NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application

This application is used to determine eligibility for New Jersey student financial aid for the 2018-19 academic year. The New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (HESAA) will process this application. Any aid offered can only be used for eligible New Jersey institutions. The information on this form will be used to determine eligibility for grant and scholarship programs offered by the State of New Jersey. This application can be completed online at www.hesaa.org.

This application is not an application for federal student aid. Students eligible to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must use that application, which is available online at www.fafsa.gov. Students should not complete both applications.

PLEASE SEE HESAA.ORG FOR APPLICATION AND OTHER DEADLINES

Should I file the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application or FAFSA? Carefully read the statements below before starting this application.

NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application

You must use this application if:
You are not eligible to file the FAFSA;
You attended three or more full years of high school in New Jersey;
You graduated from a high school in New Jersey or received the equivalent of a high school diploma in New Jersey; and
You are without lawful immigration status you either filed an application to legalize your immigration status or will file an application as soon as you are eligible to do so.

Students who have completed the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) process should file the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application even if they have a Social Security number.

FAFSA

You must file the FAFSA if you are a United States Citizen, a U.S. national, or lawful permanent resident, or you are in the category of Persons with an Arrival-Departure Record (I-94) from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) showing one of the following designations: “Refugee” “Asylum Granted” “Cuban or Haitian Entrant” “Conditional Entrant” (granted before April 1, 1980) Victims of Human trafficking, T-Visa holder (T-2, T-3, or T-4, etc.) or letter/certification from the Office of Refugee Resettlement Parolees(with evidence from USCIS that you are in the United States for other than a temporary purpose and intend to become a U.S. Citizen or lawful permanent resident) A “qualified” Battered Immigrant as described at http://ifap.ed.gov/dpcletters/GEN1007.html A citizen of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Palau, or Swain’s Island.

This form is based on 2016 income information. If you or your family experienced significant changes to your financial situation, such as loss of employment, or other unusual circumstances complete this form, submit it as instructed and consult with the financial aid office at the college(s) you applied to or plan to attend.
Why fill out the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application

You use the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application to apply for New Jersey state financial aid, TAG, EOF, NJ STARS, NJ STARS II, GUS, and NJGIVS.

Why all the questions?
The questions on the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application are required to calculate your New Jersey Eligibility Index (NJEI). The NJEI determines your financial eligibility for State aid programs.

How much student financial aid will I receive?
Using the information on your NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application and your NJEI, HESAA will determine the amount of State aid you are eligible to receive.

What is the financial aid process?
After completing the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application, you will need to log onto the New Jersey Financial Aid Management System (NJFAMS) at njfams.hesaa.org and create a user ID and password.

You must monitor this account throughout the academic year for status updates and document requests. If you miss any deadlines to submit documentation you will not be eligible for State aid.

When will I receive the student financial aid?
Any financial aid you are eligible to receive will be paid to you through your college. Typically, your college will first use the aid to pay tuition, fees and room and board (if provided by the college). Any remaining aid is paid to you for your other educational expenses.

Information on the Privacy Act

HESAA will use the information that you provide on this form to determine if you are eligible to receive New Jersey state student financial aid. The colleges on this form may also use the information to determine your eligibility for private grants and scholarships. Therefore, we will disclose the information that you provide on this form to each institution you list in questions 107a – 107g.

Without your consent, we may disclose information that you provide to entities under a published “routine use.” Under such a routine use, we may disclose information to third parties that we have authorized to assist us in administering the above programs; to other state agencies under computer matching programs, such as those with the New Jersey State Treasurer.

State Certification
By submitting this application, you are giving HESAA and any college you have listed permission to verify any statement on this form and to obtain income tax information for all persons required to report income on this form.

We may request additional information from you to process your application more efficiently. We will collect this additional information only as needed.

Where can I receive more information on student financial aid
The best place for information about student financial aid is the financial aid office at the college you plan to attend. The financial aid administrator can tell you about student aid available from your state, the college itself and other sources.

- You can also visit our web site www.hesaa.org
- For more information call our Customer Care Line at: 609-584-4480
Instructions on SSID question 11, page 5

Enter your Statewide Student Identification number (SSID). You’ll have the 10 digit SSID only if you attended a New Jersey public high school. Your high school will be able to supply this; otherwise leave blank.

