



Student's Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Complete this form if you want to exclude your parents from your FAFSA. You must be able to document a severe or unusual circumstance with your parents that is beyond your control. Appeals may be granted on a case-by-case basis for students who can document their circumstances.

Instructions:

1. Write a detailed explanation of your situation. Be sure to explain your relationship with each of your biological or adoptive parents.
2. Provide a letter of support from a counselor, teacher, attorney, member of the clergy, etc. This letter should be signed and dated, and on professional letterhead.

OR

Provide two letters of support from family or friends who are familiar with your circumstances. These letters should include detailed information about your situation. They should also include their relationship to you, and be signed and dated.

3. You may submit any additional documentation you feel will support your appeal.

Certification

By signing below, I acknowledge and confirm that this information is complete and correct. Purposely giving false or misleading information may result in federal fines, jail sentence, or both.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

PLEASE NOTE:

The Department of Education clearly states that the following **DO NOT QUALIFY** as severe or unusual circumstances, nor do they merit a dependency override:

- Students that are total self-supporting
 - Parents that are unwilling to provide information on the application or for verification
 - Students that do not live with parents
 - Parents do not claim student on their federal or state tax forms
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Office of Financial Aid

**2019 - 2020
DEPENDENCY OVERRIDE
Renewal Form**

Student's Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Complete this form if you were previously granted an appeal at SUNY Erie.

Instructions:

Write a detailed explanation of your current situation. This should be signed and dated.

Be sure to indicate if your situation has improved or if they have not changed since your last appeal. Changes in circumstances should be accompanied by appropriate documentation.

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Student Signature: _____

Date: _____