



2025-2026 Unaccompanied & Homeless Youth Form

Do not complete this form unless you have already applied for financial aid using the 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). If you have not filed the FAFSA, please complete the on-line form as soon as possible at

WWW.FAFSA.GOV

When you completed the FAFSA, you answered yes to one or more questions which may mean you do not have to provide parental information on your FAFSA. You are required to provide supporting documentation of your answers to qualify for federal financial aid without reporting parental information. Please complete this form, attach the appropriate documentation, and return this form along with the required documentation to the Office of Financial Aid.

Documentation is essential. Submit all the following: (Submit photocopies, no documents will be returned)

- ☐ A personal statement about where you have lived over the past 12 months.
- ☐ Third Party Statement
- ☐ Unaccompanied or Homeless Youth Appeal form completed correctly.
- ☐ 2025-2026 Verification Worksheets (Independent) available at <http://www.evangel.edu/financial/more-information/forms/>
- ☐ Your (student) 2023 tax return transcript or signed tax return and W-2s.

NOTE: No action will be taken without full documentation.

Please review the definitions below before answering these questions.

Unaccompanied: When a student is not living in the physical custody of a parent or guardian

Homeless: lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing (includes living in shelters, motels, cars, or temporarily living with people because you had nowhere else to go)

At risk of being homeless: when a student's housing may cease to be fixed, regular, and adequate (i.e. A student who is being evicted or has been asked to leave their current residence and has been unable to find fixed, regular, and adequate housing.)

Self-supporting: when a student pays for his or her own living expenses, which includes paying for fixed, regular, and adequate housing. (Student must be self-supporting and at risk of homelessness.)

Unaccompanied youth: as of the day you signed the financial aid application you were not living in the physical custody of your parent or guardian AND you are 21 years of age or younger or you were still enrolled in high school.

Complete the following selection that best fits your personal circumstances.

Determination by Other Parties:

- ☐ A school district homeless liaison or the director or designee of an emergency shelter, basic center, or transitional living program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (RHYA) has determine that you are eligible for independent status as an unaccompanied homeless youth.

Provide documentation confirming the above statement.

Determination by Third Party:

- ☐ You have documentation that you have experienced homelessness at any time since July 1, 2024, from a homeless shelter or service provider, Financial Aid Administrator from another college, college access program such as TRIO or GEAR UP, college or high school counselor, mental health professional, social worker, employer, mentor, doctor, clergy, or other relevant third party.
- ☐ Contact Name: _____ Relation: _____

Provide documentation confirming the above statement.

Determination by Office of Financial Aid

- ☐ No previous determination has been made, but you meet the Unaccompanied Homeless Youth requirements established by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Answer the following questions to determine your eligibility.
1. Where do you reside if not staying in on-campus housing?
 - ☐ Motel
 - ☐ Car
 - ☐ Campsite
 - ☐ Shelter or other temporary housing program
 - ☐ Temporarily staying with others because the student has nowhere else to go.
 - ☐ Other: _____
 2. Reasoning for displaced housing:
 - ☐ Loss of Housing
 - ☐ Economic hardship resulting in inability to secure and maintain fixed, regular, and adequate housing.
 - ☐ Other: _____
 3. Are you self-supporting? (See definition above)
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

Provide documentation confirming the above statements.

Determination of Self-supporting and At Risk of Homelessness

- ☐ You are self-supporting and your housing is likely to cease to be fixed, regular, and adequate due to eviction or other loss of housing.

Provide documentation confirming the above statements.

I certify that all information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I have provided the documentation requested to verify the information on this form. I understand I may be required to provide additional documentation to support this request.

The penalty for submission of fraudulent information on this form may include repayment of money received, fine, and/or imprisonment.

Student Signature

Date

Student Name Printed

Telephone

Student ID

Date of birth

Current Mailing Address (if none, please list name, phone number, and mailing address of current contact)

Return this form and applicable documentation via upload to your student portal, mail, or fax. Do not email.

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