

2026-2027 Unusual Circumstances Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Determination Request

This form is for dependent students that are unaccompanied (not living in the physical custody of a parent/guardian) and are either homeless (lacking fixed, regular, and adequate housing), or are self-supporting and at risk of homelessness.

SECTION A: STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name	UNT Assigned ID

SECTION B: INSTRUCTIONS

Please follow the steps below to be considered for an Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Determination. Your request will not be processed unless **all** requirements are met.

1. **Attach** a typed personal statement explaining your circumstances, including timeline of events, current living arrangements and how you support yourself.
2. **Attach** documentation that confirms you are unaccompanied and homeless or unaccompanied, self-supporting, and at risk of homelessness from one of the following:
 - Your high school or school district homeless liaison,
 - The director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program,
 - The director of a runaway or homeless youth basic shelter or transitional living program, or
 - Relevant third-party professional (i.e., private or publicly funded homeless shelters/ service providers, financial aid administrators from another college, college access programs such as TRIO and GEAR UP, college/ high school counselors, mental health professionals, social workers, mentors, doctors, and clergy)

Note: If you are unable to obtain the required documentation, please clearly address the circumstances in your personal statement as to why there is no supporting documentation.

3. **Return** all documents to our office: <https://financialaid.unt.edu/upload>.
4. **Monitor** your EagleConnect email account for a decision regarding your request. Requests for additional documentation will be emailed to your UNT EagleConnect email account.

SECTION C: CERTIFICATION

I am requesting consideration for an Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Determination at the University of North Texas. I certify that I am unaccompanied, and either homeless, or self-supporting and at risk of being homeless. I request to be considered as an independent student for financial aid purposes and have attached the required documentation to this form. I understand that I must sign and return this form for my financial aid to be processed. **Handwritten signature is required. Electronic or typed signatures are not accepted.**

Student Signature

Date

X_____

Return this completed form with any required documentation to:

Financial Aid & Scholarships, University of North Texas - 1155 Union Circle #311370, Denton, TX 76203-5017
or fax to (940) 565-2738 or save as PDF and upload at <https://financialaid.unt.edu/upload>



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Unusual Circumstances Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Personal Statement

Use this form to provide the required Personal Statement submitted with your completed Unaccompanied Homeless Youth Determination Request. The use of this form is not required; you may type your full Personal Statement, but it must contain the information requested below.

SECTION A: STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name	UNT Assigned ID

SECTION B: Student Situation

Briefly explain your situation including your relationship with parents, timeline of events, current living arrangements and how you support yourself. (Information submitted is kept confidential.) **Statement must be typed.**

Student Signature

Date

X_____

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Unaccompanied Homeless Youth: Statement by a Relevant Third Party

Financial Aid & Scholarships appreciates your assistance with a brief statement on your professional knowledge of the student's personal situation. Third parties may submit a signed typed statement on professional letterhead in lieu of this form. Typed statement must include information requested on this form.

Student Name	UNT Assigned ID

SECTION B: STATEMENT BY A RELEVANT THIRD PARTY

Professional's Name:		Title (Doctor, Professor, etc.)
Phone number (including area code)	Email:	
Street Address:	City, State:	Zip Code:
• How long have you known the student? _____ • What is your relationship to the student? _____ • With whom does the student reside? _____ • How does the student support themselves? _____		
Please briefly explain the student's situation, including parent relationship, who is responsible for the student's living expenses, what environment the student lives in (such as an apartment, their car, a motel, etc.), and whether the student is homeless or at risk of being homeless.		

SECTION C: CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information contained on this form is true and accurate. I understand that I may be contacted if further information is needed.

Signature

Date

X _____

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