Instructions on citizenship questions 16, page 5

Citizens or Eligible noncitizens who have a Social Security number should file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). If you are undocumented, or if you have completed the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) process, select “No, I am not a citizen or eligible non-citizen”. Non-immigrants, as defined by federal law, who have been admitted to the United States temporarily and may have been granted one of the following visas: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, TN, TD, V, TROV, and NATO or any other non-immigrant visa, are not eligible for NJ State aid. If you are undocumented, or if you have completed the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) process, select “No, I am not a citizen or eligible non-citizen” and do not enter any number in question 17.

Notes for questions 33 (page 6) and 85 (page 8)

If you or your parents filed or will a tax return with Puerto Rico, another U.S. territory (e.g., Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands or the Northern Mariana Islands) or one of the Freely Associated States (i.e., the Republic of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands or the Federated States of Micronesia), use the information from that return to fill out this form.

Notes for questions 38 (page 6) and 91 (page 9)

On the 1040EZ, if a person didn’t check either box on line 5, enter 01 if he or she is single, or 02 if he or she is married. If a person checked either the “you” or “spouse” box on line 5, use 1040EZ worksheet line F to determine the number of exemptions ($3,950 equals one exemption).

Notes for questions 42 and 43 (page 6) and 95 and 96 (page 9)

Net worth means the current value, as of today, of investments, businesses, and/or investment farms, minus debts related to those same investments, businesses and/or investment farms. If net worth is negative, enter 0.

Investments also include qualified educational benefits or education savings accounts (e.g., Coverdell savings accounts, 529 college savings plans and the refund value of 529 prepaid tuition plans). For a student who does not report parental information, the accounts owned by the student (and/or the student’s spouse) are reported as student investments in question 42. For a student who must report parental information, the accounts are reported as parental investments including all accounts owned by the student and all accounts owned by the parents for any member of the household.

Investments do not include the home you live in, the value of life insurance, retirement plans (401[k] plans, pension funds, annuities, noneed IRAs, Keogh plans, etc.) or cash, savings and checking accounts already reported in the previous question.

Investments also do not include UGMA and UTMA accounts for which you are the custodian, but not the owner. Investment value means the current balance or market value of these investments as of today. Investment debt means only those debts that are related to the investments.

Business and/or investment farm value includes the market value of land, buildings, machinery, equipment, inventory, etc. Business and/or investment farm debt means only those debts for which the business or investment farm was used as collateral.

Business value does not include the value of a small business if your family owns and controls more than 50 percent of the business and the business has 100 or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees. For small business value, your family includes (1) persons directly related to you, such as a parent, sister or cousin, or (2) persons who are or were related to you by marriage, such as a spouse, stepparent or sister-in-law.

Investment farm value does not include the value of a family farm that you (your spouse and/or your parents) live on and operate.
Notes for Questions 49, (page 7)
Answer “Yes” if you are currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces or are a National Guard or Reserves enlistee who is on active duty for other than state or training purposes. Answer “No” if you are a National Guard or Reserves enlistee who is on active duty for state or training purposes.

Notes for Question 50, (page 7)
Answer “Yes” (you are a veteran) if you (1) have engaged in active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or Coast Guard) or are a National Guard or Reserve enlistee who was called to active duty for other than state or training purposes, or were a cadet or midshipman at one of the service academies, and (2) were released under a condition other than dishonorable. Also answer “Yes” if you are not a veteran now but will be one by June 30, 2019. Answer “No” (you are not a veteran) if you (1) have never engaged in active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, (2) are currently an ROTC student or a cadet or midshipman at a service academy, (3) are a National Guard or Reserve enlistee activated only for state or training purposes, or (4) were engaged in active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces but released under dishonorable conditions. Also answer “No” if you are currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces and will continue to serve through June 30, 2019.

Notes for Question 55 (page 7)
Answer “Yes” if you can provide a copy of a court’s decision that as of today you are in legal guardianship. Also answer “Yes” if you can provide a copy of a court’s decision that you were in legal guardianship immediately before you reached the age of being an adult in your state. The court must be located in your state of legal residence at the time the court’s decision was issued. Answer “No” if you are still a minor and the court decision was not in effect at the time you became an adult. Also answer “No” and contact your school if custody was awarded by the courts and the court papers say “custody” (not “guardianship”). HESAA will require you to provide proof that you are in legal guardianship.

