Identifier (AID016).

AID019 Tuition and Mandatory Fees

The student's tuition and mandatory fees amount for the Term (AID003) being reported.

AID020 Books and Supplies

The student's books and supplies amount for the Term (AID003) being reported.

AID021 Insurance

The student's health insurance amount for the Term (AID003) being reported.

AID022 Completed Application by Deadline

Indicates whether the student completed the application by the institution's published priority deadline.

AID023 Met Academic Requirements

Indicates whether the student met all of the institutional academic program requirements.

AID024 Met Title IV Requirements

Indicates whether the student met all financial aid eligibility requirements for Title IV and State need-based aid.

AID025 Withdrew Indicator

Indicates whether the student withdrew during the semester.

AID026 Dependency Status

Indicates whether the student is dependent on his\her parents.

AID027 Adjusted Gross Income

The student's or parent's adjusted gross income from the IRS tax return.

AID001 College ID

An institutional identification code assigned by the MDHE to MA public institutions.

Data Type: Alphanumeric Length Minimum 3 Format Example 000 Maximum 3

Code Descriptions

023	University	of Massachusetts.	Amherst

- University of Massachusetts, Boston
- 063 University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
- 053 University of Massachusetts, Lowell
- 022 Bridgewater State College
- 032 Fitchburg State College
- 042 Framingham State College
- 052 Massachusetts College of Art
- 072 Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
- 062 Massachusetts Maritime Academy
- 082 Salem State College
- 092 Westfield State College
- Worcester State College
- 011 Berkshire Community College
- 021 Bristol Community College
- 031 Bunker Hill Community College
- 041 Cape Cod Community College
- 051 Greenfield Community College
- 061 Holyoke Community College
- 071 Mass Bay Community College
- 081 Massasoit Community College
- 091 Middlesex Community College
- 101 Mt. Wachusett Community College
- 111 North Shore Community College
- 121 Northern Essex Community College
- 131 Quinsigamond Community College
- 141 Roxbury Community College
- 151 Springfield Technical Community College
- 000 All Others

Massachusetts Department of Higher Education	Office of Student Financial Assistance
Stu	ident Financial Aid Data Dictionary

Definition		
Code used to identify each college or university in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.		
Instructions		
Mandatory entry for all institutions		

AID002 Award Year

The award year for which information is being reported.

Data Type: Numeric Length Minimum 4 Format Example YYYY

Maximum 4

Code Descriptions

2019	July 1 2018 to June 30 2019
2020	July 1 2019 to June 30 2020
2021	July 1 2020 to June 30 2021
2022	July 1 2021 to June 30 2022
2023	July 1 2022 to June 30 2023

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Definition

Award Year is defined by the fiscal year of the date of the award. Enrolled students identified in the file are students who were enrolled for the designated fiscal year.

Business Rules	Dependency
Mandatory entry	
Year entered must be the fiscal year of awarded data.	

AID003

Term

Th	The academic term for which information is being reported.				
Data	Type: Numeric	Length Minimum 1 Maximum 1	Format Example 0		
1 2 3 4	Fall Winter Spring Summer				
Term Wint file r	er and Summer) for verteer and Summer) for verteer and Summer)		g the calendar year (i.e., Fall, Spring, orted. Enrolled students reported in the term or the designated term.		
Insti	ructions	ma			

AID004 Student's Social Security Number (SSN)

The student's social security number.

Data Type: Alphanumeric Length Minimum 9 Format Example 1111111111

Maximum 11

Code Descriptions

Note: SSN can be reported in the traditional format and can include the hyphens "-". For example: 123-45-6579 is an acceptable format

Definition

Unique identification number assigned by the Federal government to each citizen and permanent resident of the United States

According to the Social Security Administration, valid SSNs have the first three values between 001 and 772, the second two values between 01 and 99 and the last four values between 0001 and 9999.

Instructions

Mandatory entry

SSN must be unique for the institution, year, term and Award ID and Award Name.

If a student does not have an SSN, due to incomplete application (AID013 = N), enter 000000000

DO NOT enter an identification code assigned by the institution for this item. Institutionally assigned identifiers should only be reported in the Student ID data element.

If the financial aid application is complete (AID013 = Y), then SSN **cannot** be 0000000000.

