

2025-2026 Dependency Status Questionnaire

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 a 2025-2026 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?	□ YES □ 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?	□ YES □ 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.	□ YES □ 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?	□ YES □ NO	If yes, please provide court documentation.
5	At any time on or after July 1, 2024, were you an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self- supporting and at risk of being homeless?	□ YES □ 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?	□ YES □ 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

T 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.