

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR A SPECIAL CONDITION
INDEPENDENT STUDENT**

1. Do not attempt to correct your income yourself. Bring all of your estimated income information to the Financial Aid Office and we will correct your Student Aid Report for you.
2. Please provide proof that you meet one of the special condition requirements according to the U. S. Department of Education. These special conditions are listed on the following page (A, B, C, or D).
3. Call the Financial Aid Office for an appointment when you have gathered all the information that we have requested. You may submit your forms by mail; but you may experience some delay if your information is not clear or complete. Facsimiles will not be accepted.
4. If parent(s) are enrolling in college, **you must** notify the Financial Aid Office.

STUDENT WILL NEED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

A letter from your previous employer, on company letterhead, stating the last day of employment.

Your last pay stub from the previous job with year-to-date earnings on it (or have employer state the amount earned on the above-mentioned letter).

Your most recent pay stub from the current employer, if applicable. If you will not be working or seeking a job for the remainder of 2008, we will need a signed statement from you to confirm your plans. If married send spouse's latest pay stub showing earnings year-to-date.

Your unemployment benefits, showing monthly amount, the starting and ending dates, and the maximum amount of benefits allowed for the filing period.

Your tax returns for the previous year, including W-2 forms and schedules.

If you are married, and your spouse has lost his/her job, please provide all of the information listed above for your spouse also.

WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REQUEST ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTINENT TO YOUR SITUATION.

If you have any questions, please contact the financial aid office at (806) 894-9611 ext. 3800.

Please return requested information to:

Financial Aid Office
South Plains College
1401 College Avenue, Box B.
Levelland, TX 79336

Student's Name _____

SS# _____

**SPECIAL CONDITION APPLICATION
INDEPENDENT STUDENT**

This form may be used for the 2008-09 school year if your financial situation has recently changed for one of the following reasons:

- A. Loss of job or benefits
- B. Separation or divorce
- C. Death
- D. One-time Payments

Please check the following circumstance which best describes the change in your (or your spouse's) financial situation. If you do not meet at least one of the conditions, you may not be eligible for this calculation.

____ A.1. You worked full-time (at least 35 hours a week) for at least 30 weeks in 2007, but you are not working full-time now. Write in the number of weeks in 2008 that you have been out of work, and the beginning date. Give information only about yourself, not about your spouse.

_____ # of weeks in 2008 Beginning date _____

____ A.2. Your spouse, who earned money in 2007, has lost his or her job for at least 10 weeks in 2008. Write in the number of weeks in 2008 that your spouse already has been out of work and the beginning date. Do not give information about yourself here.

_____ # of weeks in 2008 Beginning date _____

____ A.3. You (or your spouse) earned money in 2007, but have been unable to earn money for at least 10 weeks in 2008 as a result of either a disability or a natural disaster in 2007 or 2008. Write in the number of weeks so far in 2008 that you (or your spouse) have been unable to earn money and the beginning date.

_____ # of weeks in 2008 Beginning date _____

____ A.4. You (or your spouse) received unemployment compensation or some untaxed income or benefit in 2007, but have completely lost that income or benefit for at least 10 weeks in 2008. The untaxed income or benefit must be from a public or private agency, from a company, or from a person because of a court order. (Don't include loss of veteran's educational benefits.) Untaxed income and benefits include social security benefits, court-ordered child support, untaxed retirement or disability benefits, welfare benefits, etc. Write in only the number of weeks so far in 2008 that you (or your spouse) have not received the income or benefit.

_____ # of weeks in 2008 Beginning date _____

____ B. You have already applied for Federal student aid and, since that time, you and your spouse have separated or divorced. Write in the date of your separation or divorce. _____

____ C. You have already applied for Federal student aid and, since that time, your spouse has died. Indicate date of death. _____ Please attach death certificate or obituary.

____ D. You or your spouse received a one-time payment in 2007 such as a withdrawal from a pension plan, disability, life insurance, or sale of an asset or business. This income has been used to pay debts or has been reinvested in a restricted savings plan.

Required: Please provide complete information regarding the special condition you checked. Attach additional information as needed:

