

**2009 – 2010 REQUEST TO EVALUATE INDEPENDENT STATUS
BASED ON DEPENDENT OTHER THAN SPOUSE**

DECISION:

Student's Name Printed

Social Security Number

Address

Phone Number (Home) (Work)

City/State/Zip

Date

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS CAREFULLY. DO NOT LEAVE ANY BLANK.

- The following requested documentation must be submitted together in a presentable manner in order to determine if you are independent due to a **dependent** child. A decision will be made based only on the information submitted.
- If you feel you are not independent due to a dependent child, please submit a signed statement indicating that you will file as a dependent student, and submit copies of your and your parents' 2008 income information (2008 Federal Income Tax Forms, W-2 Forms, child support, and untaxed income).

1. List the names, ages, and relationships of your dependents:

Name	Age	Relationship

*You must attach legal documentation of their relationship (birth certificate, legal guardianship, etc.).

2. Where do the above named dependent(s) live?
 With student With student's parents
 Other (Explain) _____

3. Where will you (the student) live while attending Nicholls State University?
 On Campus With Parents Married Housing
 Other (Explain) _____

4. Explain below where you and the child(ren) are presently living and will be living between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010. If you are living with relatives, please indicate their relation to you. If they will provide any financial support to you or the child between July 1, 2009 and June 30, 2010, indicate the type of support and specify total amounts expected.

- 5. You must submit copies of rent receipts, lease agreements, utility bills, and copies of all other bills in your name that are paid by you.
- 6. What childcare provisions have you made while you are in class? (Explain)

- 7. You must submit a copy of your parent(s) 2008 federal income tax return. If your parent(s) did not and are not required to file a 2008 federal income tax return, they must each submit a signed and dated statement indicating that they did not and are not required to file a 2008 federal income tax return.

- 8. Did you file a federal income tax return for 2008? Yes No
 If yes, attach a copy of your return. If no, list all sources of income and the amounts received, and submit proper documentation.

Year	Source of Income	Amount Received
2008	_____	\$ _____
	_____	\$ _____

- 9. Was your dependent(s) claimed by anyone other than you (the student) on the 2008 tax return?
 Yes No If yes, whom/relationship: _____

- 10. Who will claim you and your dependent(s) on their 2009 federal income tax return?

- 11. Did you receive any child support in 2008? Yes No
 If yes, list the total amount for 2008: \$ _____

- 12. Will you receive any child support in 2009? Yes No
 If yes, list the total amount expected for 2009: \$ _____

- 13. Did you pay any child support in 2008? Yes No
 If yes, list the total amount for 2008: \$ _____

- 14. Will you pay any child support in 2009? Yes No
 If yes, list the total amount expected in 2009: \$ _____

- 15. Write a statement below indicating whether or not any member of your family receives government or state aid such as WIC, food stamps, TANF, Social Security benefits, etc. If so, submit verification from the appropriate office.

- 16. What is your anticipated income for 2009? \$ _____
 You **MUST** include a letter from your employer(s) for all jobs held during the 2009 year indicating your anticipated income.

17. Complete the table below. For total monthly costs, use an average estimate of your monthly expenses. You may want to calculate a monthly average based on your bills for the past twelve months.

Costs of Maintaining Household	Total Monthly Costs	Who Pays for or Provides It?
Housing	\$	
Utilities	\$	
Food	\$	
Clothing	\$	
Medical/Dental Care	\$	
Personal	\$	
Transportation (car payments, gas, insurance, maintenance)	\$	
Child Care	\$	
Other _____	\$	

18. YOU MUST attach an explanation of the circumstances you believe justify that you can provide monetary support to be classified as an independent student with a dependent child.

By signing below, I certify that all the information given on this form is complete, correct, and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I will provide all additional documentation as required by the Office of Financial Aid. *I also understand that the penalty for providing false or misleading information is a \$20,000 fine, a prison sentence, or both.*

Student's Signature

Date

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Committee Signatures:	Date:	Decision:
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Comments:		

