Exceptional Circumstances Appeal – PLUS Loan Denial Exemption

Dependent students may be eligible for additional unsubsidized loan amounts if the student can document exceptional circumstances which prevent a parent from borrowing a PLUS Loan. The parent’s denial of a PLUS Loan based on adverse credit in one year does not support additional unsubsidized loan eligibility in subsequent years. Parent’s unwillingness to borrow a PLUS Loan does not meet the requirements of an exceptional circumstance.

Parent Information

Circumstances That Demonstrate Need for Appeal

Please select at least one and provide a personal statement explaining your exceptional circumstances:

☐ My parent(s) is/are incarcerated (Provide documentation showing dates of incarceration.)

☐ My parent(s) has/have filed for bankruptcy (Provide a letter or notice from the bankruptcy court indicating terms and conditions regarding inability to incur more debt.)

☐ My parent(s) income is limited to public assistance or disability benefits and they would not be able to repay the PLUS Loan.

Indicate which public assistance or disability benefits program your parent receives benefits from:

☐ Supplemental Security Income (SSI). (Provide documentation showing dates benefits were received.)

☐ Food Stamps (SNAP/CalFresh). (Provide documentation showing dates benefits were received.)

☐ Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). (Provide documentation showing dates benefits were received.)

☐ Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). (Provide documentation showing dates benefits were received.)

☐ Others (e.g.: Low Income Based Housing, etc.). (Provide documentation form HUD Section 8, etc.)

☐ My parent(s) employment status has/have changed and ability to repay PLUS Loan is reduced (loss of employment, reduction in work hours or earnings). (Provide documentation from unemployment office or HR office.)

☐ My parent(s) is/are not able to repay the PLUS Loan due to a high debt burden. (Provide documentation of debt and income.)

☐ Other: (explain nature of circumstance by attaching a signed note and appropriate documentation.)

☐ My parent(s) is/are not a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident, or is/are not able to provide evidence from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service that he or she is in the U.S. for other than a temporary purpose with the intention of becoming a citizen or permanent resident. (Provide documentation showing evidence of citizenship or permanent residence outside U.S.)

Certification Statement

I hereby certify that all information on this form is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature ___________________________ Date ________________

Parent Signature ___________________________ Date ________________

Fax to 530-898-6883. Faxed documents will show up as “received” within 72 hours on the Student Center “To Do List”. Documents submitted in-person or by mail will show as “received” within five weeks.