



2023-24 Reconsideration of Need Appeal Form

STUDENT NAME _____ STUDENT ID _____

A reconsideration of need appeal is appropriate when the amount of income that you, your spouse, or your parent(s) reported on your FAFSA has changed considerably due to a documentable special circumstance that occurred.

Your appeal will not be reviewed until the following documentation has been received and processed by the Financial Aid Office.

(Additional documentation/clarification may be requested by the Financial Aid Office.)

- 1) 2023-24 FAFSA application
- 2) Signed copy of 2021 federal tax return including all schedules
- 3) 2023-24 Household Size Verification form
- 4) 2023-24 Asset Form

Please check the option(s) that best describe(s) your situation	Documentation Required
_____ My own, my spouse's, or my parent(s)' employment income has changed considerably	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Personal statement detailing the current situation and the prospects for employment changes in the near future.Documentation verifying the change in employment income such as a termination or layoff notice (if applicable).Last pay stub showing year to date earnings and a pay stub from new employment (if applicable).Documentation of all unemployment benefits if not reported on tax return (if applicable).You may also be asked to provide a copy your 2021 W-2s/1099 forms, and/or your 2022 tax returns, including all schedules.
_____ I, my spouse, or my parent(s) have/has unusually high unreimbursed, non-elective medical or dental expenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Personal statement detailing your circumstances.Medical Expense form with supporting documentation.A copy of your 2022 tax return, including schedules, may be requested.
_____ I, my spouse, or my parent(s) lost untaxed income or benefits such as child support	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Personal statement explaining circumstances.Documentation showing amount received.Documentation showing the benefit is no longer being received and date ended.
_____ I, my spouse, or my parent(s) have/has elementary or secondary tuition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Personal statement addressing the reason the student must attend a private institution vs. a public institution.Receipts showing amounts of elementary/secondary tuition paid and for whom the tuition was paid for the calendar year.
_____ I, my spouse, or my parent(s) have a loss of income and/or assets due to reasons beyond their control (i.e. death, natural disaster, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Personal statement explaining circumstances.Relevant documentation showing unreimbursed loss (i.e. death certificate, documentation from insurance company showing fire loss not covered, etc.)
_____ I, my spouse, or my parent(s) have/had a conversion of traditional IRAs to Roth IRAs in reported tax year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Signed personal statement describing reason for request.Copy of 2021 Federal income tax return showing conversion.

Only complete and signed appeals will be considered. Appeals are reviewed on a case by case basis and may take 3 weeks to process. The approval of an appeal does not guarantee additional financial aid. Appeal decisions will be emailed to student's [Fort Lewis College email](#). In order for us to discuss or confirm information with the parent listed below, related to this request, a FERPA release will need to be on file. All decisions are final.

I/we certify that all information I/we included in this appeal is true and accurate.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Spouse/Parent Signature (if applicable): _____ Date: _____