Notes for Question 56-58 (page 7)
Answer “Yes” if you received a determination at any time on or after July 1, 2017, that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or, at risk of being homeless or, homeless. “Homeless” means lacking fixed, regular and adequate housing. You may be homeless if you are living in shelters, parks, motels or cars, or are temporarily living with other people because you have nowhere else to go. Also, if you are living in any of these situations and fleeing an abusive parent you may be considered homeless even if your parent would provide support and a place to live. “Unaccompanied” means you are not living in the physical custody of your parent or guardian. Answer “No” if you are not homeless or at risk of being homeless, or do not have a determination. You should contact your college financial aid office for assistance if you do not have a determination but believe you are an unaccompanied youth who is homeless or are an unaccompanied youth providing for your own living expenses who is at risk of being homeless. HESAA will require you to provide proof that you are an unaccompanied homeless youth.

Notes for question 53 (page 7)
Answer “Yes” if at any time since you turned age 13:
• You had no living parent (biological or adoptive), even if you are now adopted; or
• You were in foster care, even if you are no longer in foster care today; or
• You were a dependent or ward of the court, even if you are no longer a dependent or ward of the court today. For student aid purposes, someone who is incarcerated is not considered a ward of the court.

The financial aid administrator at your school may require you to provide proof that you were in foster care or a dependent or ward of the court.

Notes for students unable to provide parental information on pages 6 and 7
Under very limited circumstances (for example, your parents are incarcerated; you have left home due to an abusive family environment; or you do not know where your parents are and are unable to contact them), you may be able to submit your New Jersey Alternative Aid Application without parental information. If you are unable to provide parental information, skip Sections D and E, and go to Section F. Once you submit your New Jersey Alternative Aid Application without parental data, you must follow up with the financial aid office at the college you plan to attend, in order to complete your New Jersey Alternative Aid Application.

For Help — www.hesaa.org or clientservices@hesaa.org or 609-584-4480
Section A: Student Questions

For questions 1-30, leave blank any answers that do not apply to you (the student).

Your full name (exactly as it appears on school records). If your name has a suffix, such as Jr. or III, include a space between your last name and suffix.

* Indicates a required field

1. Last name

2. First name

3. Middle initial

Your mailing address

4. Number and street (include apt. number)

5. City (and country if not US)

6. State

7. Zip Code

8. Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)

(Complete only if you have one of these. Otherwise, leave blank)

9. Your date of birth

10. Your permanent phone number

11. Your NJ High School Student State ID number

12. Your cell phone or alternate phone number

13. Driver’s license number

14. Driver’s license state

15. Your e-mail address. We need your e-mail address to communicate with you electronically. For example, if we need additional information from you. Your e-mail address will also be shared with the colleges listed on your application to allow them to communicate with you. Do not leave this field blank.

16. Citizenship status. Mark only one. See Notes page 9

I am a U.S. citizen (U.S. national). STOP! Complete FAFSA.

I am an eligible noncitizen. STOP! Complete FAFSA.

I am not a citizen or eligible noncitizen. Skip to question 18

17. Intentionally Blank

18. What is your marital status as of today?

I am single

I am separated

I am married/remarried

I am divorced or widowed

19. Month and year you were married, remarried, separated, divorced or widowed.

20. In what state do you live?

STATE

21. Did you start living in this state before January 1, 2013?

YES

NO

22. If the answer to question 21 is “No,” give the month and year you began living here. Do not leave this blank.

MONTH

YEAR

23. Are you male or female? If female, skip to question 24. Do not leave this blank.

MALE

FEMALE

23a. Most male students must register with the Selective Service System to receive aid. If you are male, age 18-25, and have not yet registered go to sss.gov for instructions on how to register by mail. If you are a male are you registered for the selective service?

YES

NO

Some financial aid is offered based on the level of education your parents completed.

24. Highest school completed by Parent 1:

Middle school/Jr. high

High school

College or beyond

Other/unknown

25. Highest school completed by Parent 2:

Middle school/Jr. high

High school

College or beyond

Other/unknown

26. What will your high school completion status be when you begin college in the 2018-2019 school year?

High school diploma

Answer question 27.

General Educational Development (GED) certificate

Skip to question 28

Home schooled

Skip to question 28

None of the above

Skip to question 28

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27. What is the name of the high school where you received or will receive your high school diploma? Enter the complete high school name, city and state where the high school is located.

