

2025-2026 Unusual Circumstances

Student Name: _____

CVCC Student ID: _____

Reason(s) for Request:

If you cannot provide parental (biological or adoptive) information because you are unable to contact a parent, or contacting parents poses a risk to you, please review, complete, sign, and submit this form along with the supporting documentation for consideration of an independent status for financial aid purposes. Under HEA Sec. 480(d)(9), the *FAFSA Simplification Act* incorporated additional unusual circumstances to consider. These unusual circumstances include (but are not limited to):

1. Parental Incarceration
2. Human trafficking
3. Legally granted refugee or asylum status
4. Other unusual circumstance(s) to be reviewed by the Financial Aid Office.

The conditions listed below ***do not*** qualify as unusual circumstances:

1. Parents refusal to contribute to the student's education
2. Parents unwillingness to provide information on the FAFSA or for verification
3. Parents do not claim the student as a dependent for income tax purposes
4. Student demonstrates total self-sufficiency and does not reside with parent

Instructions for Currently Enrolled Students:

- If you were previously approved for a *Dependency Override* **at CVCC** during the 2024-2025 academic year, and your circumstances have not changed, please check the box, sign, and date below. No additional documentation is needed.
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Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Instructions for New Students*

A *New Student is defined as a degree seeking student entering CVCC for the first time for the 2025/2026 school year, or a student who last attended CVCC during the 2024/2025 academic school year.

Provide the following statements for consideration. Documents may be uploaded electronically using the Financial Aid Dropbox at <https://cvcc.tech/finaidfr>

Personal Statement by Student

Attach a signed personal statement explaining the reason for this request. Your statement should provide as much information as possible describing your separation from both of your parents. Be sure to include the following information:

- (1) Reason(s) as to why you are not in the care of biological parent(s)
- (2) Last date and nature of parent contact
- (3) Location of both parents
- (4) How you have supported yourself
- (5) Current living arrangements and means of financial support.

Personal Statement by Third Party

Provide the 2025-2026 Unusual Circumstances Third Party Statement Form

Certification and Signature

By signing this form, I certify that all provided information is true and complete. I understand that if am found to have knowingly or intentionally given false or fraudulent statements and/or documentation, my request will be denied, and my eligibility may be jeopardized. **Signature cannot be typed.**

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Supporting Docs Scanned

Supporting Docs Provided

Reviewed By:

Financial Aid Administrator: _____

Date: _____

Financial Aid Administrator: _____

Date: _____

Unusual Circumstances Request Approved

Unusual Circumstances Request Denied

Comments: _____