



EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

Financial Aid & Scholarships

PARENT REFUSAL TO PROVIDE INFORMATION FORM (ELONLY)

You indicated on your 2026-27 FAFSA that your parent(s) are unwilling to provide their information. If that is correct you would only be eligible for an Unsubsidized Loan and no other Federal Grants, or Subsidized Federal Loans. *Due to a change in the FAFSA form, many students incorrectly check the Unsubsidized Only box. If your parent(s) are willing to provide their information on the FAFSA, please have them log into <https://studentaid.gov> to add their information and provide consent. Also, you will need to update your FAFSA's answer on the Unsubsidized Only question.*

IMPORTANT: Students whose parent(s) refuse to complete/sign the FAFSA may not appeal to be considered "Independent" students except in unusual or special circumstances. If you believe you have special or unusual circumstances, please make an appointment with your assigned financial aid counselor.

E-NUMBER

LAST NAME

FIRST NAME

M.I.

(____) ____-____
PHONE NUMBER

IMPLICATIONS OF REFUSING TO COMPLETE/SIGN A FAFSA

STUDENTS: Please understand that, by completing this form, you are requesting an unsubsidized loan subject to the limits for DEPENDENT students *only*. No other federal or institutional need-based aid will be available.

Who is required to sign this form?

- Parent(s) whose information would have been used to complete the FAFSA.
 - If a student's legal or biological parents are married or not married and living together, BOTH parents must initial and sign.
 - If a student's parents are divorced or separated, the parent who provided the most financial support during the past 12 months is required to complete the form.

PARENT(S): Initial each statement below indicating that you understand the impact of this request:

____ I understand that the U.S. Department of Education requires dependent students to have parent data on the FAFSA **only** for the purpose of calculating eligibility for need-based grants and other aid and that by providing my information or signature, I AM NOT obligated to pay for any of my child's college costs.

____ I understand that refusing to provide my information or signature on the FAFSA means my child WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE for ANY need-based grant/scholarship funding (including Pell Grants and institutional aid) and will **only** be eligible for a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan or other outside aid (aid awarded by organizations other than the institution).

____ I certify that I do not and will not provide any financial support to my child, including but not limited to: cash support, non-cash support, room & board, use of my vehicle, health or car insurance coverage, groceries, rent, utilities, tuition, books, or schools supplies.

____ I stopped financially supporting my child on: _____

I certify that I refuse to provide my income & household information on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), my financial support for my child has ended, and I will not provide any financial support in the future as indicated above. I understand that this request impacts financial aid eligibility at East Tennessee State University for the current academic year.

PARENT ONE SIGNATURE

DATE

PARENT TWO SIGNATURE

DATE

SIGN THIS FORM

CERTIFICATION: I certify that all of the information reported is complete and correct. I authorize East Tennessee State University to make any necessary corrections to my FAFSA based on the information submitted.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

WARNING: I understand that if I purposely give false or misleading information, I may be subject to a fine, imprisonment, or both.