



2022-2023

Petition for Independent Status

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Regulations stipulate that parents have the primary responsibility for their student's educational costs. Dependent students are required to provide parental to determine financial aid eligibility. However, students may petition if extraordinary circumstances prevent them from obtaining parental information. Petitions are not approved when parents are unwilling to provide information, they do not claim their child on their tax return or if they do not provide financial support.

Student Information – DO NOT complete this form if you have not completed your FAFSA/WAFSA

Last Name

First Name

ctcLink ID

Previous Last Name(s)

Email Required (Email is the default communication method)

Section II – Personal Statement

Provide a detailed written response addressing all of the following items. Your response may be provided on the back of this form or attached on a separate page.

- 1) Specify the location of both of your parents.
- 2) Describe the last time you had contact with each parent. Include the date, location and nature of your contact.
- 3) Explain why you cannot obtain parental information for the purpose of completing your FAFSA or WASFA.
- 4) Describe how you meet your living expenses and when you began paying for your own expenses.

Attach written statements from individuals who have first-hand knowledge of your circumstances and can support your statement. At least one letter must be on letterhead from a guidance counselor, physician, social worker, clergy person, or another individual who has been involved in the circumstances in a professional capacity. Specify the contact information for the individuals below:

Name: _____

Name: _____

Relationship to you: _____

Relationship to you: _____

Phone #: _____

Phone #: _____

Section III – FAFSA/WAFSA

Yes, I have completed my 2022-2023 FAFSA/WAFSA

On your FAFSA/WAFSA be sure you have selected the Special Circumstances Flag to indicate that you are filing without parental information. Please allow 2 to 4 weeks for review process. Approved appeals are valid at Bellingham Technical College only and cannot be transferred to another school.

Signature Certification Required

By signing this form, I agree that the information provided is complete and correct.

Student Name

Student Signature

Date

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WRITTEN, PERSONAL STATEMENT or attach separate sheet