



Lincoln Land Community College

2026-2027
UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH
DETERMINATION

Student Information

STUDENT NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)	SSN OR STUDENT ID	DATE OF BIRTH
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Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Determination

This form conveys my determination that after July 1, 2025, _____ was:
(Student Name)

an unaccompanied homeless youth, as defined by the FAFSA Simplification Act (Public Law No: 116-260).
an unaccompanied, self-supporting youth at risk of homelessness.

Under the FAFSA Simplification Act (Public Law No: 116-260), I am authorized to document this student's living situation and determine his/her independent student status as an unaccompanied homeless youth, or an unaccompanied, self-supporting youth at risk of homelessness. Financial aid administrators must accept this documentation unless there is specific documented conflicting information.

Designee or Liaison Use Only

DESIGNEE OR LIAISON SIGNATURE	DATE
DESIGNEE OR LIAISON PRINTED NAME	PHONE NUMBER
TITLE	AGENCY

Role (check one):

School district homeless liaison, or designee of the liaison.

Director or a designee of a director of an emergency or transitional shelter, street outreach program, homeless youth drop-in center, or other program serving individuals who are experiencing homelessness.

Director or a designee of a director of a program funded under TRIO or GEAR UP.

A financial aid administrator at the same or another institution who previously made a homeless youth determination.

Questions about how to complete this form?

Call 217-786-2237 or
800-727-4161.

Text 217-786-2237.

www.llcc.edu/financial-aid

Return completed form to:

LLCC Financial Aid
5250 Shepherd Road
Springfield, IL 62703

financial.aid@llcc.edu
Electronic forms only accepted from LLCC email addresses.

217-786-2229 fax

Pertinent Definitions from the FAFSA Simplification Act (Public Law No: 116-260)

Homeless

A student is considered homeless if the student lacks fixed, regular and adequate housing. This is broader than just living "on the street." It includes temporarily living with other people because the student had nowhere else to go; living in substandard housing (if it doesn't meet local building codes or the utilities are turned off, it is generally not adequate); living in emergency or transitional shelters, for example, trailers provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) after disasters; or living in motels, camping grounds, cars, parks, abandoned buildings, bus or train stations or any public or private place not designed for humans to live in. It also includes living in the school dormitory if the student would otherwise be homeless. A student living in any of these situations and fleeing an abusive parent may be considered homeless even if the parent would provide support and a place to live.

Unaccompanied

When a student is not living in the physical custody of a parent or guardian.

Youth

Any student who is not yet 24 may qualify for a homeless youth determination.

Self-Supporting

When a student pays for their own living expenses, including fixed, regular and adequate housing.

At risk of being homeless

When a student's housing may cease to be fixed, regular and adequate, for example, a student who is being evicted and has been unable to find fixed, regular and adequate housing.