



## 2023-24 Appeal for Unusual Circumstances

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UH ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal regulations require students to provide parent information on the FAFSA unless the student

1. *was born before January 1, 2000,*
2. *is enrolled as a graduate or professional student at the beginning of the 2023-24 school year,*
3. *is married as of the date of they filed the FAFSA,*
4. *has or will have children who live with them and from whom they will receive more than half of their support from now through June 30, 2024,*
5. *has legal dependents (other than children or a spouse) who live with them and from whom they receive more than half of their support from now through June 30, 2024,*
6. *at any time since they turned age 13, both of their parents were deceased, they were in foster care, or they were a dependent or ward of the court,*
7. *is currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces or is a National Guard or Reserves enlistee called into federal active duty for purposes other than training,*
8. *is a veteran of the U.S Armed Forces,*
9. *is an emancipated minor,*
10. *is in legal guardianship,*
11. *is an unaccompanied youth who was homeless as determined by:*
  - a. *their high school or school district homeless liaison,*
  - b. *the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or*
  - c. *the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program.*

If you do not meet any of these conditions and cannot provide parent information, you may request a Dependency Override. If your parents are unwilling or refuse to provide their information you should not complete this appeal. Instead, please contact the Financial Aid Office to discuss other options.

### **Instructions**

If circumstances exist that make it unreasonable to expect you to have contact with your parents, please provide the following:

1. A personal statement describing the relationship between you and your parents and the specific reasons you are unable to secure their cooperation in completing the parent information section of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
2. **Official documentation** from an external (third party) source who can document, verify and support your situation (such as social workers, counselors, clergy members, or teachers). If possible, documentation should be on company letterhead or from a professional email address.

***I certify that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge; I understand that any false statement or misrepresentation may be cause for denial, reduction or repayment of any financial aid received.***

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_