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2023-2024
Orphan, Ward of Court or Foster Care Verification Form

On your 2023-2024 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Application, you indicated that both of your parents were deceased, you were in foster care, or you are/were a dependent or ward of the court. Please complete this form by checking one of the boxes below, sign, and submit, along with any required documentation to the Financial Aid Office. Include your LCU student ID number on all documentation submitted. **We encourage you to make a copy of this form and all documents for your records.**

A. Student Information

Student's Name: _____ LCU ID: | | | | | | | | | |

B. Orphan, Ward of Court or Foster Care Status – Check appropriate box

☐ **I am an orphan.** Check this box only if:
- you had no living parent (biological or adoptive) at any time since the age of 13 – even if you are now adopted. **Submit: Copy of death certificate for each of your parents.**

☐ **I was in foster care. State: ___** Check this box only if:
- you were in foster care at any time since the age of 13 – even if you are no longer in foster care as of today. **Submit: Copy of court orders, or a letter from your caseworker to verify your status.**

☐ **I am/was a dependent or ward of the court.** Check this box only if:
- you are/were a dependent or ward of the court at any time since the age of 13 – even if you are no longer a dependent or ward of the court as of today.
  Submit: Copy of court's decision or other documentation to verify your status.

Note: for Federal Student Aid purposes, someone who is/was a ward of the court due to incarceration does not qualify.

☐ **I made an error on my FAFSA.** Check this box only if you are not and have never been:
- an orphan
- a dependent or ward of the court or,
- in foster care

Instructions: if you checked I made an error on my FAFSA, you must correct the information on your aid application to answer **No** to the question about being an orphan, ward of court or in foster care and provide your parent(s) information and signature.

C. Certification and Signatures – Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the information reported on it is complete and correct. The student whose information was reported on the FAFSA must sign and date. Warning! If you purposely give false or misleading information you may be fined, sentenced to jail, or both.

Student Signature: _____ Date_____

This worksheet must be signed and dated to be valid. Electronic and/or digital signatures are not valid.

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Qualifying: ☐ Orphan | ☐ Ward of Court | ☐ Foster Care | ☐ Made error on aid application	
☐ Not Eligible	
Comment(s):	
Processed/Reviewed By:	Date:

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