

2017-2018 Independent Status Verification Worksheet

Student ID#: @_____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

According to our records, you answered “YES” to one of the following questions that determine your dependency status. If you selected “YES,” please indicate which situation applies to you and provide official documentation to support your claim. If those circumstances do not apply to you, please select “NO” on Page 2.

| Independent Circumstance | Explanation of Circumstances | Documentation Required |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ward of the Court | At any time since the age of 13, I was a dependent or ward of the court. | Legal court documents showing that you were a dependent or ward of the court. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care | At any time since age 13, I was in foster care. | Official documentation from court or Dept. of Children and Families indicating you were in Foster Care. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Orphan | At any time since age 13, both your parents were deceased. | Attach copies of both parent’s death certificate(s) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emancipated Minor | Upon reaching the age of 18, I was released from the control of my parent or guardian. | Official court documentation to support your claim. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Guardianship | I am no longer in the custody of my biological parents AND I am in the custody of a legal guardian. | Official court documentation to support your claim. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Homeless/Unaccompanied Minor | At any time after July 1, 2016, I am an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or at risk of being homeless. | Official documentation from a school district homeless liaison, the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program. |



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NO, I made a mistake on my FAFSA and none of the above circumstances apply to me. I authorize corrections to be made to my Student Aid Report.

By signing this form, I certify that all information reported to qualify for Federal Student Aid is complete and correct.

Student Signature

Date

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