

**Appendix D**  
**Parent Questionnaire**

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**1. What is your relationship to [9th grader]? Are you (his/her) biological (mother/father), adoptive (mother/father), step (mother/father) or someone else?**

- Biological Mother/Father
- Adoptive Mother/Father
- Stepmother/Stepfather
- Foster Mother/Father
- Female Partner of Parent/Guardian
- Male Partner of Parent/Guardian
- Grandmother/Grandfather
- Other Relative
- Other Guardian

**2. (If respondent is not a parent) Does one or both of [9th grader's] parents live in the same household as you and [9th grader]?**

- Yes, two parents
- Yes, one parent
- No, neither parent

**3. (If respondent is a parent or neither parent lives in 9th grader's household) Do you have a spouse or partner who lives in the same household as you and [9th grader]?**

- Yes, a spouse
- Yes, a partner
- No, not applicable

**4. (If respondent is a parent who has a spouse or partner OR respondent is not a parent but one or both parents live in household) What is (your spouse's/your partner's/this parent's/these parents') relationship to [9th grader]?**

- Biological Mother/Father
- Adoptive Mother/Father
- Stepmother/Stepfather
- Foster Mother/Father
- Grandmother/Grandfather
- Other Female Relative
- Other Male Relative
- Other Female Guardian
- Other Male Guardian

**5. (If respondent is only parent in household) What is your current marital status? OR (If respondent is not a parent)**

- Married
- Divorced
- Separated
- Never Married
- Widowed
- Don't Know

**6. What is [9th grader's] parents' current marital status? Are they?**

- Married
- Divorced
- Unmarried partners
- Separated
- Never Married
- Widowed
- Don't Know

**7. How much of the time does [9th grader] live with you (and your spouse/and your partner/and (his/her) parents)?**

- All of the time → Skip to Q9
- More than half of the time
- Half of the time
- Less than half of the time
- None of the time

**8. With whom does [9th grader] live most of the time when (he/she) does not live with you?**

- With his/her other parent(s)
- With another adult relative
- With a friend
- At boarding school
- With a nonrelated adult guardian(s)
- By himself/herself
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**9a. How many brothers and sisters does [9th grader] have? Consider all siblings, including half- and step- and adoptive brothers and sisters, regardless of where they live.**

	<b>None</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6 or more</b>
a. Full and/or adoptive brother(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Half-brother(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Step-brother(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Full and/or adoptive sister(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Half-sister(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Step-sister(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**9b. How many of these siblings are older than [9th grader]?**

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**10. Including yourself and your 9<sup>th</sup> grader, how many people living in your household are...**

- a. Under the age of 18
- b. 18 years of age or older

**11. Are you Hispanic or Latino/Latina?**

- Yes → Go to question 12
- No → Skip to question 13

**12. (If yes) Which one of the following are you?**

- Mexican, Mexican-American or Chicano
- Other Hispanic

**13. Please select one or more of the following choices to best describe your race.**

- White → Skip to Q15
- Black/African American → Skip to Q15
- Asian → Go to Q14
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander → Skip to Q15
- American Indian or Alaska Native → Skip to Q15

**14. (If Asian) Which one of the following are you?**

- Chinese
- Filipino
- Southeast Asian (Vietnamese, Thai, etc.)
- South Asian (Asian Indian, Sri Lankan, etc.)
- Other Asian

**15. Is your (spouse/partner) Hispanic or (Latino/Latina)?**

- Yes → Go to Q16
- No → Skip to Q17

**16. If yes: If your (spouse/partner) is Hispanic or Latino/Latina, please select one of the following choices best describes him/her:**

- Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano
- Other Hispanic or Other Latino/Latina

**17. Please select one or more of the following choices to best describe your (spouse's/partner's) race. Is (he/she)...?**

- White → Skip to Q19
- Black/African American → Skip to Q19
- Asian → Go to Q18
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander → Skip to Q19
- American Indian or Alaska Native → Skip to Q19

