

Missing Parental Data on FAFSA

You reported that your parent refuses to complete the parental information section of the FAFSA. Federal regulations allow us to process **ONLY** an unsubsidized Stafford loan for you at your current grade level if you submit a signed statement from your parent. The signed statement must include:

- The date your parents stopped their support
- Confirmation that your parents will not provide support in the future
- Confirmation that your parents refuse to complete the FAFSA

If your parent refuses to provide the signed statement, an independent third party may submit the information to our office.

Submission of this letter will not make you an independent student for financial aid purposes. If you believe you have an unusual circumstance and wish to appeal for independent student status please contact our office at (630) 829-6100 or via email at financialaid@ben.edu

Sincerely,

The Office of Financial Aid