

STUDENT NAME: _____

WCC ID: _____

Your status as an independent student for financial aid purposes is based entirely on your response(s) to one or more of the dependency status questions on the 2020-2021 FAFSA. The Financial Aid Office requires proof of your dependency status.

PLEASE NOTE – Your eligibility for financial aid cannot be determined until the verification process is complete.

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete this worksheet using blue or black ink, attach any required documentation, sign, and submit the completed package to the WCC Financial Aid Office for review.

Check the appropriate box below:

DEPENDENCY STATUS QUESTION	REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> I was legally married on the day I signed the FAFSA. (46)	Copy of your marriage license
<input type="checkbox"/> I am currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training. (48)	A copy of your current official orders, your most recent LES, or an official letter from your commanding officer.
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces. (49)	A copy of your DD Form 214, "Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty".
<input type="checkbox"/> At any time after age 13, <u>both</u> of my parents were deceased. (52)	Copies of the death certificates for both parents AND your birth certificate.
<input type="checkbox"/> At any time after the age of 13, I was in foster care OR I was a dependent or ward of the court. (52)	Court documents confirming that you were in foster care or that you were a ward of the court at some time between the ages of 13 – 18.
<input type="checkbox"/> A court determined me to be an emancipated minor. (53)	Court documents from your legal state of residence confirming your legal emancipation before your 18 th birthday.
<input type="checkbox"/> I was in a legal guardianship with someone other than my biological parent and/or stepparent immediately before my 18 th birthday. (54)	Court documents from your legal state of residence confirming the <u>legal guardianship</u> . (NOTE – Papers must indicate legal guardianship; legal custody does not qualify)
<input type="checkbox"/> On or after July 1, 2019, I was determined to be either an unaccompanied youth who was homeless OR a self-supporting youth who was at risk of being homeless. (55 – 57)	Document on <u>official letterhead</u> from your high school/school district homeless liaison, the director of an emergency shelter of transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center/transitional living program that confirms your status.
<input type="checkbox"/> None of these situations applies to me – I am a dependent student.	Make corrections to the dependency status questions on your FAFSA at studentaid.gov and add your parent's information.
<input type="checkbox"/> I have special circumstances that are not reflected above and am not able to provide any parent information.	Contact the Financial Aid Office for guidance.

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

By signing below, I certify that the information reported on this form and any supporting documentation is true and complete.

STUDENT SIGNATURE (REQUIRED)

DATE

WARNING: If you purposely provide false or misleading information to obtain financial aid, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.

RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO:

**Wayne Community College - Financial Aid Office - PO Box 8002 - Goldsboro, NC 27533-8002
FAX: 919-736-9425**