**18. If you marked Asian, which of the following is your spouse/partner?**

- Chinese
- Filipino
- Southeast Asian (Vietnamese, Thai, etc.)
- South Asian (Asian Indian, Sri Lankan, etc.)
- Other Asian

**19. (33) In what year (were you/was [9th grader's] mother) born?**

**Year**

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**20. (19) In what country (were you/was [9th grader's] mother) born?**

- U.S → Skip to question 22
- Not born in US → Go to question 21

**21. (20) (If not born in U.S.) In what year did (you/she) come to the United States to stay permanently?**

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Years

**22. (34) In what year (were you/was [9th grader's] father) born?**

**Year**

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**23. (21) In what country (were you/ was [9th grader's] father) born?**

- U.S → Skip to question 25
- Not born in US → Go to question 24

**24. (22) (If not born in U.S.) In what year did (you/he) come to the United States to stay permanently?**

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Years

**25. (23) In what country was [9th grader] born?**

- U.S → Skip to question 28
- Not born in US → Go to question 26

**26. (24) (If not born in U.S.) In what year did [9th grader] come to the United States to stay permanently?**

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Years

**27. (25) What grade was (he/she) placed in when (he/she) started school in the United States?**

- Pre-K
- K
- 1-9

**28. (26) Is any language other than English regularly spoken in your home?**

- Yes → Go to question 29
- No → Skip to question 33

**29. (27) (If yes) What languages other than English are spoken in your home?**

**Select all that apply.**

- Spanish
- Another European language (for example, French, German, Russian, etc.)
- A Chinese language
- A Filipino language
- A Southeast Asian language (for example, Vietnamese, Thai, etc.)
- A South Asian Language (for example, Hindi, Tamil)
- Another Asian Language (for example, Japanese, Korean)
- A Middle Eastern Language (for example, Arabic, Farsi)
- Other

**30. (28) Is English also spoken in your home?**

- Yes → Go to question 31
- No → If more than one non-English language spoken go to 31, otherwise skip to question 33

**31. (29) (If yes) What language does [9th grader] usually speak to you in your home?**

- English
- Spanish
- Another European language (for example, French, German, Russian, etc.)
- A Chinese language
- A Filipino language
- A Southeast Asian language (for example, Vietnamese, Cambodian, etc.)
- A South Asian Language (for example, Hindi, Tamil)
- Another Asian Language (for example, Japanese, Korean)
- A Middle Eastern Language (for example, Arabic, Farsi)
- other specify \_\_\_\_\_

**32. (30) (If yes) What language do you usually speak to [9th grader] in your home?**

- English
- Spanish
- Another European language (for example, French, German, Russian, etc.)
- A Chinese language
- A Filipino language
- A Southeast Asian language (for example, Vietnamese, Cambodian, etc.)
- A South Asian Language (for example, Hindi, Tamil)
- Another Asian Language (for example, Japanese, Korean)
- A Middle Eastern Language (for example, Arabic, Farsi)
- other specify \_\_\_\_\_

**33. (31) Has [9th grader] ever been enrolled in an English as a Second Language (ESL) program?**

- Yes → Go to question 34
- No → Skip to question 35
- Don't know → Skip to question 35

**34. (32) (If yes) Is [9th grader] currently enrolled in an English as a Second Language (ESL) program?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know



**35. What is the highest level of education you have reached? (Mark one)**

- a. Did not finish high school
- b. Graduated from high school or equivalent (GED)
- c. Started but have not completed a degree from a 2-year school or college (such as a vocational or technical school or a junior or community college)
- d. Graduated from a 2-year school (such as a vocational or technical school, a junior college, or a community college)
- e. Started but have not completed a 4-year college degree
- f. Graduated from a 4-year college
- g. Started but have not completed a Master's degree
- h. Completed a Master's degree or equivalent
- i. Started but have not completed a Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced professional degree program
- j. Completed a Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced professional degree

**36. (If at least associate's degree) What was your major area of study for your [highest degree]?**

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**37. What is the highest level of education (your spouse/your partner/[9th-grader’s] father) has completed? (Mark one)**

