



Lander University Financial Aid Office

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 Parent

Refusal to file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

| Student's Last Name | First Name | MI | Lander ID (L#) |
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| Parent's Last Name | First Name | MI |
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You recently notified our office that your parents refuse to file the FAFSA in order for you to receive funding through the Federal aid programs. The Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2009 created an option to borrow for students whose parents refuse to support them and refuse to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This option allows students to borrow only unsubsidized (interest-accruing) Federal Direct Student Loan funds at the dependent, undergraduate levels without providing parental information on the FAFSA.

The student must provide documentation from the student's parents indicating **all** of the following:

- That the student's parents refuse to complete the FAFSA, and
- Not live with either parent, and
- Not receive any support from either parent currently or anticipated in the future (including food & shelter, insurance, vehicle, tuition, cash, etc.) and the date that support ended, and
- Complete all sections of the FAFSA except Step Four and parent's signature/FSA ID.

Before we can finalize your eligibility for funding through the Federal Direct Unsubsidized Student Loan Program, we need you and your parent(s) to complete the following certification.

Please Note: *If your parents are willing but unable to support you, it may be more beneficial for you to complete the FAFSA using parental information. The expected parental contribution may be low enough to allow you to receive a better aid package including grants and subsidized loans.*

STUDENT CERTIFICATION:

I certify that I do not live with or receive any support from either parent currently or anticipated in the future. My parents refuse to support me and refuse to submit parental information for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). I understand that I will be eligible for only the Unsubsidized Federal Direct Student Loan, and I will not be eligible for any grants.

| Student's Signature | Phone # | Date |
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PARENT CERTIFICATION:

I certify that I do not and will not provide any financial support, including payments to educational costs, or any other cash and non-cash support to the student named above such as room and/or board. Date financial support stopped for student named above: _____

| Parent's Signature | Phone # | Date |
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| DATA ENTRY | | Financial Aid Office Use Only | NASFAA AskRegs: Can You Provide Information Regarding SAR/ISIR Comment Code 300? |
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| RRAAREQ | N=Pending Review | If approved and FAFSA received: RRAAREQ=S | If denied or incomplete: RRAAREQ = I Set CNSLV = E |
| Initials/date | | Manually add unsub to RPAAWRD – limited to dependent annual limits | Tracking group remains UNSAR/UNSIGN until corrected FAFSA or complete xxREFP rec'd |
| Fwd to Counselor date | | Update RHACOMM | Update RHACOMM |
| | | CNSLR Initials/date | CNSLR Initials/date |

If the parent refuses to complete the items mentioned above, student can request a third party (e.g., teacher, counselor, clergy, court) to provide a statement describing the student's relationship with his/her parent(s), confirming that the parent(s) will not complete the FAFSA, has stopped providing support, will not provide support in the future, and the date support ended. Be sure to submit the statement with this form to the Financial Aid Office.