AID005	Student ID			
AIDUUS	Student ID			
Identificati	on code assigned	d to the st	udent by the	institution.
Data Type:	Alphanumeric	Length	Minimum 1 Maximum 15	Format Example 9999999999
Code Descr	iptions			
Definition				
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Instructions	S			
	Bushesskii			Dependency
 Mandatory	y entry			

Student ID must be unique for the

Award Name.

institution, year, term and Award ID and

AID006	Student's La	st Name				
The studen	t's last name.					
Data Type:	Alphanumeric	Length	Minimum 1 Maximum 50	Format Exa	mple JONE	S
Code Descr	iptions					
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Definition						
Instructions	S					
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AID007 Student's First Name	
The student's first name.	
Data Type Alphanumeric Length Minimum 1 Maximum 32	Format Example JAMES
Code Descriptions	
Can be either upper case or mixed case	
Definition	
Instructions	
Mandatory entry	
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AID008	Student's Middle In	itial				
The studen	nt's middle initial.					
Data Type	Alphanumeric	Length	Minimum 1 Maximum 1	Form	at Example E	
Code Descr	riptions					
Definition						
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AID009 Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC) that the institution used to calculate financial aid need.

Data Type: Numeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example 1500

Maximum 6

Amount Descriptions

The EFC reported should be specific to the term(s) for which the student was enrolled (for credit) and eligible to receive aid.

If Expected Family Contribution is not available, leave this field **blank**. If the EFC is zero, enter **0**. **Do not enter 0 if the EFC is unknown/not available**.

Definition

Example: If a student is enrolled for credit and is eligible for aid in both the fall and the spring and the full-year EFC calculated for the student is \$2,000, this should be the value entered for both terms in which the student appears. If the student is only enrolled for credit and eligible for aid in the fall term, then the EFC reported for the student should be proportional to that term.

Business Rules	Dependency
Mandatory entry for students with a completed application (AID013=Y)	
A null value will indicate that EFC is unknown.	
EFC must be the same for a given student, institution, fiscal year.	

AID010 Student Education Costs

The student's Education Costs that the institution used to calculate financial aid need

Data Type: Numeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example 1500

Amount Descriptions

The Student Cost reported should represent the Annual Education Cost for the student if a student was enrolled (for credit) and eligible to receive aid.

This field includes both direct and indirect costs.

Definition

Example: If a student is enrolled for credit and is eligible for aid in both the fall and the spring and the full-year cost calculated for the student is \$8,000, this should be the value entered for both terms in which the student appears. If the student is only enrolled for credit and eligible for aid in the fall term, then the cost reported for the student should be proportional to that term.

Instructions

Mandatory entry for students with a completed application (AID013=Y)

Value must be greater than zero.

Education Costs must be the same for a given student, institution, fiscal year.

AID011 Student Need

The student's demonstrated financial aid need that the institution used to award financial aid.

Data Type: Numeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example 1500

Maximum 6

Amount Descriptions

The Student Need reported should be specific to the term(s) for which the student was enrolled (for credit) and eligible to receive aid.

Definition

Example: If a student is enrolled for credit and is eligible for aid in both the fall and the spring and the full-year student need calculated for the student is \$6,000, this should be the value entered for both terms in which the student appears. If the student is only enrolled for credit and eligible for aid in the fall term, then the student need reported for the student should be proportional to that term.

Business Rules	
Mandatory entry for students with a completed application (AID013=Y)	
Null values default to 0	
Value must NOT be less than zero	
Student Need must be the same for a given student, institution, fiscal year.	

AID012 **Student Eligibility Indicator**

The indicator of the student's eligibility for any type of financial aid at the school.

Data Type: Alphanumeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example N

Maximum 1

Code Descriptions

- Student is NOT eligible for financial aid
- Y Student is eligible for financial aid

Definition

An eligible student is one who has met all of the institutional academic program requirements, has completed the financial aid application by the institution's published priority or deadline date, and meets all financial aid eligibility requirements for Title IV and State need-based aid.

Business Rules	
Mandatory entry	
Student Eligibility Indicator must be the same for a given student, institution, fiscal year and term	

AID013	Completed	Application	Indicator
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Indicates whether	the student co	ompleted a f	inancial aid	application	(FAFSA)	according t	o the
institution's requi	rements.						

