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2026-2027 PARENT KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY VERIFICATION FORM

SECTION A: STUDENT INFORMATION

STUDENT NAME: _____ STUDENT ID: _____

You indicated on your 2026-2027 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) that your parent or guardian was killed in the line of duty. As a result, you may be eligible to receive a maximum Federal Pell Grant for the 2026-2027 award year based on full-time enrollment when reviewed for eligibility. The U.S. Department of Defense no longer provides confirmation that a service member was killed in the line of duty and there is not a comprehensive federal database in existence to effectively and efficiently identify public safety officers killed in the line of duty. Therefore, the U.S. Department of Education requires the student to verify eligibility by providing acceptable documentation to the Financial Aid Office.

SECTION B: QUALIFICATION

To qualify, you must meet the following criteria.

1. Be the child of a parent or guardian who was killed in the line of duty while
 - Serving on active duty as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces on or after September 11, 2001; <OR>
 - Actively serving as and performing the duties of a public safety officer. A public safety officer generally includes the following:
 - Law enforcement officer, firefighter, or chaplain
 - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) employee
 - Emergency management or civil defense agency employee
 - Member of a rescue squad or ambulance crew
 - Others as defined in Section 1204 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968
2. Be less than 33 years old as of the January 1 prior to the award year for which you are applying (e.g., for 2026-2027, you must be less than 33 years old as of January 1, 2026, to be eligible).

Check the box that applies to your situation.

No, my situation does not fit the above criteria. I understand the Financial Aid Office will correct my FAFSA response accordingly (proceed to Section D).

Yes, I meet both criteria stated above and will provide the required documentation to validate my eligibility (proceed to Section C).

SECTION C: VALIDATION

Name of Parent Killed in the Line of Duty: _____ Date of Death: _____

Branch of Military Service or Public Safety Agency Parent was Employed: _____

Attach Required Documentation:

- A copy of the servicemember's Death Certificate <AND>
- A copy of the servicemember's Military Form DD 1300 (Report of Casualty) which documents death in the line of duty; <OR>
- A copy of the servicemember's DD Form 214 documenting that the date and cause of death occurred during and as a result of active duty; <OR>
- A copy of a Department of Veterans Affairs Death Narrative Document; <OR>
- A determination letter acknowledging eligibility for certain federal benefits under the Public Safety Officers Benefit (PSOB) program administered by the Department of Justice; <OR>
- A written letter of attestation or determination made by a state or local government official with supervisory or other relevant oversight authority of an individual who died in the line of duty while serving as a public safety officer; <OR>
- Documentation of the student qualifying for a state tuition or other state benefit accorded to the children or other family members of a public safety officer; <OR>
- Other documentation the school determines to be from a credible source that describes or reports the circumstances of the death and the eligible occupation of the parent or guardian.

SECTION D: CERTIFICATION

By entering my name below, I certify the information on the form and any attachments are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and that there is no forgery of signature(s). The information supplied on this form supersedes that which was provided on the FAFSA. I understand that any false statements or misrepresentation may be cause for denial, reduction, withdrawal, and/or repayment of financial aid, and I may be subject to a fine, imprisonment or both, under provisions of the United States Criminal Code.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____