



2023-24 Financial Aid Dependency Override Request

Student Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Students classified as a dependent via the FAFSA application may request a dependency override in some cases. The FAFSA requires parental information for students who are classified as “dependent”. However, students may request an override if they have extraordinary circumstances. The WCC FA office will consider dependency override requests on a case-by-case basis.

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Federal regulations do not allow for dependency overrides in the following circumstances:

- Parents refuse to provide information for the FAFSA or verification
- Parents refuse to provide financial support
- Parents did not claim student on tax return
- Student is self-sufficient & does not live with parent

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The following are some circumstances that may be considered for Dependency Override with supporting documentation. Please check any that applies to you:

- ___ You were abandoned by your parents.
- ___ You are an unaccompanied/homeless or self-supporting at risk of being homeless.
- ___ You do not know where your parents are & are unable to locate your parents.
- ___ You are unable to contact your parents due to an abusive family environment.
- ___ Parents are incarcerated.
- ___ Parents are deceased.
- ___ Parents hospitalized for an extended period of time.
- ___ Other: There may be other extraordinary circumstances which may be considered. (please explain)

Instructions: Provide any of the following that applies to your request & submit to the FA Office. Just a note, completing this form does not guarantee approval. Our office will contact you once we have completed the review.

- A detailed letter written & signed by you explaining the circumstances for the request.
- Provide documentation if your parents are deceased.
- Attach a copy of any police reports for cases of abuse or any document relevant to the case.
- A signed letter from a 3rd party professional verifying circumstances (examples of a 3rd party would be high school counselor, social worker or employer, members of the clergy)
- If have you any “other” appropriate documentation that supports your request we encourage you to submit along with this form.

Student’s Signature

Date