

BRYN MAWR OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID
2026-2027 Unusual Circumstances Form
No parental information on FAFSA

Student's Name

Student's Bryn Mawr College ID #

You submitted the 2026-2027 Free Application for Financial Aid (FAFSA) and did not include any parental information. Before we can determine how to assist you with financial aid, we must understand your circumstances.

This information is for evaluation purposes only and does not guarantee that you will receive federal financial aid. You will be notified of any action taken. Please note, based on your responses, additional documentation may be requested. Once all forms and documentation (including any additional requested documentation) has been submitted, the Office of Financial Aid will provide you with a final determination of your dependency status and Title IV aid offer within 14 days.

For an evaluation by the Financial Aid Office, please complete the following:

1. Submit a signed statement explaining why you did not include parental information on your FAFSA.
 - a. Include a detailed outline of your current situation that includes a complete history of your relationship with your biological and/or legally adoptive parents;
 - b. The specific dates of events that caused your separation from your parents.
 - c. Where do you live and how do you support yourself?
 - d. Is this a temporary or permanent situation?
2. Submit a copy of your 2025 federal tax return, or a Non-Tax Filer Statement with supporting 2025 W-2 Forms;
3. Complete the expected 2026 income section of this form; attach supporting documentation (i.e. payroll stubs, unemployment benefits, etc.). Upon review, additional information may be requested.
4. Date of separation from parents: _____

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In addition, please include any of the available supporting documentation as noted below. All documents/statements should be signed & be included on a professional letterhead.

Examples of supporting documentation may include:

- a documented interview between the student and the financial aid administrator;
- submission of a court order or official Federal or State documentation that the student's parents or legal guardian are incarcerated;
- a documented phone call or written statement, which confirms the unusual circumstances with
 - a state, county, or Tribal welfare agency; or an independent living case worker who supports current and former foster youth with the transition to adulthood; or
 - a public or private agency, facility, or program servicing the victims of abuse, neglect, assault, or violence;
- a documented phone call or written statement from an attorney, guardian ad litem, or court-appointed special advocate (or similar) that confirms the circumstances and their relationship to the student;
- a documented phone call or written statement from a representative at an institution of higher education that confirms the circumstances and their relationship to the student; or
- lease, utility bills, health insurance, or other documents that demonstrate a separation from parents or legal guardians.

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Complete both sections below with income you expect to receive from January 1, 2026 until December 31, 2026.
IF NONE ENTER ZEROS

2026 INCOME

Social Security benefits	\$ _____
Welfare benefits including AFDC, ADC (excluding food stamps) or TANF	\$ _____
Cash support or money paid on student's behalf	\$ _____
Veterans benefits except student education	\$ _____
Student wages, salaries, and tips	\$ _____
Interest and dividend income	\$ _____
Income received from other sources including friends & other family member(s) including alimony, & unemployment	\$ _____
Any other taxed income:	\$ _____
<u>Total 2026 Income</u>	\$ _____

2026 Assets

Cash/Savings	\$ _____
Investments	\$ _____
<u>Total 2026 Assets</u>	\$ _____

Additional 2026 Expenses

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
<u>Total 2026 Expenses</u>	\$ _____

All information submitted on this form is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge.

_____	_____	_____	_____
Signature of Student	Date	Signature of Spouse	Date