



2011-12 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Dependency Checklist

Dependent students must include parent's information on the FAFSA. To determine your dependency status, answer the following questions.

- Yes** **No** Were you born before January 1, 1988?
- Yes** **No** Are you married?
- Yes** **No** Will you be working on a master's or doctorate program at the beginning of the 2011-12 school year?
- Yes** **No** Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces or currently serving on active duty?
- Yes** **No** Do you have children who will receive more than half of their support from you?
- Yes** **No** Do you have any dependents (other than a child or spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you?
- Yes** **No** At any time since you turned age 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care, or were you a dependent or ward of the court?
- Yes** **No** Are you or were you an emancipated minor as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?
- Yes** **No** At any time on or after July 1, 2010 did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?
- Yes** **No** At any time on or after July 1, 2010 did the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?
- Yes** **No** At any time on or after July 1, 2010, did the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?

If you answer "no" to every question, you are dependent and must provide parental information on the FAFSA.

If you answer "yes" to any question, you are independent and should not include parental information on the FAFSA.



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Complete the 2011-12 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at www.fafsa.ed.gov to apply for federal, state and, college-based financial aid.

- 2010 Federal Income Tax forms and, if applicable, Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)
- 2010 W-2 forms
- Federal Personal Identification Numbers (PIN)
- Applicant's driver's license number
- Social Security Numbers
- Birth dates
- Date parents were married, separated, divorced, or widowed
- Current cash and checking/savings account balances
- Current investment values (stocks, savings bonds, mutual funds, CDs) excluding parent's home and retirement plans
- Current business value
- Current investment farm value
- 2010 Child support paid or received
- 2010 Worker's compensation benefits
- 2010 Housing/food/living allowance for military and clergy
- Student Alien Registration number for eligible non-citizens

Important contact numbers and websites:

Internal Revenue Service 800.829.1040
www.irs.gov

FAFSA assistance 800.433.3243
www.fafsa.ed.gov
www.pin.ed.gov

Social Security Administration 800.772.1213
www.ssa.gov

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
www.infopass.uscis.gov