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2021 – 2022: Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Verification Form

Name: _____ CCBC ID: _____

You reported on your FAFSA that you are an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or are an unaccompanied homeless youth providing your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless. To determine your eligibility, the Financial Aid Office requires additional information. Please select the status that applies to you, provide required documentation, and sign the form. All information submitted is kept confidential.

SECTION A: CIRCUMSTANCES (select one)	
<input type="checkbox"/> A CERTIFYING OFFICIAL HAS DETERMINED ME TO BE AN UNACCOMPANIED YOUTH WHO WAS HOMELESS OR WAS SELF-SUPPORTING AND AT RISK OF BEING HOMELESS ON OR AFTER <u>JULY 1, 2020</u>	
Definitions	<p>A Certifying Official is defined as one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ McKinney-Vento School District Liaison ▪ Director or designee of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) ▪ Director or designee of runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program
Required Documentation	<p> Signed documentation from the Certifying Official stating that on or after <u>July 1, 2020</u> you were either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An unaccompanied homeless youth on or after <u>July 1, 2020</u> who was living in a homeless situation as defined by Section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Act and was not in physical custody of a parent or guardian. <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An unaccompanied, self-supporting youth at risk of homelessness on or after <u>July 1, 2020</u> who was not in physical custody of a parent or guardian, and provides for your own living expenses entirely on your own and are at risk of losing your housing. <p>Confirm that the letter verifying your status is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Provided by a Certifying Official <input type="checkbox"/> On official letterhead and includes the following: certifying official's printed name, signature, date, place of employment, position, email, and phone number.
<input type="checkbox"/> UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS OR SELF-SUPPORTING AND AT RISK OF BEING HOMELESS ON OR AFTER <u>JULY 1, 2020</u>	
Definitions	<p>A student may fit this category if <u>all</u> of the below definitions apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A student is homeless when lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing or at risk of being homeless when housing may cease to be fixed, regular, and adequate. ▪ A student is unaccompanied when he or she is not living in the physical custody of a parent or guardian. ▪ Youth refers to a person who is not yet 24 or still enrolled in high school as of the day the FAFSA was signed.
Required Documentation	<p> Signed and dated personal letter describing in detail your living situation <u>and</u> how you financially support yourself.</p> <p> Signed documentation on <u>official letterhead</u> that supports your situation (see definitions above) from private or publicly-funded homeless shelters or service providers, college access programs such as TRIO and GEAR UP, college or high school counselors/administrators, medical or mental health professionals, social workers, mentors, or members of clergy.</p>

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SECTION B: CCBC SUCCESS NAVIGATORS

Success Navigators assess students' needs and help secure appropriate referrals through CCBC and community resources. Examples of assistance include:

- Emergency Housing Information
- Food Insecurity
- State and Federal Benefits
- Legal Resources
- Clinical Counseling
- Utility Assistance
- Transportation

Would you like to be referred to a CCBC Success Navigator?

Yes

Enter your preferred phone number: _____

Enter your preferred email address: _____

No

SECTION C: ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & CERTIFICATION

- I understand all Unaccompanied Homeless Youth determinations are made on a case-by-case basis, and this written request does not guarantee approval.
- I have attached all documentation required for the status that I selected above.
- If requested, I agree to provide documentation to substantiate this request. Failure to submit all requested documentation will result in denial of my request.
- Please be aware that, according to Maryland Family Law 5-701, educators are required to report current and past child abuse and neglect even when the former victim is now an adult and even when the former alleged abuser is deceased. If you disclose current or past abuse/neglect in any submitted paperwork or to any financial aid staff personally, we are required by law to report it. CCBC Financial Aid Office will report the suspected abuse/neglect to the Title IX officer. If you have any questions, you can contact the Title IX Office at TitleIX@ccbcmd.edu.

Warning: The student signing this from certifies that all the information reported is complete and accurate. If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

Student's Signature

Date

Please allow *at least* 2-3 weeks after ALL documents submitted for review. Check your SIMON account for status updates.
All documents must be submitted by the last day of the semester.