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We have completed the initial review of your 2023-24 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). We now need to verify you meet the criteria to be considered an unaccompanied homeless youth and are therefore an independent student.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

### Key Definitions:

- **Unaccompanied:** not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian
- **Homeless:** lacking fixed, regular, and adequate primary night-time residence
- **Youth:** applicants who are under the age of 24 and who are unaccompanied and homeless or self-supporting and at risk of being homeless, can qualify for a homeless youth determination
  - **Self-supporting:** pays all living expenses, including fixed, regular, and adequate housing
  - **At risk of being homeless:** student's housing may cease to be fixed, regular, and adequate
- **You are an unaccompanied homeless youth:** after July 1, 2022, you are living in a homeless situation, as defined by Section 1725 of the McKinney-Vento Act, and are not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.
- **You are an unaccompanied, self-supporting youth at risk of homelessness:** after July 1, 2022, you are not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian, you provide for your own living expenses entirely on your own and are at risk of losing your housing.

### Step one – Check the box that applies to your situation and follow the directions

- I am an unaccompanied homeless youth and have attached supporting documentation from one of the following to confirm my status:
- Local school district personnel
  - State homeless education coordinators
  - Private or publicly funded homeless shelter or service provider
  - College or high school counselor
  - Mental health professional, social worker, mentor, doctor, or clergy
- I am unable to provide documentation from any of the above sources and would like to request an interview with an FVTC Financial Aid Administrator to verify I am an unaccompanied homeless youth. Please provide your preferred phone number and email address:
- \_\_\_\_\_
- I am not homeless and do not qualify as an unaccompanied homeless youth or youth at risk of homelessness.
- You must correct the information on your FAFSA by providing your parent(s) financial information
  - You and one parent must sign and submit the FAFSA

Step two – By signing below, I certify that the information reported and attached with this form is true and complete.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES NOT ACCEPTED**