



Non-custodial Parent Waiver Petition

Student's Name: _____

Class: _____

Financial information is required from either biological or adoptive parents to determine a student's financial aid award. Wesleyan University recognizes that extenuating circumstances in individual cases may make it impossible to obtain information from a non-custodial parent. If the non-custodial parent's whereabouts are unknown, if there has been extremely limited or no contact with the non-custodial parent for a significant period of time, or if there are other extenuating circumstances, the collection of non-custodial financial information may be waived. By completing this form, you are petitioning that an exception be made to the requirement of financial information from your noncustodial parent. **Exceptions are rare and only occur when exceptional circumstances exist, such as orders of protection.**

Note: Unwillingness of a noncustodial parent to contribute financially is not a sufficient reason to file this petition.

Noncustodial Parent Information

If any of the information that we are asking for is not known, please indicate "unknown" in the appropriate blank(s).

Noncustodial Parent Name: _____ Occupation: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Address: _____

Marital status of your biological/adoptive parents: DIVORCED/SEPARATED/NEVER MARRIED Year of divorce/separation _____

Has your noncustodial parent ever claimed you as a dependent on a federal tax return? YES NO
If yes, indicate the most recent tax year that this occurred _____

Have you had contact with your noncustodial parent in the past year? YES NO
If no, indicate the last time you had contact with him/her _____

What was the nature of the contact (letter, visit, phone call, etc.) _____

Are there any legal orders that limit your noncustodial parent's contact with you? YES NO
If yes, please attach documentation (i.e., restraining order, police report, or divorce decree).

Child Support Information

Did your noncustodial parent pay child support in 2015? YES NO

If **yes**, indicate the total amount he/she paid in 2015 for you: \$ _____

for other children: \$ _____

If **no**, indicate the last year that he/she paid child support _____

1. Provide any additional information below that would help us to better understand the circumstances that you believe make it appropriate for us not to require any financial information or contribution from your noncustodial parent. Be sure to provide as much detail as possible and attach additional pages if necessary. You must also attach any applicable documentation to substantiate or expand upon your situation.
2. Attach a statement from a third party (other than your attorney or immediate family members) that verifies the amount of contact that you have with your noncustodial parent. The person writing this statement should have long-term knowledge of your family situation. Typically, these letters come from counselors, ministers, and other professionals close to a student's situation.

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

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Custodial Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

The Office of Financial Aid will review all information submitted and notify you of its decision within a reasonable period from the time of submission.

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Committee Review Date: _____ Approved Denied Initials: _____