## SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES APPEAL FORM 2023-2024

## Student Name: \_\_\_\_

Kirtland

## Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

This form may be used to report permanent income or employment changes, unusual expenses, divorce or other unplanned changes in circumstances that will impact total household income for the 2023 calendar year. Typically, a 20% or more reduction in total family income may cause a change in eligibility. Submission of this appeal does not guarantee a favorable change in aid eligibility.

You (your parents, if dependent) must provide all required/requested documentation. For appeals submitted during or after November/December 2023 the 2023 Federal Tax Return and 2023 W-2 forms are also required. The following situations will not be considered: high consumer debt, home mortgage expenses, car payments/expenses, and dependent student income reductions.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION by circumstance:					
Reason(s) for Appeal: Select all that apply	SUBMIT:				
Marital Separation or Divorce	<ul> <li>Copy of 2021 and 2022 Fed tax returns signed (including all schedules) and W2s</li> <li>Legal documentation; copy of divorce decree, divorce complaint or separation papers</li> <li>Documentation of child support expected for all children</li> <li>Copy of most recent paystub(s) for 2023</li> <li>Copy of 2021 &amp; 2022 Fed tax returns signed</li> </ul>				
Death of a parent or spouse	<ul> <li>Copy of 2021 &amp; 2022 Fed tax feturits signed (including all schedules) and W2s</li> <li>Copy of the death certificate or obituary notice</li> </ul>				
□ Decrease in wage or salary of at least 20% - May be submitted beginning May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2023	<ul> <li>Copy of 2021 &amp; 2022 Fed tax returns signed (including all schedules) and W2s</li> <li>Letter from employer on company letterhead indicating date of reduction in wage/salary or work hours</li> <li>Copy of last pay stubs from previous employer(s)</li> <li>Copy of most recent paystub(s) for 2023</li> <li>Written explanation detailing why the change in income happened</li> </ul>				
□ Loss of employment due to layoff or involuntary termination – May be submitted beginning May 1, 2023	<ul> <li>Copy of 2021 &amp; 2022 Fed tax returns signed (including all schedules) and all W2s</li> <li>Documentation from Employer (on company letterhead) including last date of employment</li> <li>Copy of last pay stubs from previous employer(s)</li> <li>Copy of most recent paystub(s) for 2023</li> <li>Copy of Unemployment Benefit Determination showing \$ amount, start date and # weeks remaining or statement of ineligibility (www.michigan.gov/uia)</li> <li>Written explanation detailing why the change in income happened</li> </ul>				
□ Loss of benefits (received in 2021, terminated in 2023/2024 – may include child support, workman's compensation, unemployment, etc.)	<ul> <li>Copy of 2021 &amp; 2022 Fed tax returns signed (including all schedules) and W2s</li> <li>Documentation of termination of benefits</li> <li>Copy of most recent paystub(s) for 2023</li> <li>Written explanation detailing why the change in income happened</li> </ul>				
□ Excessive un-reimbursed medical expenses PAID in 2021.	<ul> <li>Copy of 2021 &amp; 2022 Fed tax returns signed (including schedules)</li> <li>Documentation of <b>paid</b> out-of-pocket expenses</li> <li>Documentation must clearly show insurance coverage amount and the date/amount you paid</li> </ul>				

## SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES APPEAL FORM 2023-2024 – PG 2

ESTIMATE OF 2023 INCOME	Actual 2023 income: 1/1/23 to TODAY)	Estimated 2023 income: (Today to 12/31/23)	Total Income (actual plus estimated)
Employment income (student) – include most recent paystub(s)			
Employment income (spouse, if married)			
Employment income (Parent 1 – Dependent Students only) – include most recent paystub(s)			
Employment income (Parent 2 – Dependent Students only) – include most recent paystub(s)			
Unemployment compensation			
Alimony, Pension/Retirement, Dividends/Interest, Annuities			
Workman's Compensation			
Social Security Income for all family members			
Disability benefits/life insurance proceeds/insurance settlement proceeds			
Child Support received for all children			
Welfare/TANF/WIC/Subsidized Housing			

<u>Certification</u>: All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand I/we may be asked for additional documentation. I realize that if I/we do not provide the required documentation when requested, the student may be denied aid.

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Date Signed				

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Parent Signature (Dependent Students only)

Return Completed Form and supporting documentation to: Kirtland Student Financial Services, 4800 West Four Mile Road, Grayling, MI 49738 (989)275-5000 ext. 257 Fax: (989)275-6789

Do not mail this worksheet to the U.S. Department of Education

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□ Approved	Denied		
Student Financial Services FAO		Date	