

2008-2009 Orphan or Ward of the Court Status

According to the information we have received from the Department of Education, you indicated that you were an orphan or ward of the court on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Your status as an orphan or ward/dependent of the court must be verified before your financial aid eligibility can be finalized.

If the statements listed below **DO NOT** apply to you, please correct **Question 53** on your FAFSA. **Answer NO** to Question 53 and then complete questions 55-83 with parental information.

If the statements listed below do apply to you, please complete and sign this form and attach documentation in support of your orphan or ward of the court status.

Student Name: _____ Social Security #: _____
(Print)

1. ___ Both of my parents are deceased and I do not have an adoptive parent.
 - If both of your parents are deceased, submit copies of your parent's death certificates, and
 - Submit signed letters from family members, clergy, psychologist or attorney about your situation.
 - Provide a written explanation of where you lived and how you supported yourself following the death of your parents.

2. ___ I am currently a ward of the court (please attach a copy of the court order)

3. ___ I am over the age of 18 but under the age of 24; however, I was a ward of the court until I was 18 years of age. (Please attach a copy of the court order)
 - Provide a written explanation of how you are supporting yourself
 - Provide documentation from family members, clergy, psychologist or attorney about your situation

I certify that all information provided in this document is true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I have provided false information or a misrepresentation on this form, my financial aid will be cancelled. If my aid is cancelled, I am responsible for paying my tuition, fees, and on-campus housing costs.

Student Signature

Date