



Financial Aid Office

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2019-2020 Verification of Independent Status

Your 2019-2020 FAFSA indicated that you are an independent student based on your response to at least one of the criteria listed below. Please check the appropriate box that applies to you and submit the required documentation. For more information regarding dependency status, visit <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out/dependency>

SECTION A: STUDENT INFORMATION

STUDENT NAME: _____ CHC ID #: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

SECTION B: Read each response carefully and select only one (1) of the choices below. You ***must*** submit all required documentation with this worksheet otherwise your verification review and aid processing will be delayed.

Independent Status	Required documentation to be submitted
____ You are an emancipated minor as determined by a court in your state of legal residence.	Submit a copy of a court’s decision that, as of today (or immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state), you met that definition of being an emancipated minor. The court must be located in your state of legal residency and it must still be in effect as of the time you became an adult.
____ Your biological parents are deceased since you turned 13.	Submit a copy of both of your biological parent’s death certificates Submit a copy of the student’s birth certificate
____ You are a ward of the court or were in foster care since you turned 13.	Submit court documentation verifying your ward of court or foster care status.
____ You are a veteran of the US Armed Forces	Submit a copy of your DD214.
____ You are currently serving on active duty in the US armed forces for purposes other than training	Submit documentation or a letter from your commanding officer verifying status
____ You are or were in legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence. Custody is not the same as legal guardianship.	Submit a copy of a court’s decision that you met the definition or are in legal guardianship. The court must be located in your state of legal residency and it must still be in effect as of the time you became an adult.
____ You are married	Submit a copy of your marriage certificate
____ You have or will have children who will receive more than 50% of their support from you from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.	Submit a copy of the child(s) birth certificate(s) Submit a signed copy of your 2017 Tax Return (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ) Submit other supporting documentation to confirm financial support.
____ You have dependents, other than a spouse, who will receive more than 50% of your financial support between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.	Submit a signed copy of your 2017 Tax Return (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ) Submit other supporting documentation to confirm financial support
____ On or after July 1, 2018, you are an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or an unaccompanied, self-supporting youth at risk of being homeless	Submit a letter, on official letterhead, from a High School district homeless liaison, a Director of a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development funded homeless shelter, a Director of a Runaway or Homeless Youth Basic Center, or Director of a Transitional Living Center confirming this status
____ I answered the FAFSA incorrectly and none of these conditions apply to me	Submit a correction to your 2019-2020 FAFSA by changing your answer(s) to “NO” and include your parents information and signature

SECTION E: CERTIFICATIONS AND SIGNATURES (Required)

Please Read Carefully: *By signing this form, I affirm that all information on this form and any attachments are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide documentation to support the information I have provided on this form. I understand that if I purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet it may be cause for denial, reduction, withdrawal, and/or repayment of financial aid, and I may be subject to a fine, imprisonment, or both, under provisions of the United State Criminal Code and disciplinary actions by Chestnut Hill College. If I have any questions or concerns, I will contact Chestnut Hill College (CHC) Financial Aid Office immediately. **Your documentation must contain an original signature. We cannot accept forms containing e-signatures, typed signatures, or e-pen.***

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____