



Student Name: _____ ID # _____

Current Address: _____ Phone: _____
(physical address, city, and state)

A student's whose marital status changes (e.g. get married or divorced) after submitting their FAFSA may submit this appeal. Completion of the appeal **does not** guarantee approval of your request. (This form is only for students. Parents of dependent students whose marital status changes after filing the FAFSA should contact the financial aid office.)

Have you already completed your 2018-19 FAFSA? (please check one)

- No, I have not yet completed a FAFSA for 2018-19.** (If not, then complete one today based on your current dependency status.)
- Yes, I have already completed my 2018-19 FAFSA.**

If you have already completed your FAFSA and your marital status has since changed, a financial aid counselor MAY be able to update your dependency status on your FAFSA. Please review the following 2 questions:

1. If yes, how has your marital status changed? (please check one)

- From Single to Married**

If you select this option, please complete the following steps:

1. Log onto FAFSA.gov and correct your marital status to show that you are "married."
(This will cause a reject code to appear on your FAFSA that requires a financial aid counselor to override.)
2. Submit the following documents to the CGCC financial aid office:
 - a. Copy of your Marriage Certificate
 - b. 2018-19 Independent Verification Worksheet
 - c. 2016 Tax Return Transcripts for you and your spouse
(visit irs.gov or call 1-800-908-9946 to request 2015 tax return transcripts from the IRS)
 - d. All 2016 W-2's for you and your spouse
 - e. This completed appeal form.

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From Married to Single

If you select this option, please complete the following steps:

1. Log onto FAFSA.gov and correct your marital status to reflect your current marital status.
(This will cause a reject code to appear on your FAFSA that requires a financial aid counselor to override.)
2. Submit the following documents to the CGCC financial aid office:
 - a. If the FAFSA requires parent information, submit the following documents:
 1. Dependent Verification Worksheet
 2. 2016 Tax Return Transcript for student and parent(s)
(visit irs.gov or call 1-800-908-9946 to request 2015 tax return transcripts from the IRS)
 3. All W-2's for student and parents
 - b. If the FAFSA does not require parent information, submit the following documents
 1. Independent Verification Worksheet
 2. 2016 Tax Return Transcript for student
(visit irs.gov or call 1-800-908-9946 to request 2016 tax return transcripts from the IRS)
 3. All W-2's for student
 4. This appeal form.

2. **Please explain your circumstances, with clarification as to how this change of marital status more equitably reflects your ability to pay.**

Certification

I affirm that all data elements contained on this form and any accompanying documentation are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Upon request I will provide additional documentation to substantiate the information provided.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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