

Student ID #	
Last Name	
First Name	
Telephone #	

Note: Use student's legal name, not nicknames (i.e. Robert- not Bobby, Bob, Robby, or Rob)

On your 2026-2027 financial aid application you indicated that at some point, since you turned age 13, you were an orphan (no living parent, even if you are now adopted), you were in foster care (even if you aren't in foster care today), or you were a dependent or ward of the court (even if you are no longer a dependent or ward of the court today). Please answer the questions on this form to assist us in verifying your status. If you have any questions on how to complete this form or what you need to submit, contact WSC Financial Aid office at 701-774-4248.

1. At any time since you turned 13, were you an orphan (no living biological or adoptive parent)? No Yes

If YES, please complete the information below and provide a copy of the death certificate for both of your parents.

Name of Father		Date of Death	
Name of Mother		Date of Death	

2. Have you been legally adopted? No Yes

If YES, please complete the information below and provide a copy of the court documentation of the adoption.

Date of Adoption	
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3. At any time since you turned 13, were you in foster care? No Yes

Foster care is defined as a child without parental support and protection that has been placed with a person or family to be cared for, usually by local welfare services or by court order.

If YES, please complete the information below and provide documentation from a court or social service agency indicating you were placed in foster care.

List the dates you were in foster care (MM/YY)			
Beginning		Ending	

4. At any time since you turned 13, were a ward of the court? No Yes

Dependent or ward of the court is defined as the status of a child who is removed from the care, custody and control of parents and placed under care, custody and control of Juvenile Services.

If yes, complete the information below and provide a copy of the court document that indicates you were placed under the care, custody and control of the court/state. It must include the reason for your placement, and the name of the facility.

List the dates you were a ward of the court/state (MM/YY)			
Beginning		Ending	

None of the questions above pertain to me.

You must log in at <https://studentaid.gov/> and change question #5 from Yes to No. You will be required to provide parental information and both you and any required contributors must sign the FAFSA with their individual FSA IDs and passwords. Submit this form to our office adding a note that you updated your FAFSA so we can watch for the correction and update your financial aid award as necessary.

To ensure timely processing of your aid, we ask that you submit this completed form to the address below **within 2 weeks**. Your financial aid will not be processed until the Verification process has been completed. Be sure to check your To Do List on Campus Connection for any other documents that are needed to complete Verification.

I certify the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that purposely giving false or misleading information may result in fines, penalties, and/or reduction or immediate repayment of aid. I understand that the information provided on this form may affect my financial aid eligibility/award.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

Note: Unsigned documents will be returned. This form must be signed with a physical signature. Typed names or electronic signatures are not

In an effort to protect your sensitive data, please DO NOT submit W-2s or tax forms by fax or general email.

Forms can be mailed to or dropped off at the following address:

Mailing address: Williston State College • Financial Aid Office • 1410 University Ave. • Williston, ND 58801

For questions: Email: wsc.financialaid@willistonstate.edu or Phone: (701) 774-4248