

**2014-2015
Dependency Status Clarification**

PTC ID: _____ Name: _____

On the FAFSA you indicated that you are an orphan, ward of the court (or were a ward of the court until age 18), an emancipated minor, in legal guardianship, homeless, or at risk of being homeless, or have dependents other than your children or spouse that receive more than half of their support from you. Please complete this form by checking the item that best describes your status **and attach the documentation requested.**

- _____ **I am an orphan.** Check this line only if both of your parents, biological or adoptive, are deceased.
Documentation: Attach a copy of a death certificate or obituary for both your parents. **Note:** Do not check this line if one parent is deceased and the whereabouts of the other parent is unknown.
- _____ **I am/was a dependent or ward of the court, or in foster care after age 13.** **Documentation:** Attach a letter from your social worker or other court documentation showing that you were removed from your home.
- _____ **I am an emancipated minor.** **Documentation:** Attach a copy of the court's decision that you are or were an emancipated minor before the legal adult age in your state. The court must be located in your state of legal residence at the time the court's decision was issued. If the court order is no longer in effect, you are not an emancipated minor.
- _____ **I am in legal guardianship.** **Documentation:** Attach a copy of the court's decision that you are or were in the custody of a legal guardian prior to the legal adult age in your state.
- _____ **I am homeless.** **Documentation:** Attach a copy of the determination made by a school from a counselor, the school district homeless liaison or director of an emergency shelter program funded by the US Dept of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that you are an unaccompanied youth who is homeless.
- _____ **I am at risk of homelessness.** **Documentation:** Attach a determination letter from the director of a runaway or homeless center or transitional living program that you are an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or is self-supporting and at risk of being homeless.
- _____ **I have a dependent(s) other than my own children or spouse who receive more than half of their support from me.** **Documentation:** Attach legal documentation of their relationship to you such as a birth certificate, legal guardianship, etc. or any receipts to substantiate your claim of support to the dependent(s).
- _____ **I made an error on my FAFSA.** I am not an orphan, ward of the court (or was a ward of the court until age 18), an emancipated minor, in legal guardianship, homeless, or at risk of being homeless, or have dependents other than my children or spouse that receive more than half of their support from me. Requirement: Correct the information on your FAFSA by providing your parent(s) demographic and financial information along with a parent signature.

I hereby declare that all information reported on this document is true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statement or misrepresentation will be cause for denial, reduction, withdrawal and/or repayment of financial aid.

****Electronic signatures cannot be accepted.****

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____