

**2023-2024 Proof of Orphan, Foster Care, or Ward of the Court**

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 Student's Name (Last) (First) M BearPass # Student's Date of Birth

**COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS**

You indicated on your 2023-2024 FAFSA that after age 13 you were either an orphan, in foster care, or a ward of the court. In order to confirm this status and ensure appropriate aid is awarded, please complete and submit the form to our office, along with any supporting documentation.

If you have submitted documentation supporting your status to Missouri State University in prior years, you do not have to submit it again. Check the box below indicating you have submitted documentation before, select the status below that applies to you, and return just this form.

I have submitted documentation to support my status in prior years.

**A. Proof of Orphan/Foster Care/Ward of the Court**

Please check the box that best represents your situation and submit the required documentation to our office.

STATUS	REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>No living parents</b> You had no living parent (biological or adoptive) when you were age 13 or older, even if you are now adopted.	Both parents' death certificates <b>AND</b> Student's birth certificate indicating parents' names (or other official documentation documenting parental relationship)
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Foster Care</b> You were in foster care when you were age 13 or older, even if you are no longer in foster care as of today.	Legal documentation from your state of residency
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dependent/Ward of the Court</b> You were a dependent/ward of the court when you were age 13 or older, even if you are no longer a dependent/ward of the court as of today.	Court documents

**B. Certification Statement & Signature**

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the information on this form, that I have appropriately attached all supporting documents, and certify that all information submitted is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that submitting this form does not guarantee that my request for financial assistance will be granted.

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 Student's Physical Ink-Signature (No Digital Signatures)

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 Date