



INDIANA UNIVERSITY SOUTH BEND

Orphan, Ward of the Court, Foster Care, Emancipated Minor, Legal Guardianship Worksheet 2026–2027 Academic Year

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When you completed the 2026 - 2027 FAFSA, you indicated you were either an orphan; a ward of the court; in foster care; an emancipated minor; or in legal guardianship. Because of this, your application has been selected for review.

Student Name _____ Student ID Number _____
(Please print)

Please attach the requested documents, sign the worksheet and submit to our office. If this worksheet is incomplete it will be returned to you.

Are both your biological/adoptive parents deceased? _____ Yes _____ No
If yes, please attach copies of death certificate(s).

At any time since you turned age 13 were you a ward of the court? _____ Yes _____ No
Note: for federal student aid purposes, someone who is incarcerated is not considered a ward of the court.
If yes, please attach court documentation verifying your status.

Were you in foster care at any time since you turned 13? _____ Yes _____ No
If yes, please attach court documentation verifying your status.

Are you, or were you, as determined by a court in your state of Legal Residence, an emancipated minor before the age of adulthood in your state? _____ Yes _____ No
If yes, please attach court documentation verifying your status.

Are you, or were you, as determined by a court in your state of Legal Residence, in legal guardianship before you reached the age of adulthood in your state?
If yes, please attach court documentation verifying your status. _____ Yes _____ No

No disbursement of funds can be made until all requested documents are received and reviewed. Failure to provide appropriate documentation of your status will delay the processing of your aid.

Affirmation Statement: Information included on this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature _____ Date _____