High School Name

High School City

28. Will you have your first bachelor's degree before you begin the 2018-2019 school year?

- Yes
- No

29. What will your grade level be when you begin the 2018-2019 school year?

- Never attended college and 1st year undergraduate
- Attended college before and 1st year undergraduate
- 2nd year undergraduate/sophomore
- 3rd year undergraduate/junior
- 4th year undergraduate/senior
- 5th year/other undergraduate
- 1st year graduate/professional
- Continuing graduate/professional or beyond

30. What degree or certificate will you be working on when you begin the 2018-2019 school year?

- 1st bachelor's degree
- 2nd bachelor's degree
- Associate degree (occupational or technical program)
- Associate degree (general education or transfer program)
- Certificate or diploma (occupational, technical or education program of less than two years)
- Certificate or diploma (occupational, technical or education program of two or more years)
- Teaching credential (nondegree program)
- Graduate or professional degree
- Other/undecided

31. Intentionally Blank

Section B (Student)

Answer questions 32–59 about yourself (the student). If you are single, separated, divorced or widowed, answer only about yourself. If you are married or remarried as of today, include information about your spouse (husband or wife).

32. For 2016, have you (the student) completed your IRS income tax return or another tax return listed in question 33?

- I have completed my return
- I will file but have not yet completed my return
- I’m not going to file. Skip to question 39

33. What income tax return did you file or will you file for 2016?

- IRS 1040
- IRS 1040A or 1040EZ
- A foreign tax return. See Notes page 3
- A tax return with Puerto Rico, another U.S. territory, or Freely Associated State. See Notes page 3

34. What is or will be your tax filing status for 2016?

- Single
- Head of household
- Married, filed joint return
- Married, filed separate return
- Qualifying widow(er)
- Don’t know

For questions 36–45, if the answer is zero or the question does not apply to you, enter 0. Report whole dollar amounts with no cents.

36. What was your (and spouse’s) adjusted gross income for 2016? Adjusted gross income is on IRS Form 1040—line 37; 1040A—line 21; or 1040EZ—line 4.

37. Enter your (and spouse’s) income tax for 2016. Income tax amount is on IRS Form 1040—line 56 minus line 46; 1040A—line 28 minus line 36; or 1040EZ—line 10.

38. Enter your (and spouse’s) exemptions for 2016. Exemptions are on IRS Form 1040—line 6d or Form 1040A—line 6d. For Form 1040EZ, see Notes page 3.

Questions 39 and 40 ask about earnings (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2016. Answer the questions whether or not a tax return was filed. This information may be on the W-2 forms or on the tax returns listed in question 33: IRS Form 1040—lines 7 + 12 + 18 + Box 14 (Code A) of IRS Schedule K-1 (Form 1065); on 1040A—line 7; or 1040EZ—line 1. If any individual earning item is negative, do not include that item in your calculation.

39. How much did you earn from working in 2016?

40. How much did your spouse earn from working in 2016?

41. As of today, what is your (and spouse’s) total current balance of cash, savings and checking accounts? Don’t include student financial aid.

42. As of today, what is the net worth of your (and spouse’s) investments, including real estate? Don’t include the home you live in. See Notes page 3.

43. As of today, what is the net worth of your (and spouse’s) current businesses and/or investment farms? Don’t include a family farm or family business with 100 or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees. See Notes page 3.
45. Student’s 2016 Untaxed Income (Enter the combined amounts for you and your spouse.)
   a. Payments to tax-deferred pension and savings plans (paid directly or withheld from earnings), including, but not limited to, amounts reported on the W-2 forms in Boxes 12a through 12d, codes D, E, F, G, H and S. Don’t include amounts reported in Code DD (employer contributions toward employee health benefits).
   b. IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, and other qualified plans from IRS Form 1040—line 28 + line 32 or 1040A—line 17.
   c. Child support received for any of your children. Don’t include foster care or adoption payments.
   d. Tax exempt interest income from IRS Form 1040—line 8b or 1040A—line 8b.
   e. Untaxed portions of IRA distributions from IRS Form 1040—lines (15a minus 15b) or 1040A—lines (11a minus 11b). Exclude rollovers. If negative, enter a zero here.
   f. Untaxed portions of pensions from IRS Form 1040—lines (16a minus 16b) or 1040A—lines (12a minus 12b). Exclude rollovers. If negative, enter a zero here.
   g. Housing, food and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy and others (including cash payments and cash value of benefits). Don’t include the value of on-base military housing or the value of a basic military allowance for housing.
   h. Veterans noneducational benefits, such as Disability, Death Pension, or Dependency & Indemnity Compensation (DIC) and/or VA Educational Work Study allowances.
   i. Other untaxed income not reported in items 45a through 45h, such as workers’ compensation, disability benefits etc. Also include the untaxed portions of health savings accounts from IRS Form 1040—line 25. Don’t include student aid, earned income credit, additional child tax credit, welfare payments, untaxed Social Security benefits, Supplemental Security Income, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act educational benefits, on-base military housing or a military housing allowance combat pay, benefits from flexible spending arrangements (e.g., cafeteria plans), foreign income exclusion or credit for federal tax on special fuels.
   j. Money received, or paid on your behalf (e.g., bills), not reported elsewhere on this form. This includes money that you received from a parent or other person whose financial information is not reported on this form and that is not part of a legal child support agreement.

