



Documentation of Legal Guardianship Status (2021-2022)

Student's Name: _____

Student's ID: _____

Your status for financial aid as an independent student is based solely on your answer to the question on the 2021-2022 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) regarding your "Legal Guardianship" status. Please submit legal documentation verifying your status.

To verify your **Legal Guardianship** status, you must submit a copy of the court order that granted you this status before you reached the age of being considered an adult in the eyes of the law in your state. The court order must be from your state of legal residence at the time the court's decision was issued. (Please note: If you are still a minor and the court decision is no longer in effect, or the court decision was not in effect at the time you became an adult, or your guardianship was temporary, you would not be eligible to claim this status.)

Check the appropriate statement below, attach the required documents, and return the form to this office so that we may continue the processing of your financial aid paperwork.

- I am in legal guardianship (or was in legal guardianship immediately before I reached the age of being an adult). Attached is a copy of the court order that granted the legal guardianship.
- I answered the Legal Guardianship question incorrectly on the FAFSA. I have corrected the FAFSA to indicate that I am not in legal guardianship and have also included parent information as well as the parent signature on my FAFSA. Attached is a copy of my corrected FAFSA/Student Aid Report.

Student's Signature

Date