

## 2023-2024 Checklist for Dependency Definition

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ La Salle ID # : \_\_\_\_\_

### **What is a Dependency Override?**

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A Dependency Override occurs when a financial aid counselor exercises professional judgment to override the standard dependency criteria based on extenuating family circumstances. A

# 2023-2024 Checklist for Dependency Application

*Please note that this form is ONLY for U.S. citizens or permanent residents*

Complete this form if you do not meet the federal criteria to be considered independent for financial aid purposes but can demonstrate a compelling reason for excluding parent information on your *2023 2024 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)*.

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Complete the information below based on your relationship with both of your biological/legal parents.

1. Provide the month and year that you became estranged from your parent(s):

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2. Mark the statement below that best describes your situation:

I was living with my parent(s) at the time and was kicked out or told I could no longer live with them.

I was living with my parent(s) at the time and left the home due to abuse, conflict, or discord.

I lived with my parents until I turned 18 or graduated from high school and was not forced to move out.

I never lived with either parent and lived with others but was never legally adopted or under legal guardianship of anyone else.

Other (please explain):

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3. To your knowledge, did either of your parents claim you as a dependent when they filed their 2021 income tax return?  Yes  No

4. To your knowledge, are you covered under either parent's insurance policies, cell phone plan, gym membership, etc.?  Yes  No

5. Using the chart below, report the details of your most recent contact with both parents.

*Example: Father – 12/2022 – called to wish me a happy birthday, Mother – N/A – No contact in the past 6 months*

Parent	Last Contact (i.e. May 2018)
Mother	
Father	

## **2023-2024 Dependency Override Application**

The following documents must be submitted with this form for consideration of your Dependency Override request. Failure to include all requested documentation will result in automatic denial of your override request.

A. Signed personal statement from you, the student, describing the history of your relationship with both biological/legal parents. Include step-parents if they are relevant to your issues with your parent(s). Whenever possible, provide specific examples of the events that led to your estrangement from your parents. Your statement must also include the following: