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## 2020-21 Orphan/Ward of the Court/Foster Care Verification Form

Student Name

SSU I.D.

**Instructions:**

When you filed your financial aid application, you indicated that when you were age 13 or older, you were an orphan, a ward of the court, or in foster care. To show that you meet the criteria to be considered an independent student, you must provide documentation. Please complete this form, attach the appropriate documentation, sign the certification below, and return the form to the Financial Aid Office as soon as possible.

Please respond to the following questions:

**Question 1**

When you were age 13 or older, at any time did you have no living biological or adoptive parent?

If Yes, you must attach a copy of the death certificates.

Yes       No

**Question 2**

When you were age 13 or older, at any time were you a dependent/ward of the court or were you in foster care?

If Yes, you must attach documentation verifying that you are/were a ward of the court or were in foster care.

Yes       No

**Question 3**

If you answered "Yes" to Question 1 or Question 2, have you subsequently been adopted?

Yes       No

**Sign this Statement**

**I certify that all the information reported on this form is complete and correct.**

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Student Signature Date Phone number