



2023-2024 Ward of Court/Legal Guardianship/Emancipated Minor

Name: _____

College ID: _____

When filing your 2023-2024 FAFSA you responded “YES” to at least one of the questions listed below. Please review the questions and submit the required documentation. Only one form of documentation is required regardless of how many “YES” responses you select. If you discover that all questions should have a “NO” response, log onto www.fafsa.ed.gov and revise your FAFSA.

Answer “Yes” if you had no living parent (biological or adoptive) when you were age 13 or older, even if you are now adopted.

Answer “Yes” if you were in foster care when you were age 13 or older, even if you are no longer in foster care as of today.

Answer “Yes” if you were a dependent/ward of the court when you were 13 or older even if you are no longer a dependent/ward of the court as of today.

YES **NO**

____ ____ When you were 13 or older, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care, or were or were you a dependent/ward of the court?
If you answered “Yes,” submit documentation supporting foster care/ward of court status.

Answer “Yes” if you can provide a copy of a court’s decision that you are an emancipated minor or are in legal guardianship. The court must be located in your state of legal residence. If the court order is no longer in effect, answer “No.”

YES **NO**

____ ____ Are you, or were you, an emancipated minor as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?
If you answered “Yes,” submit a copy of court decision.

____ ____ Are you, or were you, in legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?
If you answered “Yes,” submit a copy of court decision.

Signature _____

Date _____

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