



## 2023-2024 Emancipated Minor or In Legal Guardianship Documentation

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According to information you submitted on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), you indicated that you are, or were, an emancipated minor or in legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence. This information must be verified before the processing of your federal financial aid application can be completed. Please complete this form and return it with all required documentation to Student Financial Services.

An **Emancipated Minor** has been granted status of adulthood by a court order freeing him from the custody and control of his parents or guardians before he reaches the age of majority. Emancipated minor status is not automatically bestowed on those who have simply moved away from their parents' home. **NOTE:** Ohio **does not** have an emancipation status.

**Legal guardianship** means the court in the state of legal residence has established guardianship over the minor.

Below is a list of acceptable documentation to confirm you are an Emancipated Minor or in Legal Guardianship status.

- A. Documentation of a court order that as of today you *are* an emancipated minor or legal guardianship was established. *The court must be located in your state of legal residence at the time the court's decision was issued.*
- B. Documentation of a court order that you *were* an emancipated minor or legal guardianship was established immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state. *The court must be located in your state of legal residence at the time the court's decision was issued.*

**TO RETURN THIS FORM:** Students may **upload** all forms and documents in their My COTC. Log in and go to the Student Financial Services box and choose Upload Required Documents. **DO NOT submit this form via email, as it will not be accepted.** Or you can **Fax to:** 740-364-9533 (or) **Mail to:** COTC, Student Financial Services, 1179 University Dr, Newark OH 43055

All documents and forms submitted to Student Financial Services become the property of Central Ohio Technical College and cannot be copied or returned to the student, spouse, or parent (i.e. tax returns, verification worksheets, W2s, etc.)

<p><b>Office Use only</b></p> <p>_____ Documentation is acceptable.</p> <p>_____ Documentation is not acceptable.</p> <p>Reviewed by:</p>
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