- a. Did not finish high school O
- b. Graduated from high school or equivalent (GED) O
- c. Started but have not completed a degree from a 2-year school or college (such as a vocational or technical school or a junior or community college) O
- d. Graduated from a 2-year school (such as a vocational or technical school, a junior college, or a community college) O
- e. Started but have not completed a 4-year college degree O
- f. Graduated from a 4-year college O
- g. Started but have not completed a Master’s degree O
- h. Completed a Master’s degree or equivalent O
- i. Started but have not completed a Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced professional degree program O
- j. Completed a Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced professional degree O

**38. (If at least associate’s degree) What was (his/her) major area of study for (his/her) [highest degree]?**

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**39. During the past week, did (you/[9th grader’s] mother) hold a job for pay or income?**

- Yes → Go to question 40
- No → Skip to question 43
- Not applicable → Skip to question 43

**40. (If yes) About how many total hours per week do (you/[9th grader’s] mother) usually work for pay or income, counting all jobs?**

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Total hours per week

**41. What is (your/her) job title? If (you/she) had more than one job, describe the one at which (you/she) worked the most hours.**

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**42. What (do you/does she) actually do in that job? That is, what are (your/her) main activities or duties?**

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**43. During the past week, did (your spouse/your partner/[9th grader's] father) hold a job for pay or income?**

- Yes → Go to question 44
- No → Skip to question 47

**44. (If yes) About how many total hours per week does (your spouse/your partner/[9th grader's] father) usually work for pay or income, counting all jobs?**

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Total hours per week

**45. What is (his/her) job title? If (he/she) had more than one job, describe the one at which (he/she) worked the most hours.**

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**46. What (do you/does he) actually do in that job? That is, what are (your/his) main activities or duties?**

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**47. What was your total household income from all sources (including income from work, investment income, alimony, etc.) prior to taxes and deductions in calendar year 2008?**

**(Verbatim) (if verbatim refused, ask 48)**

**48. (If 47 refused) Please indicate the range that best estimates your total household income from all sources (including income from work, investments, alimony, etc.), prior to taxes and deductions, for calendar year 2007.**

- \$14,999 or less
- \$15,000 - \$34,999
- \$35,000 - \$54,999
- \$55,000 - \$74,999
- \$75,000 - \$94,999
- \$95,000 - \$114,999
- \$115,000 - \$134,999
- \$135,000 - \$154,999
- \$155,000 - \$174,999
- \$175,000 - \$194,999
- \$195,000 - \$214,999
- \$215,000 - \$234,999
- \$235,000 and above

**49. Do you?**

- Own or pay mortgage on your home
- Rent your home
- Or have some other arrangement

**50. Since starting kindergarten, has [9th grader] repeated any grades?**

- Yes → Go to question 51
- No → Skip to question 52

**51. (If yes) What grades did (he/she) repeat? (Mark all that apply)**

- Kindergarten
- 1st Grade
- 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade
- 4th Grade
- 5th Grade
- 6th Grade
- 7th Grade
- 8th Grade
- 9th Grade

**52. Since starting kindergarten, has [9th grader] skipped any grades?**

- Yes → Go to Question 53
- No → Skip to Question 54

**53. (If yes) What grade(s) did (he/she) skip? (Mark all that apply)**

- Kindergarten
- 1st Grade
- 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade
- 4th Grade
- 5th Grade
- 6th Grade
- 7th Grade
- 8th Grade

**54. How many times has [9th grader] changed schools since he/she first entered school? Do not count changes that occurred as a result of promotion to the next grade or level (for example, a move from an elementary school to from a middle school or from a middle school to a high school in the same district). Please enter zero if your 9th grader has not changed schools except for promotion.**

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Total times changed  
schools

**55. Since the first grade, has [9th grader] ever stopped going to school for a period of a month or more other than for illness, injury or vacation?**

- Yes
- No

**56. Since the first grade, has [9th grader] ever been suspended (not counting detentions) or expelled from school?**

- Yes
- No

**57. During the last school year, how many times did [9th grader's] school contact you (or your spouse/partner) about...?**

