



Read this document carefully before providing answers and signing. Visit <https://www.ohio.edu/financial-aid/forms> for directions on submitting your forms using our Secure Upload Portal, or by mail or fax.

Student Name

Student PID (Pxxxxxxxxx)

Written Student Signature (Electronic Signature Not Accepted)

Date

You recently completed your 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) without providing any parental data. Additionally, you do not meet the qualifications to be automatically considered an independent student, and you indicated that you would like to apply for an Unsubsidized Loan Only.

If you have Unusual Circumstances that make it unreasonable or unsafe to include your biological or adoptive parent(s) on the FAFSA, please contact our office to speak with your assigned financial aid administrator regarding the possibility of a Dependency Appeal.

If you do not have any Unusual Circumstances, and **you are not estranged** from your biological or adoptive parent(s), you can update your FAFSA to indicate that you **do not wish to apply only** for an unsubsidized loan and re-submit the FAFSA as a dependent student. Your supporting biological or adoptive parent(s) will be required to provide information and sign your FAFSA. You must update your FAFSA yourself and invite your supporting parent as a Contributor. This is your only option to be considered for all types of financial aid.

However, if your biological or adoptive parent(s) **refuse to provide information** on your FAFSA, your only option for federal financial aid is a Federal Unsubsidized Loan. This loan accrues interest while you are in school. If you update your FAFSA to include parental information, you can be considered for additional financial aid including grants and subsidized loans. Please inform our office of your decision with the options below. If your parents refuse to sign this form, choose Option C and contact the Office of Financial Aid to connect with your financial aid advisor and discuss further options.

- Option A: I plan to provide parental information to complete my FAFSA and be considered for all forms of financial aid. By selecting this option, I understand that I must follow the instructions above and may be required to provide additional documents to the Financial Aid Office to complete my FAFSA.
- Option B: I will not complete my FAFSA. I certify that my parent(s) refuse to provide their information or signature on my FAFSA. I wish for Ohio University to award me a Federal Unsubsidized Loan for the maximum amount. My signature above is considered acceptance of this loan. I understand that I will not be able to utilize any other federal financial aid. **The parent signature(s) below affirm that my parent(s) refuse to provide information on my FAFSA and are in agreement with my wish to borrow only an Unsubsidized Loan for up to the maximum annual limit (Freshmen - \$5,500, Sophomore - \$6,500, Junior/Senior - \$7,500).**
- Option C: My parent(s) also refuse to sign this form. I will provide a written and signed statement from a responsible third party (i.e. a teacher, counselor, clergy or court) with adequate knowledge of my relationship with my parent(s).

I/We, the parent(s) of the above named student, certify that I/we refuse to provide the required information and signature(s) on the 2025-2026 FAFSA.

Written Parent Signature

(Electronic Signature Not Accepted)

Date

Written Parent Signature (if applicable)

(Electronic Signature Not Accepted)

Date