Financial Aid Special Circumstance Request Form

Print Student Name: __________________________  Tech ID: __________________________

Phone Number: __________________________  E-mail address: __________________________

Thank you for requesting an appeal on your original FAFSA application for the 2023-2024 academic year. This form is designed to address the special circumstances affecting your income that was required to be used on the original FAFSA. By completing this form along with documentation, you are indicating that there has been a **substantial** change to your family’s financial situation and you would like the Financial Aid Office to consider this updated information when determining your eligibility for financial aid.

**Step 1:** Attach a TYPED letter explaining your situation in detail.

**Step 2:** Check the box(es) that **BEST** describes your special circumstances and situation.

(Choose one:

- **Lay Off** (circle one: student / parent)
  - Letter from the employer with the effective date and any severance benefits
  - Statement from the Unemployment outlining your benefits
  - Final pay stub from the laid off position
  - Most recent pay stub of all other current positions (for both parents / for both student and spouse)

- **Wage Reduction/ Loss of Unemployment** (circle one: student / parent)
  - Letter from the employer indicating the reduction of hours per week and effective date
  - Pay stub reflecting the wage reduction for student **AND** parent/spouse
  - Statement from the Unemployment Office outlining the change in benefits and status

- **Retirement** (circle one: student / parent)
  - Letter from employer documenting retirement date **and** benefits received
  - Final pay stub for retiree and projected retirement income
  - Last pay stub from parent/spouse who is still working

- **Death of Parent / Spouse** (circle one)
  - Death certificate or obituary from newspaper
  - 2021 W2 forms from the other parent
  - Life insurance or benefits received

- **Divorce or separation:** Date: __________
  - Copy of the Divorce Decree

Over
Unusual major medical or dental expenses not covered by insurance (Anything over 10% of your total income)

- Receipts showing the expenses itemizing medical or dental deductions or summary information from your insurance company showing payments made by you in the past year

2022 tax return shows significant loss of income as compared to 2021

- 2022 tax return transcript

Other: (Please list) Documentation must be provided

Budget Adjustment

- Proof of travel or other personal expenses such as mileage travel to college, receipts, etc.

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STEP 2: Student/Parent/Spouse Projected 2023 Income – Complete the following sections. Attach all supporting documentation specified in the situation description you checked in Step 1 and additional documentation to support your appeal. Do not leave any items blank; enter “0” where appropriate. Please include the total amounts that you and your parents/spouse have received/earned and expect to receive/earn in 2023. (FULL YEAR TOTALS)

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*** The review of your appeal will be delayed if ALL documentation has not been provided***

By signing this form, I certify all the information reported on this form and the enclosed documentation is complete and accurate. I understand that providing false or misleading information may result in a $20,000 fine, a prison sentence, or both, according to the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, Section 490(a). Any false or misleading information is subject to cancellation of all Federal financial assistance.

Student Signature: _______________________________________ Date: _____________________

Parent / Spouse Signature: _________________________________ Date: _____________________