

2025-2026 Financial Aid Office

Dependency Override Renewal

Student Name: _____

EPCC ID: _____

What is a Dependency Override Renewal?

Sometimes, students have circumstances that make it difficult or impossible to rely on their parents for support. A Dependency Override can allow you to be considered an independent student for financial aid purposes, even if your FAFSA says you are dependent. The Dependency Override Renewal is available for students whose Dependency Override was approved last academic year, and the circumstances continue to be the same.

Important Considerations:

- Not a Guarantee: Submitting a Dependency Override Renewal doesn't automatically mean you'll be approved. Each case is reviewed individually.
- **Final Decision:** The Financial Aid Office decision is final and cannot be appealed to the Department of Education.

Eligibility:

Dependency Overrides are typically considered in situations like:

- Abuse or Neglect: Have experienced abuse or neglect within your family.
- Abandonment: Have no contact with parents or parents have abandoned you.

How to Apply for a Dependency Override Renewal?

- 1. Complete this form and the 2025-2026 Institutional Verification Form https://www.epcc.edu/Admissions/FinancialAid/financial-aid-forms
- 2. Write a Statement: Explain if your situation has changed in detail.
- 3. Gather Documentation
 - **Financial Information:** Provide your 2023 tax transcripts or tax return. If you did not file a non-filer letter. Provide proof of current source of income and the current check stubs for the last month.

4. Where to Submit

- In Person: At any District Wide Financial Aid Office
- Email: Send your completed form and documents to Financial.Aid@epcc.edu

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 2024?

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:

By signing below, I certify that all the verification documents submitted with this certification are complete and correct. I, the student whose information was reported on the FAFSA, must sign and date. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.

Student Signature

Date