

Special Circumstances Appeal 2025-26 Reduction of Income

When circumstances change, and the FAFSA does not accurately reflect your family and income situation, we may consider your unique circumstances and make changes to your FAFSA, or adjustments to your Cost of Attendance. This may increase your eligibility for financial aid funds. Use this form to document your circumstances, and request an adjustment of your eligibility for aid.

INSTRUCTIONS

File a 2025-26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at *https://studentaid.gov*, and all other documents needed to complete your file.

- I Attach documentation that supports the circumstances of your appeal with your name and ctcLink ID on each page.
- ☑ Complete, sign and submit this form.

ADJUSTMENTS TO INCOME

Please check the box that best describes your circumstance(s). Attach the documentation required as indicated. Make sure your name and ctcLink ID is on each page of your documentation.

Voluntary Loss of Employment

Proof of income earned in 2025 (i.e. Year to Date Pay Stub). Note: your income cannot exceed the Washington State Need Grant 50% Median Family Income amount. We also allow voluntary loss of employment for programs that require you not work as a condition of admission to the program. Provide documentation of this if applicable.

Loss of Employment

State Unemployment Insurance documentation or Letter of Termination from your employer; proof of income earned in 2025 (i.e. Year to Date Pay Stub)

Reduction in Wages

Copy of student/parent's most recent pay stub and a letter from employer indicating changed pay rate or reduction in hours.

Reduction in Untaxed Income or Benefits (i.e. child support)

Letter from appropriate agency or authority that details the type and amount of benefits received in 2025 and the date the benefits ended.

One-Time Income

Describe the nature of the one-time income included on your, or your parents' 2023 tax return and/or reported on your FAFSA. Also, tell us why this income should not go towards paying for the cost of college. Use the "Personal Statement" space provided below.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please provide a statement describing your financial circumstances and what caused a decrease (or one-time increase) in your resources. If you need more space, please continue on reverse side or attach a separate page.

Student Name:	ctcLink ID #:

2025 PROJECTED INCOME

Please estimate your 2025 earnings and income, to the best of your ability, in the following

PARENT'S INCOME INFORMATION (Required for dependent students only)	CALENDAR YEAR January 2025 – December 2025
Parent 1 (Father, Mother, Stepparent) Gross Income from Work	\$
Parent 2 (Father, Mother, Stepparent) Gross Income from Work	\$
Parent(s) Other Taxable Income (ex: alimony received, business income, rental income, unemployment, capital gains, interest/dividends, etc.)	\$
Parent(s) Other Non-Taxable Income (ex: child support, military benefits other than educational benefits, tax-deferred pensions, etc.)	\$
STUDENT'S INCOME INFORMATION	
Student's Gross Income from Work	\$
Spouse's Gross Income from Work	\$
Student and Spouse's Other Taxable Income (ex: alimony received, business income, rental income, unemployment, capital gains, interest/dividends, etc.)	\$
Student and Spouse's Other Non-Taxable Income (ex: child support, military benefits other than educational benefits, tax-deferred pensions, etc.)	\$

SIGNATURES

By signing this form, I affirm that all information on this form and on any attachments is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide additional documentation to support the information I have provided on this form. I understand that any false statements or misrepresentation may be cause for denial, reduction, withdrawal and/or repayment of financial aid and I may be subject to a fine, imprisonment or both, under provisions of the United States Criminal Code.

Student Signature (Required):	Date:
Parent Signature (Required for Dependent Students):	Date:

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