Section C (Student): Answer the questions in this section to determine if you will need to provide parental information. If you answer “Yes” to any of the questions in this section, skip Section D and go to Section E on page 8.

46. Were you born before January 1, 1995?  
   Yes  No

47. As of today, are you married? (Also answer “Yes” if you are separated but not divorced.)  
   Yes  No

48. At the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year, will you be working on a master’s or doctorate program (such as an MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, graduate certificate, etc.)?  
   Yes  No

49. Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces for purposes other than training? See Notes page 4

50. Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces? See Notes page 4

51. Do you now have or will you have children who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019?  
   Yes  No

52. Do you have dependents (other than your children or spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2019?  
   Yes  No

53. At any time since you turned age 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care or were you a dependent or ward of the court? See Notes page 4

54. Intentionally Blank

55. Does someone other than your parent or stepparent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of legal residence? See Notes page 4

56. At any time on or after July 1, 2017, did your high school or school district homeless liaison determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless? See Notes page 4

57. At any time on or after July 1, 2017, did the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless? See Notes page 4

58. At any time on or after July 1, 2017, did the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting and at risk of being homeless? See Notes page 4
### Section D (Parent):
Complete this section if you (the student) answered “No” to all questions 46 through 58.

Answer all the questions in Section D even if you do not live with your legal parents (your biological and/or adoptive parents). Grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians, aunts and uncles are not considered parents on this form unless they have legally adopted you. If your legal parents are married to each other or are not married to each other and live together, answer the questions about both of them. If your parents were never married or are remarried, divorced, separated or widowed, see Notes on page 10 for additional instructions.

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What are the Social Security Numbers, or Individual Taxpayer Identification numbers, names and dates of birth of the parents reporting on this form? If your parents do not have a Social Security Number, enter their Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN). If they have neither, enter 000-00-0000. If the name includes a suffix, such as Jr., include a space between the last name and suffix. Enter two digits for each date and month (for example, for May 31, 1970, enter 05 31 1970). Questions 65 - 68 are for Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent).

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Questions 69 - 72 are for Parent 2 (father/mother/stepparent).

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<td>73. Your parents’ e-mail address. If you provide your parents’ e-mail address, we can contact them if we need more information. This e-mail address will be shared with the colleges listed on your NJ Tuition Equity Online Application to allow them to communicate electronically with your parents.</td>
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<td>74. In what state do your parents live?</td>
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<td>75. Did your parents start living in this state before January 1, 2013?</td>
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<td>76. If the answer to question 75 is “No” Do Not Leave This Blank. Give the month and year for the parent who began living in the state the longest.</td>
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<td>your parents</td>
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<td>your parents’ children, under the age of 24. If (a) your parents will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019, or (b) the children answer “No” to every question in Section C on page of this form.</td>
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<td>78. How many people in your parents’ household (from question 77) will be college students between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019?</td>
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Always count yourself as a college student. Do not include your parents. You may include others only if they will attend at least half-time in 2018-2019, a program that leads to a undergraduate degree and are under the age of 24.

In 2016 or 2017, did you, your parents, or anyone in your parents’ household (question 77) receive benefits from any of the state/federal programs listed? Mark all programs that apply. Answering these questions will not reduce your eligibility for student aid or other programs.

