



2009-2010 Request for Change in Dependency Status

Office of Student Financial Aid
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Lubbock, Texas 79409-5011
(806) 742-3681

Name _____ SSN _____

Notice Concerning Your Information: The Texas Public Information Act, with a few exceptions, gives you the right to be informed about the information that Texas Tech University collects about you. It also gives you the right to request a copy of that information and to have the University revise any information that is incorrect. You may request this information by contacting the office possessing such information.

NOTE: If you do not meet the definition of an independent student for financial aid purposes as defined by the U.S. Department of Education (<http://studentaid.ed.gov/students/attachments/siteresources/66.pdf>) you can request that your status be reviewed.

For this request, you must supply the financial aid office with the following information:

- 1) **A personal letter of appeal explaining the reason for your request for a dependency override.** The letter should provide as much detail as possible describing your separation from your parents. You are required to include the following documentation:
 - The whereabouts, if known, of your biological parents and their current living arrangements. Include the last contact you had with your biological parents and the frequency of contact with them over the past year(s).
 - Why you cannot provide parental information on the 2009-2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
 - Your living arrangements over the past year(s). With whom you have lived and who has provided financial support for you.
 - Your name, social security number, and your signature.
- 2) **Letters from three individuals who can attest to your situation.** Their letters should be one to two pages and provide as much detail as possible describing your separation from your parents.
 - The first letter should be from a professional individual not related to the student (counselor, social worker, teacher, clergy, police, etc).
 - The second and third letters should be from individuals who are aware of your situation and can corroborate the facts you present in this application.
 - Each letter must include the individual's name, title, position, or relationship to the student and each letter must be signed.
 - The individuals cannot be related to each other AND must reside at different addresses.
- 3) **A signed and dated copy of the student's 2008 Federal Income Tax Return and all W-2's/1099's.**
- 4) **Submit a 2009-2010 FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov.**



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Monthly Expenses (For Dependency Change Only):

EXPENSES FOR 2009		RESOURCES FOR 2009	
Housing/Rent	\$	Employment	\$
Food	\$	Social Security	\$
Car Payment	\$	AFDC/TANF	\$
Car Maintenance/Repairs	\$	Food Stamps	\$
Car Insurance	\$	Other Welfare Benefits	\$
Gasoline	\$	VA Benefits	\$
Utilities:		Child Support	\$
Electric	\$	Monetary Gifts	\$
Gas	\$	Housing, food and other living allowances provided by parents, relatives, friends, military, etc.	\$
Telephone	\$		
Water	\$		
Child Care	\$	Scholarships	\$
Clothing	\$	Grants	\$
Medical Insurance	\$	Loans	\$
Tuition/Fees/Books	\$	Other (specify-unemployment, etc.)	\$
Personal/Entertainment	\$		
Other (specify):	\$		
Total Expenses	\$	Total Resources	\$

STUDENT SIGNATURE

I certify that all the information submitted on and with this application is accurate and complete:

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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DATE: _____	APPROVED	DENIED
ADVISOR SIGNATURE: _____		
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