Da	ta Type:	Alphanumeric	Length	Minimum Maximum	Format Example N
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M	andatory	entry			
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AID014 Total Credit Hours Registered For

The number of credit hours for which the student is registered.

Data Type: Numeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example 15.5

Maximum 6

Code Descriptions

The total credit hours registered for would be based on the term that the student is enrolled in. If a student were enrolled in the Fall for 15 credits and in the Spring for 12 credits, then 15 would be entered for all Fall records for that student and 12 would be entered for all Spring records for that student.

Definition

This data field should include the total credits that a student will earn upon successful completion of all courses in a term. For example, if a student is taking 5 classes that are 3 credits each, this field should read 15.

Mandatory entry	Wid d COLLIN 1 1
Value must be greater than zero.	With the exception of Clock-Hour schools, Credit Hours must be between 1 and 28 for a given student, institution, fiscal year
Credit Hours must be the same for a given student, institution, fiscal year	and term
and term	

AID015 Awarded Amount

The student's awarded amount for the Term (AID003) being reported and specified by Award Identifier (AID016).

Data Type: Numeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example 500

Code Descriptions

If a student applied for and was eligible for financial aid but was awarded none, enter 0.

If a student applied for and was either not eligible or did not complete an application, enter 0.

If Awarded Amount is 0, Award Identifier (AID016) must be 0 (No Award)

Definition

Instructions

Null values results in file rejection

Please report one amount for each Term (AID003), Award Identifier (AID016) and Student.

If Award Amount = 0, then no other records should be submitted for that institution, year, student and term. I.e., if a student was eligible for, but received no aid, as indicated by Award Amount = 0, there should not be another record for that student in which he/she received aid in the specified term.

AID016 Award Identifier

The identification number assigned to a specific type of award.

Data Type: Numeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example 1

Maximum 2

Code Descriptions

No Award (Student applied for and was eligible for aid but received none)

State Financial Aid Programs

- 1 MASSGrant
- **2** Performance Bonus
- 3 Cash (ACCESS) Grant
- 4 Public Service Grant
- 5 Foster Child Grant
- 6 Part Time Grant
- 7 Paraprofessional Teacher Preparation Grant
- 8 Christian Herter Scholarship
- 9 Agnes Lindsay Scholarship
- 10 Tomorrow's Teachers Scholarship
- 11 Need Based Tuition Waiver
- 12 Categorical Tuition Waiver: Native American, Senior Citizen, MA Rehabilitation Commission
- 13 Other Tuition Waivers
- 14 Massachusetts No Interest Loan
- 15 Other State
- **16** Gilbert Grant
- 17 Adams Scholarship
- **18** MSCBA Housing Grant
- 19 Early Educators Scholarship
- 20 One Family Scholarship
- 21 National Guard Tuition & Fee Assistance
- 22 Massachusetts Educational Rewards Grant
- 23 Math & Science Teachers Scholarship
- 24 Scholar-Internship Match Fund
- 25 Massachusetts GEAR UP Scholarship
- **26** Expanded Massachusetts No Interest Loan
- 27 Completion Incentive Grant Fund
- 28 Massachusetts High Demand Scholarship
- 29 State University Internship Incentive Program
- 30 DCF Adopted Children Fee Assistance
- 31 DCF Foster Children Fee Assistance

- Mass Transfer Waiver
 Paul E. Tsongas Scholarship Tuition Waiver
 Collaborative Teachers Tuition Waiver
 Career Advancement Tuition Waiver
 Veterans Tuition Waiver
 Commonwealth Commitment
 MASSGrant Plus

GEER Emergency Grant

Federal Programs

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- 40 Pell Grant
- 41 Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant
- 42 Robert Byrd Scholarship
- **43** Federal College Work Study
- 44 Perkins Loan
- 45 Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan
- 46 Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan
- 47 PLUS
- 48 Other Federal (Non-Title IV aid)
- 49 Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG)
- 50 Federal SMART Grant
- **51** TEACH Grant Program
- 52 Iraq Afghanistan Service Grant

Institutional Programs

- 80 Scholarships
- 81 Grants
- 82 Loans
- 83 Other Institutional Aid

Outside Aid

- 90 Scholarships
- 91 Grants
- 92 Parent Loans
- 93 Student Loans
- 99 Other

Definition

Each student may receive more than one type of aid. A separate record should be submitted for each type of aid that a student receives in a given year and term for an institution.

