



2024-2025 Financial Aid Office

Dependency Override Renewal

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ EPCC ID: _____

The determination of student dependency status, Dependent or Independent is determined by the U.S. Department of Education when the student completes the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students with unusual circumstances may be able to adjust their dependency status by submitting a Dependency Override. The Dependency Override Renewal is available to any previously approved student who continues with the same unusual circumstances.

A Dependency Override allows a student with unusual circumstances to change dependency status from dependent to independent. Please complete this form and provide all the documentation requested. Submitting this request and documentation does not guarantee approval; each determination is made on a case-by-case basis. **The Financial Aid Office decision is final and cannot be appealed to the Department of Education.**

Unusual circumstances may include:

- Family circumstances include but are not limited to family abuse or neglect.
- Parental abandonment and other situations where contact between the student and parent is non-existent.

You may email the form and all requested documents to Financial.Aid@epcc.edu.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Student Statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A letter explaining in detail the exceptional circumstances making you independent due to your current relationship with your parents or legal guardians.• The letter must specify:<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ When you last had contact with them➤ Why you cannot obtain information and support from them➤ How have you been supporting yourself
Supporting Documentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide supporting documentation for the circumstances described in your statement. Additional documentation may be required.
Tax Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2022 IRS Tax Transcripts if you are required to file.• 2022 Non-filer Letter if you are not required to file.
Financial Aid Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete the 2024-2025 Institutional Verification Form, found at: https://www.epcc.edu/Admissions/FinancialAid/financial-aid-forms

Please answer the following; if additional space is needed, attach a separate sheet.

1. Did you live with either parent within the last six months of 2023?

☐ No ☐ Yes

2. My current permanent address is: _____

3. I have lived at this address since: ____/____/____

4. This property is owned by: _____

5. Is the residence listed above owned by a relative?

☐ No ☐ Yes, How are you related? _____

6. Any additional information we need to be aware of:

All the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if all the information requested above is not supplied, no action will be taken on this request. If asked by an authorized official, I agree to prove the information I have provided on this form. I realize this proof must include IRS Tax Transcripts. I also realize that if I do not provide evidence when asked, I may not be processed for financial aid. I also understand that any suspected fraud will be reported to the proper authorities and the Office of Inspector General. Such things as falsified or counterfeit documents, irregular signatures, certifications, false or fictitious names, addresses, and unreported or misreported student aid receipts.

Student Signature

Date