

Buffalo State University

Banner ID: _____ Student Phone: _____

Name: _____ Other/Parent Phone: _____

2026-2027 Affidavit for Parent(s)' Refusal to Complete Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

According to our records, you indicated on the 2026-2027 FAFSA that you are unable to provide parental information and/or your Independence Appeal request was denied. If you cannot obtain parental information on the FAFSA and you are interested in accepting a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan only, you and your parent(s) must complete this form*. Please return this completed form to the Financial Aid Office (address provided below).

For purposes of completing the 2026-2027 FAFSA and this form, listed below are conditions to identify your custodial parent:

- If your birth parents are not currently married, then your parent is considered to be the parent you lived with more during the past 12 months.
- If you did not live with one parent more than the other, then it is the parent who provided more financial support during the past 12 months or during the last calendar year when support was provided.
- If that individual has married someone else, then the step-parent is also considered a parent for these purposes.
- Grandparents, foster parents and legal guardians are not considered parents unless they have legally adopted you.

Providing parental information on the FAFSA does not obligate your parent(s) to provide any financial support to assist you with higher education costs.

Parent(s) Affirmation:

I _____ am the parent of _____ as

defined above. I do hereby attest that the following statements are true:

- ☐ I (we) refuse to complete the FAFSA
- ☐ I and my spouse (if married), have ceased providing *any* financial support to my (our) child effective _____ (date support ended) nor will I (we) provide any support in the future. Support includes family health insurance plan, family auto insurance plan or provide non- cash support such as free room and board for even short periods of time.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Attach a photocopy of one of the following items to confirm proof of your official signature.

- ☐ Parent Driver's License ☐ Parent Passport ☐ Other parent proof of signature

* If your parents refuse to complete this form, you must get documentation from a third party such as a teacher, counselor, cleric, or court, stating your parent refuses.

Student Affirmation:

Your signature below indicates that you are affirming that your parents have refused to complete the FAFSA, have ceased to provide support including health insurance or auto insurance; support for bills or living expenses; do not provide free room and/or board for even short periods of time and will no longer provide any support in the future.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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