



2024-2025 Dependency Status Appeal

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Dependency Status for Financial Aid

If you're under 24 and your situation doesn't fit the rules for being independent on the FAFSA or WASFA, you have to give your parents' information. But if something unusual is going on, like if it's unsafe for you to get your parents' information or you're on your own without stable housing, you can ask for an exception called a dependency override.

However, the Financial Aid Office CANNOT approve a dependency override just because your parents won't share their information on the FAFSA or WASFA, you're not on their taxes anymore, or you're supporting yourself (unless you're at risk of being homeless).

Student Information

Last Name	First Name	Student ID#
Phone Number	Email Address	

How to Complete this Appeal

- Make sure you submitted your 2024-2025 [FAFSA](#) or [WASFA](#) without parental data. If you need help completing your FAFSA or WASFA, please contact Financial Aid Office.
- Get an adult who knows about your situation (like a teacher, counselor, doctor, religious leader, prison boss, government worker, or judge) to write a signed letter of support for you. Send that to the Financial Aid Office with your appeal.
- Once you've handed in all the papers we asked for, we'll send you an email to let you know if your appeal got accepted or if we need more information. Make sure to check [your preferred email selected in ctcLink](#) for any updates about your financial aid application.

Description of Parental Relationship and Living Circumstances

1. Where is your biological or adoptive mother right now, if you know? When was the last time you talked to her? Is she helping you out with any kind of financial support?

2. Where is your biological or adoptive father right now, if you know? When was the last time you talked to him? Is he helping you out with any kind of financial support?

3. Why are you unable to give your parents' information on your FAFSA or WASFA?

4. Tell us about where you live now and how long you've been there. Are you sharing an apartment with a roommate, staying with family or a partner for a while, living in your car, staying at a shelter, or something else?

Certification and Signature

I certify that the information provided in this appeal and other financial aid documents is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that purposely giving false or misleading information may result in fines, imprisonment, or both.

Student First and Last Name

Student Signature

Date

Typed signatures will not be accepted. Signatures must be drawn electronically or signed with a pen.

How to Submit This Form

- Upload this form and any supporting documents through [our secure document upload tool](#). Documents submitted via email will not be accepted for security reasons.

Financial Aid Office Use Only:

Approved Denied Incomplete: Missing _____

Comments:

Financial Aid Signature _____

Date _____

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