The award identifiers (AID016) values: 80 (Institutional Scholarships), 81 (Institutional Grants), 82 (Institutional Loans), 90 (Outside Scholarships), 91 (Outside Grants), 92 (Outside

Parent Loans), and 93 (Outside Student Loans) may represent more than one financial aid program. If you report more than one disbursed amount (AID018) for any of these award identifiers (AID016), you must report the award name (AID017)

For example, when reporting institutional grants "College Grant" and "President Grant", the correct award identifier is 81. If you report two records with award identifier 81, the award name **is required** to identify each record. The award name is **not required** if you sum the amounts of College Grant" and "President Grant" and report one record with award identifier 81. If the student only received 1 institutional grant, such as "College Grant", you should also supply the award name to identify the distinct award.

In the case of the "Other" types of aid: 15 (Other State), 48 (Other Federal), 83 (Other Institutional), and 99 (Outside Other), the award name (AID017) is **mandatory**.

In the case of award identifier 30 (DCF Adopted Children Fee Assistance) and 31 (DCF Foster Children Fee Assistance), the awards are for the fee amounts and the tuition waiver awards must be reported with the award identifier 13 (Other Tuition Waivers).

Instructions

Mandatory entry

Award Identifier = 99 (Other) may only be used if no other award identifier is valid (i.e., when reporting institutional grants "College Grant" and "President Grant", the correct award identifier is 81) If Award Identifier = 0 (No Award), then Awarded Amount (AID015) must = 0

If Award Identifier = 0, then no other records should be submitted for that institution, year, student and term. I.e., if a student was eligible for, but received no aid, as indicated by Award ID = 0, there should not be another record for that student in which he/she received aid in the specified term.

AID017 Award Name

The name of the award funded.

Data Type Alphanumeric **Length** Minimum 1 Maximum 32 Format Example

Code Descriptions

Can be either upper case or mixed case

Definition

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If Award Identifier (AID016) = 15 (Other State)
(AID016) = 48 (Other Federal)
(AID016) = 83 (Other Institutional)
(AID016) = 99 (Other)
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Award Name (AID017) must be populated

If Award Identifier (AID016) = 80 (Institutional Scholarships)
(AID016) = 81 (Institutional Grants)
(AID016) = 82 (Institutional Loans)
(AID016) = 90 (Outside Scholarships)
(AID016) = 91 (Outside Grants)
(AID016) = 92 (Outside Parent Loans)
(AID016) = 93 (Outside Student Loans)

Award Name (AID017) must be populated if the awards are not aggregated together

Instructions

Must be null if not Other (15, 48, 83, 99) or Institutional/Outside Aid (80, 81, 82, 90, 91, 92, 93)

Mandatory entry if Award Identifier (AID016) = Other: 15 (State), 48 (Federal), 83 (Institutional) or 99 (Other)

AID018	Disbursed	Amount		
	s disbursed an ifier (AID016)		e Term (AID)	003) being reported and specified by
Data Type:	Numeric	Length	Minimum 1 Maximum 6	Format Example 500
Code Descri	iptions			
If a student a	applied for and	l was eligibl	le for financia	al aid but received none, enter 0.
If a student ε	applied for and	l was either	not eligible o	r did not complete an application, enter 0
Definition				
Instructions	S			
Mandatory	entry			
Null values	results in file	rejection		

AID019 Tuition and Mandatory Fees

The student's tuition and mandatory fees amount for the Term (AID003) being reported.

Data Type: Numeric Length Minimum 1
Maximum 6

Format Example 5500

Code Descriptions

Supply the mandatory tuition and fees (not including room and board) that the student paid for the given term. In addition to general fees paid by all students regardless of program, fees specific to the student's course enrollment or program of study should be included.

Definition

Mandatory fees in this field refer to general fees paid by all students and fees specific to a program or course enrollment. Examples of program fees include per term fees for enrollment in high cost programs like practical nursing or occupational therapy. Examples of course fees include additional per course charges for culinary classes, science courses and other courses with instructional support fees.

Business Rules	Dependency
Mandatory entry for all students	
Tuition and Mandatory Fees should be the same for a given student, institution, fiscal year and term.	

