



**2026-2027**

**Documentation of Independent Status**

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According to your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) you indicated that you are an Independent student. Please complete this form according to the instructions, to document your status.

**Instructions:**

1. Review each question
2. Check the situation that best describes your circumstances
3. Gather the appropriate documentation
4. Submit this form and documentation to the Financial Aid Office
5. Additional information or documentation may be requested, if necessary, to complete your file

**\*Students must submit a copy of your state-issued driver’s license or ID.\***

**A. Student Information**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SSN/ID:** \_\_\_\_\_

Check if Applicable	Situation	Required Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/>	At any time since you turned age 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care or were you a dependent or ward of the court?	Copy of death notice or certificate for each parent OR Copy of Court’s decision of foster care placement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you or were you an emancipated minor as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?	Copy of Court’s decision of emancipation.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you or were you in legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?	Copy of Court’s decision of legal guardianship
<input type="checkbox"/>	At any time on or after July 1, 2025, did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?	Letter from high school or school district homeless liaison who determined you were an unaccompanied, homeless minor.
<input type="checkbox"/>	At any time on or after July 1, 2025, did the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?	Letter from the director of the emergency shelter or transitional living program who determined you were an unaccompanied, homeless minor.
<input type="checkbox"/>	At any time on or after July 1, 2025, did the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?	Letter from the director of the youth center or transitional living program who determined you were an unaccompanied, homeless minor.

**B. Certification Statement**

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that purposely providing false or misleading information on this form may result in a denial or repayment of financial aid in this and/or future years, or fines and/or imprisonment.

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

\*Electronic Signatures Not Accepted\*