

## 2024–2025 Confirmation of Independent Status

### A. Student's Information (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's First Name

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Student's M.I.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's SSN (Last 4-digits)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Street Address (include apt. no.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Home Phone Number (include area code)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Alternate or Cell Phone Number

### B. Certification of Independent Status

If you meet any of the situations described in the field below, please check the appropriate 'Yes' or 'No' box below.

- At any time since you turned 13, were you an orphan (no living biological or adoptive parent)?
- At any time since you turned 13, were you a ward of the court?
- At any time since you turned 13, were you in foster care?
- As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, are you or were you an emancipated minor?
- Does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?
- At any time on or after July 1, 2023, were you an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless, as determined by one of the following persons:
  - The director or designee of an emergency or transitional shelter, street outreach program, homeless youth drop-in center, or other program serving those experiencing homelessness?
  - Your high school or school district homeless liaison or designee?
  - The director or designee of a project supported by a federal TRIO or GEAR UP program grant?
  - Your financial aid administrator (FAA)?

By submitting this form, you are certifying that the response checked is accurate.

Yes

No

**Note:** Please understand that if you mark 'Yes', your school may require you to provide proof/documentation that you have met at least one of the situations described above.