A1D020	Books and	Supplies		
The student's b	ooks and su	ipplies amo	unt for the Ter	m (AID003) being reported.
Data Type: N	umeric	Length	Minimum 1 Maximum 6	Format Example 1500
Code Descript	ions			
Supply the bud	geted books	and suppli	es amount that	a student would pay for the given term.
Definition				
Instructions				
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Mandatory er	ntry for all	students		
Books and Sup a given studen term.				

AID021	Insurance					
The student'	s health insurance	ce amoun	t for the T	Γerm (AID0	003) being reported.	
Data Type:	Numeric	Length	Minimum 1 Maximum 6		Format Example 5500	
Code Descr	iptions					
Supply the s through the i		amount 1	that the st	rudent paid i	if he/she took health insurance	
Definition						
Instructions	S					
Insurance sl	entry for all st hould be the sam nt, institution, fis	ne for a	and			

AID022 Completed Application by Deadline

Indicates whether the student completed the application by the institution's published priority deadline.

Data Type: Alphanumeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example N

Code Descriptions

- N Student did not complete the financial aid application by the published deadline
- Y Student did complete the financial aid application by the published deadline

Definition

Instructions: Enter Y: If your institution has no priority deadline

Business Rules	Dependency
Mandatory entry	If AID022 = 'Y' and AID023 = 'Y' and AID024 = 'Y' then AID012 must equal 'Y'. If AID022 = 'N' or AID023 = 'N' or
Completed Application by Deadline must be the same for a given student, institution and fiscal year	AID024 = 'N' then AID012 must equal 'N'.

AID023 Met Academic Requirements

Indicates whether the student met all of the institutional academic program requirements.

Data Type: Alphanumeric Length Minimum 1 Format Example N

Code Descriptions

- N Student did not meet all the institutional academic program requirements
- Y Student did meet all the institutional academic program requirements

Definition

Business Rules	
Mandatory entry	If AID022 = 'Y' and AID023 = 'Y' and AID024 = 'Y' then AID012 must equal 'Y'. If AID022 = 'N' or AID023 = 'N' or
Met Academic Requirements must be the same for a given student, institution, fiscal year	AID024 = 'N' then AID012 must equal 'N'

AID024 Met Title IV Requirements

Indicates whether the student met all financial aid eligibility requirements for Title IV and State need-based aid.

Data Type: Alphanumeric **Length** Minimum 1 Maximum 1 Format Example N

Code Descriptions

N Student did not meet all financial aid eligibility requirements for Title IV and State need-based aid

Y Student did meet all financial aid eligibility requirements for Title IV and State need-based aid

Definition

Business Rules	Dependency
Mandatory entry	If AID022 = 'Y' and AID023 = 'Y' and AID024 = 'Y' then AID012 must equal 'Y'. If AID022 = 'N' or AID023 = 'N' or
Met Title IV Requirements must be the same for a given student, institution, fiscal year	AID024 = 'N' then AID012 must equal 'N'

AID025	Withdrew In	ndicator		
Indicates where the semester		t withdrev	v (officially o	or unofficially) or was dismissed during
Data Type:	Alphanumeric	Length	Minimum 1 Maximum 1	Format Example N
Code Desci	riptions			
	t did not withdraw t withdrew (offic			was dismissed during the semester
Definition				
Instruction	s			
Mandator	y entry			
	Indicator must student, institu erm		l	

AID026 Dependency Status			
Indicates whether the student is depend	ent on his/her	parents.	
Data Type: Alphanumenc Length	Minimum 1 Maximum 1	Format Example 1	
Code Descriptions			
1 Dependent.2 Independent			
Definition			
Instructions			
Mandatory entry for students with a completed application (AID013=Y)	1		
A blank value will indicate that there i completed application (AID013=N)	s no		
Dependency Status must be the sam for a given student, institution and f year	l l		

AID027 Adjusted Gross Income	
Student's or parent's adjusted gross incon	ne from the IRS return.
Data Type. Numeric Length	Format Example 45721
Code Descriptions	
Supply the student's or parent's adjusted	gross income from the IRS return.
Definition	
Instructions	
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Mandatory entry for students with a completed application (AID013=Y)	
A blank value will indicate that there is recompleted application (AID013=N)	О
Adjusted Gross Income must be the same for a given student, institution ar fiscal year	nd