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## 2026 - 2027 PELL GRANT UNDER SPECIAL RULE FORM

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SPU ID: \_\_\_\_\_

You indicated on your 2026-2027 FAFSA that your parent or guardian died in the line of duty, which may make you eligible for Pell Grant under Special Rule.

**Please check each box below that applies to you:**

- Be the child of a parent or guardian who died in the line of duty while:
  - Serving on active duty as a member of the Armed Forces on or after September 11, 2001; **OR**
  - Actively serving as and performing the duties of a public safety officer (Public Safety office can include law enforcement, firefighter, ambulance, FEMA employees, Emergency management or civil defense, chaplain, or Others defined in Section 1204 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968)
- Be less than 33 years old as of 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).

**You must also provide documentation to certify this information.**

Documentation must confirm that your parent or guardian was killed in the line of duty. Acceptable documentation may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- A copy of the servicemember's DD Form 1300 (Report of Casualty) which documents death in the line of duty
- A copy of the servicemember's DD Form 214 and death certificate, documenting that the date and cause of death occurred during and as a result of active duty
- A Department of Veterans Affairs Death Narrative Document
- 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.
- 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 office
- Other documentation the school determines to be from a credible source that describes or reports the circumstances of the death and the eligible occupation of the parent or guardian

By signing this verification statement, I attest that all information reported on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If asked, I agree to submit documentation supporting the information provided on this form.

**WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, sentenced to prison, or both.**

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Signature

Date

Phone

Email

**Please allow 10-15 business days for processing.**