

2026-2027 Dependency Status Questionnaire

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Last Name	First Name	CSU ID Number

***NOTE:** Do not submit this form if you answer “NO” to all of the questions, or you cannot provide the required documentation listed. Please contact Campus411 All-in-1 for assistance. You may need to add your **parent information** to the FAFSA, or complete and submit a 2026-2027 **Unusual Circumstance Petition**.

Please complete this form, attach the appropriate documentation and return it to the Financial Aid Office to confirm you meet the requirements to be an Independent student.

	Criteria		Documentation
1	Were both of your parents deceased when you were age 13 or older, even if you are adopted now?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If yes, attach a copy of each parent(s) death certificate, and a copy of the student’s birth certificate or adoption record.
2	Were you in foster care when you were age 13 or older, even if you are no longer in foster care as of today?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If yes, attach a copy of the court document indicating you were in foster care.
3	Were you a dependent/ward of the court when you were age 13 or older, even if you are no longer a dependent/ward of the court as of today? For Financial Aid purposes, someone who is incarcerated is not considered a ward of the court.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If yes, attach a copy of the court document indicating this or a letter from Social Services stating that you were a ward of the court until your 18th birthday.
4	Are you an emancipated minor or in legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If yes, please provide court documentation.
5	At any time on or after July 1, 2025, were you an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If yes, please provide documentation from a homeless liaison, HUD emergency shelter, runaway or homeless center, or transitional living program.
6	Were you adopted prior to age 13?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If you answered yes to question 6 and no to questions 1-5, you will need to complete your FAFSA as a dependent student using parents’ or adoptive parents’ information.

Certification and Signature

I certify that all information is complete and correct.

***Note:** This form must be signed with a hand written signature. Typed names or electronic signatures are not acceptable and will delay processing*

 *Student’s Signature

 Date

Submit form by mail, fax, in person at Campus411, or by uploading in CampusNet on the Financial Aid Documents tab.