



**West Essex Regional School District
Guidance Department**

**New Jersey Financial Aid Application
Graduation Requirement Waiver Form**

Under [P.L.2023, c.295](#), to receive a high school diploma, a student in the graduating classes of 2025, 2026, or 2027 must:

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application, or
- Be exempted from the requirement in accordance with procedures outlined in the law.

Additional information on financial aid:

- [FAFSA: usa.gov/fafsa](https://usa.gov/fafsa)
- [New Jersey State Financial Aid: hesaa.org/Pages/financialaidhub.aspx](https://hesaa.org/Pages/financialaidhub.aspx)

**Submitting this form does not prohibit a student from submitting a FAFSA
or New Jersey Alternative Financial Aid Application.**

Instructions:

1. Complete this form to request an exemption from the financial aid application requirement under the law.
2. If the student is under 18 years of age, the parent/guardian must sign the form.
3. If the student is 18 years of age or older, they may complete the form without a parent/guardian.
4. Submit the completed form to the student's school district.

Student Information:

Full Name of Student:	Age (years): Birthdate:
Personal Email Address:	Phone Number:

Parent/Guardian Information: (Optional if the student is 18 years or older)

Full Name of Parent/Guardian:	
Email Address:	Phone Number:

Signatures:

I am requesting an exemption from the [P.L.2023, c.295](#) financial aid application requirement for high school graduation.

Student Signature:	Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date: