
Student's Full Name

Student ID#

Date of Birth

The FAFSA Simplification Act changes eligibility for what were formerly called Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grants (IASG) and Children of Fallen Heroes (CFH) Awards as well as the resulting award amount. Beginning with the 2026-27 award year, students who meet the eligibility requirements for Pell Grants under the Special Rule in HEA Section 401(c) will receive a Maximum Pell Grant, regardless of their calculated SAI (Student Aid Index).

To receive the Maximum Pell Grant based on eligibility under the Special Rule, a student must be:

- The child of a parent or guardian who died in the line of duty while (a) serving on active duty as a member of the Armed Forces on or after September 11, 2001; or (b) actively serving as and performing the duties of a public safety officer; and
- Less than 33 years old as of the January 1 prior to the award year for which the applicant is applying (e.g., for the 2026-27 award year, a student must be less than 33 years old as of January 1, 2026, to be eligible).

Complete the following:

Name of Parent/Guardian (Printed)

Date of Parent/Guardian's Birth

Date of Parent/Guardian's Death

Acceptable documentation may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- A determination letter acknowledging eligibility for certain federal benefits under the Public Safety Officers Benefit (PSOB) program administered by the Department of Justice.
- A written letter of attestation or determination made by a state or local government official with supervisory or other relevant oversight authority of an individual who died in the line of duty while serving as a public safety officer as defined above.
- Documentation of the student qualifying for a state tuition or other state benefit accorded to the children or other family members of a public safety officer consistent with the definition in 42 U.S.C. 3796b, or a fire police officer as noted above.
- Other documentation from a credible source that describes or reports the circumstances of the death and the occupation of the parent or guardian.
- A copy of the service member's DD 1300 (Report of Casualty).
- A copy of the service member's DD 214 and death certificate.
- A Department of Veterans Affairs Death Narrative Document.

I certify that the above information and submitted documents are true and correct.

Student Signature

Date

To submit this completed, signed, and dated document, upload it directly on the [Student Portal](#).
Select the appropriate Award Year, Generate Link, then Student Upload Form.
If you experience issues with the portal, you may mail or bring this document to your nearest campus,
or fax it to 919.335.1190.

If you have questions, here are all the ways to [Contact Us](#).