



2025-2026 UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH & HOMELESS VERIFICATION

STUDENT NAME

Lawrence ID or D.O.B

On your 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), you indicated you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or self-supporting and at risk of being homeless at any time on or after July 1, 2024.

- **Homeless** means lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing, which includes living in shelters, motels or cars, or temporarily living with other people because you had nowhere else to go. Also, if you are living in any of these situations and fleeing an abusive parent you may be considered homeless even if your parent would otherwise provide support and a place to live.
- **Unaccompanied** means you are not living in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.
- **Self-supporting** means you pay for your own living expenses, including fixed, regular, and adequate housing.

Option A: Attach Documentation Verifying Homelessness or Risk of Homelessness:

Attach documentation from one of the following:

- A school district homeless liaison.
- A director or designee of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- A director or designee of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program.

To confirm:

You are an unaccompanied homeless youth.

- This means you are living in a homeless situation as defined by Section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Act, and are not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.

You are unaccompanied, self-supporting, and at risk of homelessness.

- This means that you are not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian, you provide for your own living expenses entirely on your own, and are at risk of losing your housing.

Option B: If you cannot obtain documentation from one of the officials listed above:

Attach the following:

- A detailed letter explaining your situation (if this is not your first time submitting the form, please also provide details on how/if circumstances have changed since previous year).
- Optional and may be requested at a later time: Supporting documentation from another individual who has first-hand knowledge of your situation.

To confirm you are an unaccompanied youth who is homeless, or self-supporting and at risk of being homeless.

Option C: If you are not homeless and will provide parental information on the 2025-2026 FAFSA:

- I am not homeless and do not qualify as an unaccompanied homeless youth or unaccompanied youth at risk of homelessness.
 - You must correct the information on your 2025-2026 FAFSA by providing your parent(s) financial information.
 - You and at least one parent must sign the FAFSA.

CERTIFICATION: I certify that all of the information reported on this form is true and complete. Please reach out to our office if you are not able to provide a handwritten signature. We will provide details on an alternative way to sign this form.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

Return completed form to the Lawrence University Financial Aid Office.

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