

Student Name	NVCC ID	
Phone No.	Email	

▶ This Petition to be Independent should be based on unusual circumstances such as:

- 1. Extenuating circumstances for Parent(s) such as incarceration or disability
- 2. Student's removal from parent home due to an abusive situation that threatened their safety and/or health
- 3. Inability of student to locate the parent(s) after making reasonable effort
- 4. Other extenuating circumstances sufficiently documented by a signed letter from a third party

The following **cannot** qualify for appeal or review: Student demonstrates self-sufficiency OR Parent(s) **(1)** refusal to contribute to educational costs **(2)** unwilling to provide information on the FAFSA application **(3)** do not claim student as a dependent for income tax purposes

▶ The following documentation is required:

- 1. Submit the 2017-2018 FAFSA
- 2. A specific letter written by the student, documenting and describing the breakdown in relationship between student and parent(s)
- 3. Two to three letters of supporting documentation from 3rd parties (may include counselors, teachers, clergy, medical personnel, courts, prison administrators, etc.) with knowledge of your current circumstance
 - a. A signed statement from relatives and friends may serve to substitute one of the 3rd party documentation

▶ Answer the following questions (circle correct answer):

1.	Where did you live in 2016?	On Campus	Off Campus	Parent(s)/Stepparent
2.	Where will you live in 2017?	On Campus	Off Campus	Parent(s)/Stepparent
3.	Did your parent(s)/stepparent provide you with hea	2015 (Y / N)	2016 (Y / N)	
4.	Did your parent(s)/stepparent provide you with aut	2015 (Y / N)	2016 (Y / N)	

You must complete a Petition to be Independent each year to affirm these circumstances still apply.

By signing this form, I certify that all the information provided correctly reflects my current situation.

Student Signature Date