



Student ID #: _____

Date received: _____

2023 – 2024 Self-supporting Status Form – Documentation of INDEPENDENCE

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Student Name	Student Signature			Last 4 digits of SSN
Street Address	City	State	Zip	Current phone/cell

Please provide the additional information required to confirm your independent status and complete your file and/or verification. You MUST provide documentation to show your independent status:

- You are married.**
 1. Provide a copy of your marriage certificate with this form.
- You have children (or other dependents not including spouse) who live with you and will receive more than half of their support from you from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.**
 1. Provide a copy of dependent’s birth certificate, AND
 2. Provide evidence of support provided such as: a tax return showing you claimed a dependent as a tax exemption in 2022; provide documentation showing payment of childcare expenses; payment of dependent’s medical expenses; insurance coverage, AND
 3. Provide evidence you have sufficient income to support yourself and the dependent(s); pay stub, social security statement(s), tax return showing wages earned
- Both of your parents were deceased when you were 13 years or older.**
 1. Please provide a copy of death certificate(s).
- You were (at age 13 or beyond) a ward/dependent of the court or in foster care.**
 1. Please provide a copy of the court order, or the statement of a state or county child welfare agency or the statement of a private provider agency that delivers child welfare services or the statement from an attorney, guardian ad litem or court appointed special advocate documenting the person’s relationship to the student as well as the latter’s foster youth status.
- You are a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces and/or are engaged in active duty.**
 1. Provide a copy of your DD214 long form or documentation of active duty status.
- You are an emancipated minor or are in a legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence at the time you completed your FAFSA application.** (Note: If the court order is no longer in effect you may not be considered independent)
 1. Provide copy of court order.
- You are/were an unaccompanied youth who is/was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless on or after July 1, 2022.** Please provide proof of:
 1. Determination made by your high school or school district homeless liaison on/after July 1, 2022.
- You are/were an unaccompanied youth who is/was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless on or after July 1, 2022.** Please provide proof of:
 1. Determination made by the director of an emergency shelter or transitional living program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on/after July 1, 2022.

If you do not meet any of the listed criteria, you will need to correct your FAFSA application at studentaid.gov by adding parent financial information.