

DEPENDENCY STATUS

The questions below will determine whether you are considered a Dependent student or Independent student for fee waiver eligibility and whether parental information is needed. If you answer "Yes" to **ANY** of the questions 1-10 below, you will be considered an INDEPENDENT student. If you answer "No" to all questions, you will be considered a Dependent student thereby reporting parental information and should continue with Question 11.

1. Were you born before January 1, 1986? *(If "Yes," skip to question 13)* Yes No
2. As of today, are you married **or** in a Registered Domestic Partnership (RDP)?
(Answer "Yes" if you are separated but not divorced or have not filed a termination notice to dissolve partnership. Also, if you answer "Yes," skip to question 13.) Yes No
3. Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces **or** currently serving on active duty for purposes other than training? *(If "Yes," skip to question 13)* Yes No
4. Do you have children who receive more than half of their support from you, **or** other dependents who live with you (other than your children and spouse/RDP) who receive more than half of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2010? *(If "Yes," skip to question 13)* Yes No
5. When you were age 13 or older, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care or were you a dependent/ward of the court? *(If "Yes," skip to question 13)* Yes No
6. As of today, are you an emancipated minor as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?
(If "Yes," skip to question 13) Yes No
7. As of today, are you in legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?
(If "Yes," skip to question 13) Yes No
8. At any time on or after July 1, 2008, did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless? *(If "Yes," skip to question 13)* Yes No
9. At any time on or after July 1, 2008, did the director of an emergency shelter program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless? *(If "Yes," skip to question 13)* Yes No
10. At any time on or after July 1, 2008, 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 "Yes," skip to question 13) Yes No

• If you answered "Yes" to any of the questions 1 - 10, you are considered an INDEPENDENT student for enrollment fee waiver purposes and must provide income and household information about yourself (and your spouse or RDP if applicable). **Skip to Question #13.**

• If you answered "No" to all questions 1 - 10, complete the following questions:

11. If your parent(s) or his/her RDP filed or will file a 2008 U.S. Income Tax Return, were you, or will you be claimed on their tax return as an exemption by either or both of your parents? Will Not File Yes No
12. Do you live with one or both of your parent(s) and/or his/her RDP? Yes No

- If you answered "No" to questions 1 - 10 and "Yes" to either question 11 or 12, you must provide income and household information about your PARENT(S)/RDP. Please answer questions for a DEPENDENT student in the sections that follow.
- If you answered "No" or "Parent(s) will not file" to question 11, and "No" to question 12, you are a dependent student for all student aid except this enrollment fee waiver. You may answer questions as an INDEPENDENT student on the rest of this application, but please try to get your PARENT information and file a FAFSA so you may be considered for other student aid. You cannot get other student aid without your parent(s)' information.

METHOD A ENROLLMENT FEE WAIVER

13. Are you (the student **ONLY**) currently receiving monthly cash assistance for yourself or any dependents from:
- TANF/CalWORKs? Yes No
- SSI/SSP (Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Program)? Yes No
- General Assistance? Yes No
14. If you are a dependent student, are your parent(s)/RDP receiving monthly cash assistance from TANF/CalWORKs or SSI/SSP as a primary source of income? Yes No

- If you answered "Yes" to question 13 or 14 you are eligible for an ENROLLMENT FEE WAIVER. Sign the Certification at the end of this form. **You are required to show current proof of benefits.** Complete a FAFSA to be eligible for other financial aid opportunities.

METHOD B ENROLLMENT FEE WAIVER

15. **DEPENDENT STUDENT:** How many persons are in your parent(s)/RDP household? (Include yourself, your parent(s)/RDP, and anyone who lives with your parent(s)/RDP and receives more than 50% of their support from your parents/RDP, now and through June 30, 2010.) _____
16. **INDEPENDENT STUDENT:** How many persons are in your household? (Include yourself, your spouse/RDP, and anyone who lives with you and receives more than 50% of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2010.) _____

17. 2008 Income Information

(Dependent students should not include their income information for Q 17 a and b below.)

	DEPENDENT STUDENT: PARENT(S)/ RDP INCOME ONLY	INDEPENDENT STUDENT: STUDENT (& SPOUSE'S/ RDP) INCOME
a. Adjusted Gross Income (If 2008 U.S. Income Tax Return was filed, enter the amount from Form 1040, line 37; 1040A, line 21; 1040EZ, line 4).	\$ _____	\$ _____
b. All other income (Include ALL money received in 2008 that is not included in line (a) above (such as disability, child support, military living allowance, Workman's Compensation, untaxed pensions).	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL Income for 2008 (Sum of a + b)	\$ _____	\$ _____

The Financial Aid Office will review your income and let you know if you qualify for an ENROLLMENT FEE WAIVER under Method B. If you do not qualify using this simple method, you should file a FAFSA.

