THE NEW SCHOOL
A UNIVERSITY

2013-2014 Independent Status Verification

ID: N _____

SECTION I: STUDENT INFORMATION

Your 2013-2014 FAFSA information indicated that you are an independent student. In order to confirm your independent status and determine your financial aid eligibility, you need to complete this form and submit it to the Financial Aid Office, along with the required supporting documentation. If you do not meet any of the criteria for independent status listed below, you will be required to update your FAFSA to include parental information. Please complete and return this form to the Financial Aid Office by Mail, Fax, or Email.

Student Name: _____ DOB: _____

Student Email: _____@newschool.edu Student ID: N_____

SECTION 2: INDEPENDENT STATUS ELIGIBILITY AND DOCUMENTATION

Independent Status Eligibility	Supporting Documentation Required
At any time since you turned age 13, both your parents were deceased.	Copy of parents' death certificate(s).
At any time since you turned age 13, you were in foster care or you were a dependent/ward of the Court.	Copy of official documentation from the court confirming your status in foster care or as a ward of the court.
At the time you completed the FAFSA, you were in a court-ordered legal guardianship or you were in a court-ordered legal guardianship immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state.	Copy of the court documentation confirming your status in a legal guardianship and the effective date(s) of that legal guardianship status.
At the time you completed the FAFSA, you were an emancipated minor or you were an emancipated minor immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state.	Copy of the emancipation documentation from the court confirming your status as an emancipated minor and the effective date(s) of the status.
At any time on or after July 1, 2012, you received a determination from your high school or school district homeless liaison that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless.	Copy of the determination documentation from the high school or school district homeless liaison confirming this status.
At any time on or after July 1, 2012, you received a determination from the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless.	Copy of the determination documentation from the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development confirming this status.
At any time on or after July 1, 2012, you received a determination from the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless	Copy of the determination documentation from the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program confirming this status

SECTION 3: PRINT AND SIGN THE WORKSHEET

I certify that the information provided in this petition is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I am applying for an exception to the standard treatment of family income and expenses for financial assistance. I agree to provide additional documentation to support this petition at the request of Student Financial Services, and I realize that my petition will not be considered until all documentation is provided. I understand that the penalty for providing false or misleading information is a $10,000 fine, a prison sentence, or both.

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Student Date

RETURN ALL MATERIALS TO:

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