



Student Name _____ Student SSN _____

According to our records, you indicated on the 2012-13 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) that you are an independent student because you met one of the following criteria and will need to submit confirming documentation to the Financial Aid Office, as indicated below:

√	Independent Status Eligibility Criteria (check one)	Supporting Documentation Required
	At any time since you turned 13, both your parents were deceased (biological or adoptive), even if you are now adopted	Copy of parents' death certificate(s)
	At any time since you turned 13, you were in foster care, even if you are no longer in foster care today	Copy of official documentation from the court confirming your status in foster care
	At any time since you turned 13, you were a dependent/ward of the court, which mean the court determined that your parent(s) were unable to care for you. You were removed from your parents' custody for you protection	Copy of official documentation from the court confirming your status as a dependent/ward of the court
	As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, you are or were (before you reached the aide of being adult in your state) an emancipated minor	Copy of the court documentation confirming emancipation status and the effective date(s) of the status
	As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, you are or were(before you reached the aide of being adult in your state) legal guardianship	Copy of the court documentation confirming your status of being in a legal guardianship and the effective dates of the status
	At anytime on or after July 1, 2011, you received a determination from your high school or school district homeless liaison that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless	Copy of the determination documentation from the high school or school district homeless liaison confirming this status
	At anytime on or after July 1, 2011, you received a determination from the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless	Copy of the determination documentation from the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development confirming this status
	At anytime on or after July 1, 2011, you received a determination from the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless	Copy of the determination documentation determination from the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program confirming this status