

**Financial Aid**

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# Request To Apply For Financial Aid Without Parent Information

Based on the guidelines set by the U.S. Department of Education you are a dependent student if you are under the age of 24 and answered "No" to the dependency questions on the FAFSA. We do recognize that there are special circumstance in which students are not able to obtain parents information. For this reason we offer a way to request to apply for financial aid without parent information.

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **L#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guidelines:** You must clearly demonstrate an adverse family situation in order to be considered independent for financial aid purposes. Adverse family situations may include: physical or emotional abuse, severe estrangement, abandonment, parental drug or alcohol abuse, mental incapacity or other circumstances.

**Federal guidelines stipulate the following conditions do not qualify as circumstances meriting a dependency override:**

- Parent refusal to contribute to the students education
- Parent unwillingness to provide information on the FAFSA or to provide required verification documentation
- Parent does not claim student as a dependent for income tax purposes
- Student demonstrates total self-sufficiency

### Unusual Circumstance and Requested Documentation

For each parent check the appropriate unusual circumstance and provide the requested documentation.

Parent 1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent 2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_

| Parent 1                 | Parent 2                 | Circumstance                  | Requested Documentation   |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Parent is deceased            | A copy of parents death certificate   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Parent is incarcerated        | Documentation that verifies the parent is incarcerated and lists the parents anticipated release date |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Unusual parental circumstance | A written statement from a third party professional that knows the students current situation         |

When did you last live with your parents?..... \_\_\_\_\_

When did your parents last provide any monetary support for you?..... \_\_\_\_\_

Who do you live with at the present time?..... \_\_\_\_\_

What date was the last time you had contact with your parents?..... Parent 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent 2: \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you have contact with your parents?..... Parent 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Where do your parents live?..... Parent 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent 2: \_\_\_\_\_

**Typed Statement:** Please attach a typed explanation of the extenuating circumstance(s) and history of your parental situation. Include why you no longer live with your parents and why they no longer support you. You must include documentation supporting your statement i.e. death certificate, letter from therapist, court documents, etc.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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| For school use only   |
| ( ) Approved Date _____ ( ) Pending Date _____ ( ) Denied Date _____ Advisor: _____ |
| Notes: _____  |