

# Central College

## Financial Aid Appeal Form 2009-2010

### Loss of Income and/or Assets Due to Natural Disaster

#### READ THIS SECTION TO AVOID DELAYS IN PROCESSING

This form is to notify Central College of a loss or reduction of you and/or your family's income and/or assets due to the natural disaster, such as the severe flooding and tornadoes that hit Iowa this year. ***If you have expenses for medical, dental, private school tuition or parent(s) college expenses do not use this form.*** A separate form is available for this situation. You may check all of the items that apply to your and your parents' situation.

- No changes will be made without proper documentation. We reserve the right to request additional documentation as needed.
- Student loss of income will only be considered for students independent for financial aid purposes or those students with a listed income over \$3,080 (the amount of income that is protected by the formula).
- Each request is reviewed on an individual basis and approval or denial of your appeal will be final. If you are filing this request, you must have FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) results on file already or be in the process of completing the FAFSA form.
- Submission of an appeal does not guarantee an adjustment to your financial aid award. A revised award will be mailed to all students for whom the award is adjusted.

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

- Complete the form. Incomplete forms will be returned to the student for completion.
- Attach documentation of your situation. Acceptable documentation will be explained under each heading.
- Attach a letter of explanation. Write a brief essay explaining your family's current financial situation in great detail. The more information we have the better we are able to help you.
- Sign this form.
- Have your parent sign this form (unless you are an independent student).
- Attach copies of your 2008 federal tax return and all W-2 statements for 2008.
- Attach copies of your parents' 2008 federal tax return and all W-2 statements for 2008.

We reserve the right to request copies of your 2009 federal tax return in April 2010 to document the accuracy of any estimated earnings if your appeal is approved. If a request for the 2009 federal tax forms is made and you fail to provide the requested returns, any additional aid received will be reversed and you will need to repay the funds to Central College. By signing this appeal form you are agreeing to provide Central College with your and your parents' 2009 federal tax returns upon our request.

Mail forms, documentation and essay to: Central College Financial Aid Office  
812 University Street, Campus Box 5800  
Pella IA 50219

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Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student's SSN or ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student's Campus Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Campus Box # \_\_\_\_\_

**Loss/Reduction of Income**

- I am a student who lost income in 2009 due to a natural disaster.  
 Date of job loss \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Employer and Location \_\_\_\_\_
- My spouse lost income in 2009 due to a natural disaster.  
 Date of job loss \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Employer and Location \_\_\_\_\_
- My mother lost income in 2009 due to a natural disaster.  
 Date of job loss \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Employer and Location \_\_\_\_\_
- My father lost income in 2009 due to a natural disaster.  
 Date of job loss \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Employer and Location \_\_\_\_\_

Acceptable documentation: copies of most recent pay stub or a letter from employer verifying last day of employment. If that is not available due to the circumstances, please send a detailed, hand signed letter identifying the situation, the name of your employer and your best estimation as to your income in 2009.

**Loss of Significant Assets**

- Loss of assets due to natural disaster.

Acceptable documentation: If you and your family lost significant assets due to flooding or other natural disaster that will not be covered by insurance, please send a detailed list estimating the type and value of the assets lost and, if available, a letter from your insurance agent stating the amount of the loss, if any, that will be covered by insurance. Please indicate if the assets were listed on the FAFSA form or not, and if listed, were they listed as student or parent assets?

**Loss of Unemployment Compensation, Untaxed Income or Benefits**

- Loss of income/benefits (taxed/untaxed) including Social Security, child support or unemployment compensation associated with a natural disaster.

Type of benefits: \_\_\_\_\_ Benefits were in the name of (Circle one →) Student/Parent  
 Last payment is expected: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Total amount estimated to receive in 2009: \_\_\_\_\_

Acceptable documentation: copies of court orders, statement from Social Security, or legal papers.

**Independent Student's Estimated Income**

- Actual income may be verified in 2010 using your 2009 federal tax return. If changes are made to your financial aid and your actual income is higher than your estimates, your financial aid may be reduced.
- Enter 0 do not leave any line blank or this form will be returned to you.

Earned Income:		Other Untaxed Income for Year:	
January 09 – May 09	\$ _____	Annual Social Security Benefit	\$ _____
June 09 – August 09	\$ _____	Annual AFDC/ADC	\$ _____
September 09- December 09	\$ _____	Annual Other Untaxed Income	\$ _____

**Parents' Estimated Income**

- Actual income may be verified in 2010 using your 2009 federal tax return. If changes are made to your financial aid and your actual income is higher than your estimates, your financial aid may be reduced.
- Enter 0; do not leave any line blank or this form will be returned to you.

**Estimated 2009 Income** (1/1/09 to 12/31/09)

Father/stepfather 2009 work income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/stepmother 2009 work income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Severance compensation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Unemployment compensation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Interest/dividend and capital gain income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Business or real estate income/loss \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Taxable IRA/pension/annuity distribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other taxable (Social Security, alimony) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated 2009 Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE USE ONLY: 2009 Verified Income
\$ _____
\$ _____
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\$ _____
\$ _____

**Estimated 2009 Untaxed Income** (1/1/09 to 12/31/09)

Untaxed Social Security benefits \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Child support received for all children \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Untaxed pension distributions \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payments to IRA/401k/other plans \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TANF or AFDC/ADC \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION**

I/we affirm that the data contained on this form is true and complete to the best of my/our knowledge. Upon request I/we will provide documentation to substantiate the information provided. We understand that completing this form does not guarantee that financial aid will be increased.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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EFC \_\_\_\_\_ Tran \_\_\_\_\_ Taxes Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Prior Pro Years \_\_\_\_\_ Staff member \_\_\_\_\_

Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Write a brief essay to explain your situation: