



Rhode Island School of Design
2023-2024 Verification of Independent Status
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Student Name: _____ RISD ID: _____

When you completed the 2023 – 2024 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), you answered “Yes” to one of the questions below. Please check the appropriate box that applies to you and submit the required documentation.

Please check	FAFSA Question	Required Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/>	At any time since you turned age 13, were both of your parents deceased, were you in foster care, or were you a dependent or ward of the court?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Death certificates of deceased parents • Court documentation showing that you were a ward of the court and when.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you or were you an emancipated minor as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court document from your state of legal residence where you were emancipated.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you or were you in a legal guardianship as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court document from your state of legal residence where you were placed under the legal guardianship of another person.
<input type="checkbox"/>	At any time on or after July 1, 2021, did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document on letterhead stationary from either your high school or school district homeless liaison verifying this status.
<input type="checkbox"/>	At any time on or after July 1, 2021, did the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document on letterhead stationary from the director of the emergency shelter or HUD verifying this status.
<input type="checkbox"/>	At any time on or after July 1, 2021, did the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document on letterhead stationary from the director of the runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program verifying this status.
<input type="checkbox"/>	None of the above.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I have submitted a correction to my FAFSA on StudentAid.gov

 Student's Signature

 Date