



2022-2023 Legal Guardianship/Emancipated Minor/Homelessness Form

Student Name: _____ NCWU ID: _____

According to information you submitted on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), you indicated that you are or were an emancipated minor, in legal guardianship or homeless. This information must be verified before the processing of your federal financial aid application can be completed. Please complete this form and return it with all required documentation to the Office of Financial Aid.

An **Emancipated Minor** has been granted status of adulthood by a court order or other formal arrangement freeing him from the custody and control of his parents or guardians before he reaches the age of majority. Emancipated minor status is not automatically bestowed on those who have simply moved away from their parents' home.

Legal guardianship means the court in the state of legal residence has established guardianship before reaching the age of being an adult in that state. You are not considered a legal guardian of yourself.

Homelessness means you are an unaccompanied minor that is homeless, or are at risk of becoming homeless. An unaccompanied minor is anyone under the age of 24, that is not married and providing their own financial living expenses.

Below is a list of acceptable documentation to confirm you are an Emancipated Minor, in Legal Guardianship or Homeless:

A. Documentation of a court order that as of today you *are* an emancipated minor or legal guardianship was established. *The court must be located in your state of legal residence at the time the court's decision was issued.*

B. Documentation of a court order that you *were* an emancipated minor or legal guardianship was established immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state. *The court must be located in your state of legal residence at the time the court's decision was issued.*

C. Documentation from your high school or school district homeless liaison, the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, or the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program.

I answered incorrectly and none of these conditions apply to me. By checking this box, I understand I will need to return this form to Student Financial Services and correct my FAFSA by adding parental information and parental signature.

All documents and forms submitted to the Office of Financial Aid becomes the property of North Carolina Wesleyan University.

Office Use only

- Documentation is acceptable.
- Documentation is not acceptable.

Financial Aid Advisor Signature: _____ **Date:** _____