

## 2026-2027 Special Circumstance Request – Dependent

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student's ID# \_\_\_\_\_

**Submitting an appeal does not guarantee an adjustment will be made to your financial aid package.**

Special consideration may be available if your family's current financial situation is not accurately reflected by the 2024 tax information reported on your FAFSA. To request a review of your financial eligibility you must have completed verification (if selected), submit a signed detailed letter explaining the situation and required documentation as outlined below. Forms received without a signed detailed letter of explanation and proper documentation will be returned to the student without being processed. **Please use black or blue ink.**

### Checklist for ALL appeals:

- Parent(s) 2025 Federal Tax Return (signed), Schedule 1 and 3 (if applicable) or IRS 2025 Tax Transcript
- Signed letter detailing the special circumstance
- Parent(s) most recent paystub(s)

**Section A: Criteria for Consideration** *Check all circumstances you would like to be considered and submit required documentation. The documentation listed below is not an inclusive list. Additional information may be requested on a case-by-case basis.*

### Death of parent

Name of Deceased: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of death: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

- Death Certificate or Obituary
- Parent(s) 2024 Federal Tax Return (signed), Schedule 1 and 3 (if applicable)
- Parent(s) 2024 W2s

### Parent divorce/separation

Date of divorce/separation: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Name of parent who will provide more than half of your financial support: \_\_\_\_\_

Number in named parent's family: \_\_\_\_\_ (include student, parent, any other dependent children, and other people living with the parent)

- Divorce Decree or letter from attorney OR proof of separate residences
  - utility bills, mortgage statements, rental agreement etc.
- Parent(s) 2024 Federal Tax Return (signed), Schedule 1 and 3 (if applicable)
- Parent(s) 2024 W2s

### Parent is retired, unemployed for at least 12 weeks, or has a change in employment resulting in an income reduction

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

- Unemployment Documentation (if applicable)
- Documentation of situation

### Loss of benefits, such as unemployment, disability, social security, veterans, child support, or alimony

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

- Documentation of situation

### Non-recurring payments received during the FAFSA tax year will not be repeated

Type of Income: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

- Documentation of situation

## Section B: Income

### Estimated Income from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026

	Parent 1	Parent 2
2026 Income earned from work.....	\$ _____	\$ _____

#### Other Taxable Income/Benefits

Interest/Dividends.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Alimony.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Capital Gains.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Pensions.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Unemployment Compensation.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Veteran Benefits.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other (list) .....	\$ _____	\$ _____

#### Expected Untaxed Income/Benefits

Social Security.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
TANF.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Child Support.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Worker's Compensation.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Military Benefits.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other.....	\$ _____	\$ _____

#### Asset Information (As of today)

Cash, Savings and Checking Account Balance.....	\$ _____	\$ _____
Net Worth of Investments Including Real Estate..... (Exclude your primary residence)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Net Worth of Business and Farms..... (Exclude the value of your farm if you actively farm it)	\$ _____	\$ _____

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## Section C: Signature

**WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this form, you may be subject to a \$10,000 fine, a prison sentence or both.**

All the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If asked by an authorized official, I agree to give proof of the information that I have given on this form. I realize that this proof may include a copy of my federal income tax return. I also realize that if I do not give proof when asked, I may not receive financial assistance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature (father or mother - only one required)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name Printed