

2026-2027 Personal Circumstance Verification Form

Student Information

Full Name (First, MI, Last): _____

Date of Birth: _____

FSU ID/EMPLID: _____

This should be used **AFTER** the 2026-2027 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has been submitted.

You answered 'Yes' to at least one of the dependency-related questions in the Personal Circumstance portion of the 2026-2027 FAFSA Application.

Please select your personal circumstance(s) below and provide the required documentation to verify your dependency status.

Personal Circumstance:

A.	<p>The student is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a copy of your active duty orders.
B.	<p>The student is a veteran of the U.S. armed forces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide the form DD-214: Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty.
C.	<p>The student has children or dependents for whom they provide over 50% support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide documentation of legal guardianship from court documents, if applicable. • Provide documentation of birth, if applicable.
D.	<p>The student is a legally emancipated minor as determined by a court in their state of residence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide court documentation that verifies you are emancipated.
E.	<p>The student is an unaccompanied youth who is/was homeless at any time after July 1st, 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide one of the following documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. A letter from your high school or school district homeless liaison. b. A letter from a director of an emergency shelter funded by the U.S. Department of House and Urban Development. c. A letter from a director of a runaway or homeless youth center or transitional living program.
F.	<p>The student is or was in a legal guardianship with someone other than their parent or stepparent, as determined by a court in their state of residence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide court documentation that verifies you are/were in the custody of a legal guardian.
G.	<p>At any time since the student turned 13, they were an orphan, having no living biological or adoptive parents.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide photocopies of parent(s) death certificates.
H.	<p>At any time since the student turned 13, they were a ward of the court.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide court documents attesting to your status.
I.	<p>At any time since the student turned 13, they were in foster care.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide court documents attesting to your status.

Florida State University's Use of Social Security Number policy is available at <https://registrar.fsu.edu/bulletin/university-notice>

Please Note:

If you do not meet any of the above conditions, you are considered a Dependent Student for the purposes of Financial Aid. You will need to update your FAFSA Application with your parents' information.

If you believe you have unusual circumstances and believe you should be considered an independent student, please review the Unusual Circumstances Form and, if applicable, submit that form with documentation instead.

Please Read and Certify the Following:

- I certify that the submitted information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I have read each section and provided the appropriate required documentation.
- I understand that I may be contacted if further information is needed.
- I understand that if I **DO NOT** provide supporting documentation, no further action will be taken on this request by the Office of Financial Aid.

Student Signature (No Electronic Signatures): _____ **Date:** _____