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
a. [9th grader's] behavior in school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. [9th grader's] attendance record at school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. [9th grader's] academic performance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**58. Did [9th grader] take algebra in either the 7th or 8th grade?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**59. (71) From the start of 8th grade until now, did [9th grader] have any academic instruction outside of school such as from a Saturday Academy, learning center, personal tutor or summer school program?**

- Yes → Go to Question 60
- No → Skip to Question 62

**60. (72) (If yes) In what subjects was this instruction?**

- Reading
- Math
- Science
- Writing
- Other (specify)\_\_\_\_\_

**61. (73) Was the purpose of any of this instruction to help your 9th grader catch up in school?**

- Yes
- No

**62. (67) Does your [9th grader] currently have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP)?**

- Yes..... → Go to question 63
- No ..... → Skip to question 64
- Don't know ..... → Skip to question 64

**63. (68) What is the main disability category for your 9th grader's IEP? (Mark one)**

- Autism
- Deafness
- Deaf-blindness
- Emotional disturbance
- Hearing impairment
- Learning disability
- Mental retardation
- Multiple disabilities
- Orthopedic impairment
- Other health impairment
- Speech or language impairment
- Traumatic brain injury
- Visual impairment (including blindness)

**64. (69) Has [9th grader] ever been diagnosed by a doctor as having a specific learning disability?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**65. (66) In your opinion, does [9th grader] have a specific learning disability?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**66. (70) Is [9th grader] currently enrolled in a gifted and talented education (GATE) program?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**67. (59) How often did you talk with other parents about teachers, courses, or school events...?**

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
a. at [9th grader's] 8th grade school?	O	O	O	O
b. at [9th grader's] current school?	O	O	O	O

**68. (60) Did you (or your spouse/partner) attend an open house or orientation at [9th grader's] high school before this school year began?**

- Yes
- No

**69. (61) Did you request that [9th grader] get or not get a particular 9th grade teacher or course at (his/her) high school?**

- Yes
- No

**70. (62) In the past year, how often did you (and your spouse/partner) discuss the following subjects with [9th grader]?**

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
a. Selecting courses or programs at school	O	O	O	O
b. School activities or events	O	O	O	O
c. Things [9th grader] has studied in class	O	O	O	O
d. [9th grader's] grades	O	O	O	O
e. Your [9th grader's] plans after leaving high school	O	O	O	O
f. Applying to colleges or other schools after high school	O	O	O	O
g. Jobs [9th grader] might like to have when (he/she) grows up	O	O	O	O



**71. (63) How much influence do you think you have on the choices [9th grader] makes about school?**

- None
- A little
- Some
- A lot

**72. (X1) During the last school year, how often did you and your spouse/partner help [9th grader] with his/her homework?**

- Never
- Less than once a week
- Once or twice a week
- 3 or 4 times a week
- 5 or more times a week

**73. (X2) How confident do you feel about your ability to help [9th grader] in each of the following subjects?**

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not at all confident
a. The math your 9th grader has this year <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
b. The science your 9th grader has this year <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	
c. The English composition, literature, or reading your 9th grader has this year <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	

**74. (64) Are there family rules that are enforced for [9th grader] about the following activities?**

	Yes	No
a. Earning acceptable grades in school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Doing homework	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**75. (X3) Do you or [9th grader's] (mother/stepmother/foster mother/father/stepfather/foster father) (or another adult in your household) check to see that (his/her) homework is done?**

- Yes
- No

**76. (65) In a typical week, what is the latest [9th grader] can stay out on school nights (Sunday - Thursday)?**

- Not allowed out
- No later than 8:00 PM
- No later than 9:00 PM
- No later than 10:00 PM
- No later than 11:00 PM
- No later than midnight
- As late as (he/she) wants

