



Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ FRC ID: \_\_\_\_\_

*Federal regulations require that students have graduated from high school in order to be eligible for financial aid. Graduation from high school includes having received a high school diploma, having a GED or having completed homeschooling at the secondary level as defined by state law.*

**NOTE: A high school certificate of completion is not acceptable. Students must meet their state's graduation requirements in order to qualify for financial aid.**

I am **eligible** for aid based on: (Please check the appropriate box and provide one of the following)

**HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA**

- A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.

**GED**

- A copy of the student's General Educational Development (GED) certificate or GED transcript.

**COMPLETION OF TWO-YEAR PROGRAM**

- An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree.

**PASSED STATE-AUTHORIZED EXAMINATION**

- A copy of the certificate the student received after passing a state-authorized examination which the state recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma [such as the California High School Proficiency Examination (CHSPE)].

**SECONDARY HOMESCHOOLED**

- Submit the Homeschool Form that can be found online at [www.frc.edu/financialaid/forms](http://www.frc.edu/financialaid/forms) or by visiting the Financial Aid office.



**NONE OF THE ABOVE APPLY TO ME**

If none of the above apply to you, you will not be eligible for federal financial aid until you have met the high school graduation requirement by taking and passing the GED.

However, there is one other possibility that would give you some other options. Did you enroll as a regular college student at FRC or elsewhere prior to July 1, 2012 (regardless of whether or not you attended the classes or earned any units)?

Yes

If **Yes**, please fill in the following & supply transcripts from each school. In addition, you **must** complete the “*Grandfathering Test Questionnaire*” on the last page of this form. We will determine if you have an alternative to the GED in order to become eligible to receive financial aid.

Name of School	Did you receive Financial Aid?	Did you PASS the Ability to Benefit Test (ATB)?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

No

If **No**, you will need to take and pass the GED in order to become eligible for financial aid. Contact the Assessment/Advising office for information about the GED.

**I CERTIFY THAT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE ALL INFORMATION COMPLETED ON THIS FORM IS CORRECT.**

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS WORKSHEET MUST BE SIGNED AND DATED TO BE VALID. ELECTRONIC AND/OR DIGITAL SIGNATURES ARE NOT VALID**



**GRANDFATHERING TEST QUESTIONNAIRE**

Answer the following questions to determine if an otherwise eligible student who **does not** have a high school diploma, the recognized equivalent of a high school diploma, or who has not completed a homeschool program, can become eligible for Title IV, HEA student assistance under one of the Ability-to-Benefit (ATB) alternatives.

1. Did or will the student attend an eligible program at any Title IV institution *prior to July 1, 2012*?
  - IF YES – The student may use any of the ATB alternatives to become eligible for Title IV, HEA student assistance.
  - IF NO – Continue to Question 2.
  
2. Did the student, *prior to July 1, 2012*, officially register at a Title IV institution, and is the student scheduled to attend an eligible program? (Will need proof of registration from institution)
  - IF YES – The student may use any of the ATB alternatives to become eligible for Title IV, HEA student assistance.
  - IF NO – The student **may not** use the ATB alternatives to become eligible for Title IV, HEA student assistance.

*If the response to either of the two questions is YES, but the student **has not** previously met any of the ATB alternatives, the student may still establish eligibility under any of the remaining alternatives **after July 1, 2012**.*

**Alternatives include:**

- Passing an independently administered, Department of Education approved ATB test.
- Completing at least six credit hours, or the equivalent coursework (225 clock hours), that are applicable toward a degree or certificate offered by the postsecondary institution.
- Completing a State process approved by the Secretary of Education.

**\*\*\* FOR OFFICE USE ONLY \*\*\***

- Acceptable documentation in file
- Type: \_\_\_\_\_
- Processed in Banner

_____ Processed by	_____ Date
-----------------------	---------------