



# 2026-2027 Verification of Permanent Independent Status

<b>Student Name</b>	<b>ID #</b>
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Please complete form in blue or black ink. Incomplete forms will not be accepted.

On the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), you indicated that you have a permanent situation that qualifies for independent status. Please review your response and if correct, then submit the documents listed to verify your status. If your response was not correct on your FAFSA, please make your corrections to that question on your on-line FAFSA at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) and notify the Financial Aid Office promptly.

Your FAFSA was marked "Independent" due to your response on the following questions: Please review your response and submit the required documents.

**1. At any time since you turned age 13, were both of your parents deceased, were you in foster care or were you a dependent or ward of the court?**

**Required supporting documentation:**

- Death certificate(s) of your parent(s)      Your age at that time: \_\_\_\_\_
- Foster Care documentation                      Your age at that time: \_\_\_\_\_
- Ward of the Court documents                  Your age at that time: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Are you or were you an emancipated minor or in legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?**

**Required supporting documentation:**

- Proof of Legal Emancipation from your state of legal residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your age at the time of Emancipation: \_\_\_\_\_ State of residence: \_\_\_\_\_
- Proof of Legal Guardianship from your state of legal residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your age at the time of Legal Guardianship: \_\_\_\_\_ State of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Student Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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<b>RETURN FORM TO:</b>  Lake Superior State University Financial Aid Office 650 West Easterday Avenue Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783-1699 Phone: 906-635-2678 Fax: 906-635-6669 Email: <a href="mailto:finaid@lssu.edu">finaid@lssu.edu</a>
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