Professional Judgment

Special Circumstances are anything that makes the information provided on the FAFSA form not reflective of the family's ability to pay. This can include anticipated differences between the prior-prior tax year and the upcoming year, such as an impending job loss or unusual capital gains.

Examples of situations that do not count as a special circumstance are vacation expenses, tithing expenses, standard living expenses (e.g., utilities, credit card debt, mortgage payments, car payments, lawn care, etc.).

We offer our families an opportunity to alert us to these special circumstances by way of our special professional judgment form. Completing this form does not guarantee an increase in your financial aid eligibility and, in some instances, additional documentation may be required in

REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
20 Federal taxeturn transcriptor student
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Involuntary Loss/Reduction of Vork Income (at least 3 months)
Termination Letter
Unemployment compensation letseatingweekly paymentand term ofeligibility (i.e. \$200 per week for 26 weeks, beginnin of ctober 1, 20)
Year to date earnings from terminated job, i.e. last pay stub
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Severance paperwork (payment made by employer at the time of or extended timeframe by the employer)
Involuntary Loss of Unemployment or some Untaxed Income or Benefit
State of unemployment expiration dated within the base year
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Copies of billings not covered by insurance, not included on taxes, and PAID by tax filer within the year of tax filing
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Death certificate
Year to date earnings of deceased, i.e. last pay stub

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