



The Office of
Financial Services

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Proof of Independent Status

You indicated on your FAFSA that you are considered independent for reasons other than age. Please provide RMU with acceptable proof of one of the following:

- **Proof of Emancipated Minor Status:** Submit the official court document granting emancipation.
- **Proof of Homelessness:** Submit a letter from your high school homeless liaison, the Director of and Emergency Shelter or the Director of a Runaway/Homeless Youth Center to confirm this status.
- **Proof of Legal Guardianship:** Submit the official court document that confirms the appointment of your guardian.
- **Proof of Orphan/Ward of Court:** Please submit either official death certificates for both your father and your mother, or an official court document showing that you had been placed in foster care or became a ward of the state after age 13.