



2011-2012 Dependency Status Verification

Student Information:

Name: _____ SSN or ID#: _____

When you completed the 2011-2012 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) you answered "yes" to one of the questions in Section A. The responses to these questions are used to determine if you will need to provide parental information.

Review the following questions in Section A and confirm your answer by checking the box next to the question you answered "yes" to on the FAFSA. Once you have confirmed your answer, go to Section B to determine the appropriate documentation you will need to submit to the Financial Aid Office.

Section A:

1. You had no living parent (biological or adoptive) at any time since you turned 13, even if you are now adopted.
2. You were in foster care at any time since you turned age 13, even if you are no longer in foster care as of today.
3. You were a dependent or ward of the court at any time since you turned age 13, even if you are no longer a dependent or ward of the court as of today.
4. As of today you are an Emancipated minor as determined by a court in your state of legal residence or are in a legal guardianship. Also, answer yes if you were an emancipated minor or were in legal guardianship immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state. *(If you are still a minor and the court decision is no longer in effect or the court decision was not in effect at the time you became an adult, then you are not considered Independent for Financial Aid Purposes)*
5. At any time on or after July 1, 2010, your high school or school district homeless liaison determined that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless (complete enclosed Certification Worksheet).
6. At any time on or after July 1, 2010, the director of an emergency shelter program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determined that you were an unaccompanied youth who was Homeless (complete enclosed Certification Worksheet).
7. At any time on or after July 1, 2010, the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determined that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless (complete enclosed Certification Worksheet).
8. None of the above (your parent must complete the parent section of the FAFSA). If you are not able to provide parental information and you are required to do so, please contact the financial aid office immediately.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE REVERSE SIDE

Section B: Required Documentation

The financial aid office requires the following supporting documentation regarding your dependency status before we can finalize your award.

* If you checked boxes 1, 2, 3 or 4 in Section A please submit the appropriate documentation to verify your dependency status

- No living parent – *Please provide supporting documentation from a third party such as, a high school counselor, foster parent, clergy, family member, regarding your status.*
- Foster Care/Ward of the Court – *Please provide supporting documentation from a third party i.e., high school counselor, foster parent, clergy, family member, regarding your Foster Care/Dependent/Ward of the Court Status.*
- Emancipated minor/Legal Guardianship – *Please provide a copy of a court's decision that as of today you are an emancipated minor or are in legal guardianship. You will also need to provide us with documentation of the court's decision that you were an emancipated minor or were in legal guardianship immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state. The court must be located in your state of legal residence at the time the court's decision was issued. Please describe briefly the reason for the legal guardianship or emancipated minor status.*

* If you checked boxes 5, 6, or 7 in Section A, complete the attached **2011-2012 Unaccompanied Youth Certification Worksheet** (with appropriate signatures) and return to the Financial Aid Office.

Student Signature

Date

Return to: Champlain College
Financial Aid Office
PO Box 670
Burlington, VT 05402-0670
Fax: (802) 860-2775
Email: finaid@champlain.edu



2011-2012 Unaccompanied Youth Certification Worksheet

Student Information:

Name: _____ SSN or ID#: _____

You indicated on the 2011-2012 Free Application for Federal Student Aid that you were determined to be an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or at risk of homelessness for a period of time on or after July 1, 2010. Please verify the information below and have the form certified by the appropriate official.

1. At any time on or after July 1, 2010, did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?

Yes No

2. At any time on or after July 1, 2010, did the director of an emergency shelter program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?

Yes No

3. At any time on or after July 1, 2010, 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?

Yes No

Student Signature

Date

Official's Certification

This section is to be completed by your high school/ school district homeless liaison, the director of an emergency shelter, or the director of a runaway/homeless youth basic center.

By signing this Verification Form, I certify that all of the information reported on it is complete and correct.

Certifying Official's Signature

Date

Printed Name

Title

Employer _____

Telephone _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

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