

	<b>2025-2026 Children and/or Legal Dependent Verification</b> <b>Independent Student</b>	<b>VCLD</b>  <b>26</b>
	OFFICE OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID WARRINER HALL 202, MOUNT PLEASANT, MI 48859 PHONE: (989) 774-3674; FAX: (989) 774-3634 <a href="#">Financial Aid Portal</a>	

**Why have you received this form?** You answered YES to one of the questions in 5 on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).  
**When should this form be submitted?** Failure to complete and submit this form along with all required documentation to the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid **within 21 business days** may result in the cancellation of your federal financial aid.

**Student Information**

Student Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Campus ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Student and Dependent Information**

Where will you reside while attending CMU? ☐ On Campus ☐ Off Campus ☐ With Parents

List annual expenses for: Housing \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Food \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Utilities \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Transportation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Who provides medical insurance for you? \_\_\_\_\_ Did you claim yourself as a tax exemption in 2024? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Will your child/dependent reside with you during the 2025-2026 academic year? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Will you provide medical insurance for your child/dependent? ☐ No ☐ Yes

Will you claim your child/dependent as a tax exemption in 2023? ☐ No ☐ Yes


Do you pay for day care expenses for your child/dependent? ☐ No ☐ Yes, how much? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Independent Status Criteria: Please check the situation that applies to you**

**Please Note:** \*SUPPORT includes but is not limited to: food, food stamps, housing, clothing, medical and dental care/insurance, child support, child care, education, transportation, recreation, etc.

- ☐ **I have children** who will receive more than half of their support\* from me during the academic year beginning July 1 through the following June 30.  
**ATTACH** all of the following required documents.  
☐ Copy of child's birth certificate.  
☐ Copies of any WIC, SNAP, and Medicaid cards.  
☐ A signed statement from yourself documenting all of the following:  
     o Living arrangements of the children.  
     o Amount of monthly support\* YOU provide.  
     o Information on any support\* received from other persons (another parent, family member, friend, state agency).
- ☐ **I have legal dependents (other than a spouse or children)** who live with me AND receive more than half of their support\* from me now and during the academic year beginning July 1 through the following June 30.  
**ATTACH** all of the following required documents.  
☐ Copies of any WIC, SNAP, and Medicaid cards.  
☐ A signed statement from yourself documenting all of the following:  
     o Names and ages of dependents that live with you.  
     o Relationship of dependents to yourself.  
     o Information on any support\* received from other persons (another parent, family member, friend, state agency).
- ☐ **I do not meet any of the conditions listed above.**  
☐ **CORRECT** the incorrect question(s) in 5 on your FAFSA, which will allow you to include your parent(s)' income and asset information on your FAFSA. Submit these changes to the federal processor. Be sure you and at least one parent sign the FAFSA. If you filed your FAFSA electronically, you may make corrections at [StudentAid.gov](#).

**Certification and Signature**

 **SIGNATURE REQUIRED:** I certify that the information provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that based on the information provided changes in my FAFSA financial information may occur and may result in a change in financial aid eligibility.

Student Signature (Handwritten Required **OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE USING GLOBAL ID**) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_