

2015-2016 Dependency Override Request Form

Student Name _____ BCC I.D. # _____ Phone _____

Dependency status is determined by specific criteria and can be changed by a financial aid administrator only in unusual circumstances. The Financial Aid Office assesses situations on a case-by-case basis and then makes a determination.

A student cannot be determined to be independent just because:

- the parents do not want to provide information on the FAFSA due to privacy concerns;
- the parents do not feel it's their responsibility to provide financial assistance for college;
- the parents no longer claim the student as a dependent on their taxes;
- or the student no longer lives at home.

Documentation Required (please attach to this form):

- ☐ Detailed letter from you, the student, requesting a Dependency Override and an explanation of the following:
 - The nature of your relationship with your parents
 - The location of both of your parents and when you last had contact with them
 - Why you cannot obtain information and/or financial support from your parents
 - How you have been supporting yourself
- ☐ Two letters on letterhead from professional sources, i.e.:
 - Social/Case Worker
 - Teacher
 - Counselor
 - Lawyer
 - Doctor/Psychologist
 - Pastor
- ☐ A third letter may be accepted from a family member detailing your history
- ☐ Court/legal documents:
 - Custody Paperwork
 - Police Report
 - Incarceration Documentation
 - Death Certificate
 - Court Order

Income Documentation

- ☐ 2015-2016 Standard Verification Worksheet
- ☐ 2014 Tax Return Transcript and W-2's

Other Relevant Documentation

- ☐ Rent/lease agreements
- ☐ Rent receipts
- ☐ Utility receipts
- ☐ Other information to document self-sufficiency

I certify that the information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to submit proof of the information that I have provided above. I realize that if I do not submit requested documentation, my request will be denied, and parental data will be used for my aid application.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Burlington County College – Office of Financial Aid
601 Pemberton Browns Mills Road, Pemberton, NJ 08068
Phone (609) 894-9311, ext. 1575 • Fax (609) 894-0139 • Email financialaid@bcc.edu