ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships
Homeless/At-Risk of Homelessness Certification

Student name (Last name, First name)	
A-State ID number	Cell phone number

You indicated on the "Dependency Status" section of your FAFSA that you were determined to be an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were an unaccompanied youth that is self-supporting and at risk of being homeless. Use this form to confirm your status and attach supporting documentation.

❑ I was determined to be an unaccompanied youth who was homeless as determined by one or more of the organizations below and I have attached supporting documentation to this form.

- ❑ Your high school or school district homeless liaison determined that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless, or
- ❑ The director of an emergency shelter program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) determined that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless, or
- ❑ The director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program (RHYA) determined that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless.

❑ I was not determined to be an unaccompanied youth who was homeless by any of the organizations above. But I am homeless or at-risk of homelessness and I am attaching other supporting documentation from a recognized 3rd party such as: a homeless shelter or service provider, high school counselor, health professional, social worker, employer, mentor, doctor, or clergy member.

❑ I was not determined to be an unaccompanied youth who was homeless by any of the organizations above. However, I am unable to provide parental information on my FAFSA or other financial aid forms due to unusual circumstances.
Please contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships if you checked mark this box.

Who are McKinney-Vento Liaisons? Under subtitle VII-B of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, every school district is required to designate a liaison for students experiencing homelessness. Homeless liaisons have a number of legal responsibilities under the Act, including identifying youth who meet the definition of homeless and are unaccompanied. The education subtitle of the McKinney-Vento Act is overseen by the U.S. Department of Education. For more information, see: http://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/esea02/pg116.html

What are HUD-funded Shelters? The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers funding for homeless shelters and services under Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Act. These funds are distributed to communities through a competitive grant process. For more information, see: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/comm_planning/homeless

What are RHYA-funded Shelters? The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services administers the Runway and Homeless Youth Act programs. These programs provide funding
for Basic Centers, Transitional Living Programs, and Street Outreach programs that serve runaway and other unaccompanied homeless youth. For more information, see:
http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/fysb/programs/runaway-homeless-youth

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Student Signature **Date**

Please complete and return to: A-State Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships
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