

## 2020-2021 FAFSA Verification Independent Student - Legal Guardianship

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student NU ID: \_\_\_\_\_

We have received your 2020-21 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You indicated on your FAFSA that you are or were in legal guardianship. To verify your status, please complete, print, sign and return this form to the Office of Financial Aid as soon as possible. **Be sure to include your name and NU ID on all forms you submit to our office.**

### Verification of Legal Guardianship Status:

YES: I certify that I am, or was, in a legal guardianship as determined by a court in my state of legal residence. Legal guardianship is a status established by a court of law within a minor's state of legal residence. A legal guardian will be someone other than the minor's natural, adoptive or step parent(s). A FAFSA applicant may mark the legal guardianship designation if currently in a legal guardianship, or immediately prior to becoming an adult, was in a legal guardianship. Legal custody or unofficial guardianship arrangements made outside of the courts do not qualify.

**Please complete the following information about your legal guardian:**

Legal Guardian Name:

Relationship to You:   
*(ex. grandparent, aunt/uncle, family friend, etc.)*

NO: I am not considered to be in legal guardianship.

Because you have not been in a legal guardianship, you will need to:

**Go to [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) and correct the following questions.**

- Question #54 - Change to NO, which reads: "Does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of legal residence? "
- Questions #5 through #92, which is your parental information

*Note: If you feel you have special circumstances, please contact a UNK Financial Aid Counselor at (308) 865-8520.*

### **By signing this form I acknowledge the following:**

I certify that all of the information reported to qualify for Federal/State student aid is complete and correct. If asked by an authorized official, I agree to provide proof of the information I have given on the form. Warning: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.

Signature is **required** of the student whose information has been reported on this form.

