

Student Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Establishing Florida residency is **mandatory** for receiving state financial aid, including the Bright Futures Scholarship and the Florida EASE Grant.

State law defines a Florida “resident for tuition purposes” as an individual (or a dependent whose parent/guardian) has lived in Florida for at least 12 consecutive months with the intent of establishing a permanent home. Note that students must be a US Citizen or eligible non-citizen to qualify for Bright Futures, Florida EASE Grant and the Florida Student Assistance Grant.

Independent students must meet one of the following criteria:

- Born before January 1, 2003
- A veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces
- Married
- A ward of the court or both parents deceased since age 13
- Have legal dependents other than a spouse
- Active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces (other than training)

Students who are emancipated minors, in court-determined guardianship or accompanied youth should contact the Office of Financial Aid.

All other students are considered dependent.

YOU MUST CONFIRM ALL THREE STATEMENTS.

- ☐ I understand and meet the residency requirements.
- ☐ I am not in default on any educational loan and do not owe a repayment on a state or federal grant or scholarship.
- ☐ I have not previously earned a bachelor’s degree.

SELECT THE APPROPRIATE STATUS BELOW:

- ☐ I am a dependent person and my parent or legal guardian (claimant) has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months. *(Attach documentation of proof of parents’ Florida residency.)*
- ☐ I am a dependent person who has resided continuously for at least three years with an adult relative other than my parent or legal guardian, and my relative (claimant) has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months. *(Attach copies of tax returns on which you were claimed and proof of adult relative’s Florida residency.)*
- ☐ I am an independent person and have established legal residence in Florida at least 12 months before enrolling in a Florida college or university.
- ☐ I am married to a person who has maintained legal residence in Florida for at least 12 months. *(Attach documentation of marriage and proof of spouse’s Florida residency.)*
- ☐ I am a member (member’s spouse or dependent child) of the armed services of the United States and am stationed in Florida on active duty pursuant to military orders, or whose military home of record is Florida. *(Attach a copy of military orders or military document showing home of record.)*
- ☐ I am a full-time instructional or administrative employee of a Florida public school, community college or institution of higher education or I am the employee’s spouse or dependent child. *(Attach a copy of employment record.)*
- ☐ I am part of the Latin American/Caribbean scholarship program. *(Attach a copy of scholarship papers.)*
- ☐ I am/my parent is an active duty member of the Canadian military residing or stationed in the state under the NORAD agreement OR an active duty member of a foreign nation’s military, serving as a liaison officer and stationed in this state, within 50 miles of Florida Tech.

PERSON CLAIMING RESIDENCY MUST COMPLETE THIS SECTION IN FULL

- Documents supporting the establishment of legal residence must be dated, issued or filed at least **12 months before the first day of classes** of the term for which a Florida resident classification is sought. All documentation is subject to verification.
- Additional documentation other than what is required above may be requested in some cases.

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Name of person claiming Florida residency _____ Relationship to student _____

Claimant's permanent legal address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Claimant's telephone number _____

Date claimant began establishing legal Florida residence and domicile _____

CLAIMANT MUST PROVIDE TWO OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS AS PROOF THAT FLORIDA RESIDENCE WAS ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED FOR AT LEAST 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES:

- Florida driver's license (licenses from any other state must be relinquished)
- A Florida ID card
- Florida voter's registration card
- Florida vehicle registration
- Proof of purchase of a permanent home in Florida that is occupied as a primary residence of the claimant
- Transcripts from a Florida high school for multiple years (if Florida high school diploma or GED was earned within the last twelve (12) months)
- Proof of permanent full-time employment in Florida for at least a twelve 12-month period. This may include paycheck stubs from the previous 12 consecutive months of work in Florida and/or a letter on official company letterhead from the employer verifying the previous 12 consecutive months of employment in Florida
- Proof of homestead exemption in Florida

NOTE THAT NO SINGLE DOCUMENT SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE AND ALL DOCUMENTATION IS SUBJECT TO VERIFICATION. EVIDENCE OF TIES TO ANOTHER STATE INVALIDATES THE ELIGIBILITY OF FLORIDA RESIDENCY CLASSIFICATION.

I do hereby swear or affirm that the above-named student meets all requirements indicated in the checked category on page 1 for classification as a Florida resident for tuition purposes. I understand that a false statement in this affidavit will subject me to penalties for making a false statement pursuant to 837.06, Florida Statutes and to FBOE Rule 6C-7.005 F.A.C.

Student **handwritten** signature _____ Date _____Claimant **handwritten** signature _____ Date _____
if other than student