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<td>My parents are not going to file. Skip to question 92</td>
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89. What was your parents’ adjusted gross income for 2016? Adjusted gross income is on IRS Form 1040—line 37; 1040A-line 21; or 1040EZ—line 4. If your parents will not file a tax return, skip questions 89, 90 and 91.

90. Enter your parents’ income tax for 2016. Income tax amount is on IRS Form 1040—line 56 minus 46; 1040A—line 28 minus 36; or 1040EZ—line 10.

91. Enter your parents’ exemptions for 2016. Exemptions are on IRS Form 1040—line 6d or Form 1040A—line 6d.

For Form 1040EZ, see Notes page 3.

Questions 92 and 93 ask about earnings (wages, salaries, tips, etc.) in 2016. Answer the questions whether or not a tax return was filed. This information may be on the W-2 forms or on the tax returns listed in question 85: IRS Form 1040—lines 7 + 12 + 18 + Box 14 (Code A) of IRS Schedule K-1 (Form 1065); on 1040A—line 7; or on 1040EZ—line 1. If any individual earning item is negative, do not include that item in your calculation. Report the information for the parent listed in questions 65-68 in question 92 and the information for the parent listed in questions 69-72 in question 93.

92. How much did Parent 1 (father/mother/stepparent) earn from working in 2016?

93. How much did Parent 2 (father/mother/stepparent) earn from working in 2016?

94. As of today, what is your parents’ total current balance of cash, savings and checking accounts? Don’t include student financial aid.

95. As of today, what is the net worth of your parents’ investments, including real estate? Don’t include the home in which your parents live. See Notes page 3.

96. As of today, what is the net worth of your parents’ current businesses and/or investment farms? Don’t include a family farm or family businesses with 100 or fewer full-time or full-time equivalent employees. See Notes page 3.

97. Intentionally Blank

98. Parents’ 2016 Untaxed Income (Enter the amounts for your parent[s].)

a. Payments to tax-deferred pension and savings plans (paid directly or withheld from earnings), including, but not limited to, amounts reported on the W-2 forms in Boxes 12a through 12d, codes D, E, F, G, H and S. Don’t include amounts reported in code DD (employer contributions toward employee health benefits).

b. IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, Keogh and other qualified plans from IRS Form 1040—line 28 + line 32 or 1040A—line 17.

c. Child support received for any of your parents’ children. Don’t include foster care or adoption payments.

d. Tax exempt interest income from IRS Form 1040—line 8b or 1040A—line 8b.

e. Untaxed portions of IRA distributions from IRS Form 1040—lines (15a minus 15b) or 1040A—lines (11a minus 11b). Exclude rollovers. If negative, enter a zero here.

f. Untaxed portions of pensions from IRS Form 1040—lines (16a minus 16b) or 1040A—lines (12a minus 12b). Exclude rollovers. If negative, enter a zero here.

g. Housing, food and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy and others (including cash payments and cash value of benefits). Don’t include the value of on-base military housing or the value of a basic military allowance for housing.

h. Veterans noneducational benefits, such as Disability, Death Pension, or Dependency & Indemnity Compensation (DIC) and/or VA Educational Work-Study allowances.

i. Other untaxed income not reported in items 98a through 98h, such as workers’ compensation, disability benefits, etc. Also include the untaxed portions of health accounts from IRS Form 1040—line 25. Don’t include student aid, earned income credit, additional child tax credit, welfare payments, untaxed Social Security benefits, Supplemental Security Income, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act educational benefits, on-base military housing or a military housing allowance, combat pay, benefits from flexible spending arrangements (e.g., cafeteria plans), foreign income exclusion or credit for federal tax on special fuels.

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Section E (Student): Complete this step only if you (the student) answered “Yes” to any questions in Section C.

99. How many people are in your household? Include yourself and:
   - your spouse, if married
   - your children, if you will provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019, even if they do not live with you, and
   - other people, if they now live with you and you provide more than half of their support and you will continue to provide more than half of their support between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019.

100. How many people in your (and your spouse’s) household (from question 99) will be college students between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019? Always count yourself as a college student. Do not include family members who are in U.S. military service academies. Include others only if they will attend, at least half-time in 2018-2019, a program that leads to a college degree or certificate. In 2016 or 2017, did you (or your spouse) or anyone in your household (from question 99) receive benefits from any of the state/federal programs listed? Mark all the programs below that apply. Answering these questions will not reduce your eligibility for student aid or for these other programs.