**77. (74) During the last 12 months, has [9th grader] participated in any of the following activities outside of school?**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
a. Music, dance, art, or theater	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Organized sports supervised by an adult	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Religious youth group or religious instruction	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Scouting or another group or club activity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. A math or science camp	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Another camp	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Any other regular activities or lessons	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**78. (75) In the past year, that is, since {month, day}, has anyone in your family done the following activities with your 9th grader?**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
a. Visited a zoo, planetarium, natural history museum, transportation museum, or a similar museum?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Worked or played on a computer together?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Built or fixed something such as a vehicle or appliance?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Attended a school science fair?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Helped [9th grader] with a school science fair project?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Discussed a program or article about math, science, or technology?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Another science, technology, engineering	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

or math-related activity? (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**79. (76) How would you compare boys and girls in...?**

	<b>Girls are much better</b>	<b>Girls are somewhat better</b>	<b>Girls and boys are the same</b>	<b>Boys are somewhat better</b>	<b>Boys are much better</b>
a. Reading	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Math	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Writing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Science	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**80. (78) How far in school do you want [9th grader] to go? (Please mark only the highest level that applies)**

- Did not finish high school
- Graduated from high school or equivalent (GED)
- Started but have not completed a degree from a 2-year school or college (such as a vocational or technical school or a junior or community college)
- Graduated from a 2-year school (such as a vocational or technical school, a junior college, or a community college)
- Started but have not completed a 4-year college degree
- Graduated from a 4-year college
- Started but have not completed a Master's degree
- Completed a Master's degree or equivalent
- Started but have not completed a Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced professional degree program
- Completed a Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced professional degree

**81. (79) As things stand now, how far in school do you think [9th grader] will actually get? (Please mark only the highest level that applies)**

- Not finish high school.
- Graduate from high school or equivalent (GED)
- Graduate from high school and attend a 2-year school (such as a vocational or technical school, a junior college, or a community college) but not complete a degree
- Graduate from a 2-year school (such as a vocational or technical school, a junior college, or a community college)
- Graduate from high school and go to college but not complete a 4-year degree
- Graduate from college
- Obtain a Master's degree or equivalent
- Obtain a PhD, MD, or other advanced degree
- Don't know

**82. (80) (If thinks 9th grader will continue education after high school) Do you think [9th grader] will start (his/her) college education at a:**

- Vocational or trade school
- 2-year school
- 4-year school
- I have not thought about this yet

**83. (81) Do you or does anyone in your family plan to help [9th grader] pay for (his/her) education after high school?**

- Yes
- No
- Or you have not thought about this yet?

**84. (77) How important do you think the following subjects are for your 9th grader to meet (her/his) educational goals?**

	<b>Extremely Important</b>	<b>Important</b>	<b>Somewhat Important</b>	<b>Unimportant</b>
a. Reading	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Math	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Writing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Science	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**85. (82) Did anyone help you to complete this questionnaire?**

- Yes → Go to Q86
- No → Skip to Q87

**86. (83) Who assisted with questionnaire completion?**

- My ninth grader named on the front cover
- Another family member
- One of my friends
- Another person in the community

**87. (84) Parent's Name**

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**Last Name    First Name    MI**

**88. (85) Address**

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**(Include number, street, apartment number, P.O. Box, etc.)**

\_\_\_\_\_

**City,                    State,                    Zip code**

**89. (86) Home telephone**

(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Area Code**

**90. (87) Business phone**

(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_

**Area Code**

**91. (88) Cell phone**

(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Area Code**

**92. (89) E-mail address**

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93. (90) SSN

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94. (91) Student's SSN

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95. (92) Nonresident parent's name

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Last Name First Name MI

96. (93) Address

\_\_\_\_\_

(Include number, street, apartment number, P.O. Box, etc)

\_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip code

97. (94) Home telephone

(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Area Code

98. (95) Business phone

(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_

Area Code

99. (96) Relative's name

\_\_\_\_\_

Last Name First Name MI

**100. (97) Address**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Include number, street, apartment number, P.O. Box, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip code

**101. (98) Home Telephone**

(\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code

**102. (99) Relative's relationship to parent**

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**103. (100) Close friend's name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name MI

**104. (101) Address**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Include number, street, apartment number, P.O. Box, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip code

**105. (102) Home Telephone**

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