

Part B: Check the box that appropriately reflects your/your family's special circumstance.

If none of the following circumstances are applicable to your/your family's' situation, please do not complete the rest of the form.

| Special Circumstance Check the box that appropriately reflects your circumstance | Definition Reason for submission | Required Documentation <u>Dependent</u> students must submit all student and parental tax returns, W-2 forms, 1099 forms, etc. |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Involuntary loss of income or employment (wage/employment, alimony, child support, retirement/pension, taxed social security, worker's compensation) | Income and/or benefits in 2025 were significantly less than in 2024. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documentation of loss of employment or other income • Unemployment benefit statement/history • 2024 & 2025 signed Tax Return Form 1040 (and 1040X if amended) with all applicable schedules • 2024 & 2025 W-2 Forms and 1099 Forms • Last pay stub showing year-to-date earnings and withholdings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> One-time payment, such as a retirement account withdrawal or retroactive wages | A lump-sum payment was received in 2024 and will not be received again. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 & 2025 signed Tax Return Form 1040 (and 1040X if amended) with all applicable schedules • 2024 & 2025 W-2 Forms and 1099 Forms • Documentation of one-time payment • Letter explaining what the funds were used for and the remaining balance of the payment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Separation or divorce | FAFSA information does not reflect your parent(s) current marital status or income. <i>Note: Recent non-legal separations are subject to a six-month waiting period.</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Divorce/separation agreement or attorney letter • Documentation of separate residences • 2024 & 2025 signed Tax Return Form 1040 (and 1040X if amended) with all applicable schedules • 2024 & 2025 W-2 Forms and 1099 Forms • Household Member Form for dependent students |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Death of a parent | Parent passed away after the 2026-2027 FAFSA was filed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Death certificate • Amount of any death benefits to be received • 2024 & 2025 signed Tax Return Form 1040 (and 1040X if amended) with all applicable schedules • 2024 & 2025 W-2 Forms and 1099 Forms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical/dental expenses | Expenses paid out-of-pocket that exceed 7.5% of 2024 total income | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 & 2025 signed Tax Return Form 1040 (and 1040X if amended) with all applicable schedules • 2024 & 2025 W-2 Forms and 1099 Forms • Copies of all out-of-pocket paid expenses (not bills) for 2024 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other extenuating circumstance | Extenuating circumstance not listed above | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit individual documentation to validate your circumstance |