- Medicaid or Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Free or Reduced Price School Lunch
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

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Section F (Student)

Additional New Jersey State Questions

107. Veterans Educational Benefits*
108. Type of Veterans Benefits
109. Veterans Benefit Number of Months
110. Veterans Benefit Monthly Amount
111. Untaxed Social Security Benefits
112. Earned Income Tax Credit
113. Spouse Social Security Number
114. Spouse First Name
115. Spouse Last Name
116. Parent 1 Social Security Number
117. Parent 2 Social Security Number
118. Parent 1 First Initial
119. Parent 2 First Initial
120. Parent 1 Last Name
121. Parent 2 Last Name

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Section G (Student): NJ State Grant Questions

Important Note: The amounts are NOT counted towards the NJEIT calculation only stored. HESAA will adjust AGI after verifying IRS Form 5329.

For Dependent Students:

122. Did you report an early distribution from a qualified retirement account due to an economic hardship for Tax Year 2016?  Yes ☐ No ☐

123. If yes, did you file a 2016 IRS Form 5329 (Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans and Other Tax Favored Accounts.) Yes ☐ No ☐

124. If yes - enter the amount of the distribution (Line 1) and the exception code (Line 2) of the 2016 IRS Form 5329 (Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans and Other Tax Favored Accounts).

125. Did your parent(s) report an early distribution from a qualified retirement account due to an economic hardship for Tax Year 2016?  Yes ☐ No ☐

126. If yes, did your parent(s) file a 2016 IRS Form 5329 (Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans and Other Tax Favored Accounts.) Yes ☐ No ☐

127. If yes - enter the total amount of your parent(s) distribution (Line 1) and the exception code (Line 2) of the 2016 IRS Form 5329 (Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans and Other Tax Favored Accounts.)

If you answered YES to filing an IRS Form 5329 click here to request one.

For Dependent Student:

131. Student IRS Form 5329 Exception Code

132. Student IRS Form 5329 Amount $

133. Parent(s) IRS Form 5329 Exception Code

134. Parent(s) IRS Form 5329 Amount $

For Independent Students:

128. Did you or your spouse report an early distribution from a qualified retirement account due to an economic hardship for Tax Year 2016?  Yes ☐ No ☐

129. If yes, did you or your spouse file a 2016 IRS Form 5329 (Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans and Other Tax Favored Accounts.) Yes ☐ No ☐

130. If yes - enter the amount of the distribution (Line 1) and the exception code (Line 2) of the 2016 IRS Form 5329 (Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans and Other Tax Favored Accounts.)

*(Note: for Line 1 set valid entry to only Numeric with 6 characters Max)

*(Note: for Line 2 set valid entry to only Numeric with 2 characters Max not to exceed value of 12)

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Section H(Student): Indicate which colleges you plan on attending during 2018-2019 academic year.

137. Did you attend high school in New Jersey for three or more years?  
   Yes [ ] No [X]

138. Did you graduate from a high school in New Jersey or receive the equivalent of a high school diploma in New Jersey?  
   Yes [ ] No [X]

139. Did you file an application to legalize your immigration status, or plan to file as soon as you are eligible to do so?  
   Yes [ ] No [ ]

Enter the six-digit code and your housing plans for each New Jersey college or university you are considering attending. This application uses the same codes as the FAFSA so you can find the school codes at www.fafsa.gov or by calling 800-433-3242. If you cannot obtain a code, write in the complete name, address, city and state of the college.

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Section I (Student and Parent): Read, sign and date.

If you are the student, by using this application you certify that you (1) will use state student financial aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education, (2) are not in default on a state/federal loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it, (3) do not owe money back on a federal or state student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it, (4) will notify your college if you default on a state/federal student loan and (5) will not receive NJ State aid from more than one college for the same period of time.

If you are the parent or the student, by signing this application you agree, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form. This information may include U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file. Also, you certify that you understand that the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority has the authority to verify information reported on this application with your institution and state and federal agencies. If you sign any document related to the state student aid programs electronically using a personal identification number (PIN), you certify that you are the person identified by the PIN and have not disclosed that PIN to anyone else. If you purposefully give false or misleading information, you may be fined up to $20,000, sent to prison, or both.

141. Date this form was completed.


142. Student (Sign below)

A parent with information listed in Section D (must sign below.)

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