APPLICATION FOR OUT-OF-STATE TUITION WAIVER FOR NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS

As of the first day of classes for the term, a nonresident student can be considered for this waiver under the following conditions:

**Dependent Students**
If the parent or U.S. court-appointed legal guardian has maintained domicile in Georgia for at least 12 consecutive months and the student can provide clear and legal evidence showing the relationship to the parent or U.S. court-appointed legal guardian has existed for at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term. Under Georgia code, legal guardianship must be established prior to the student’s 18th birthday.

**Independent Students**
If the student can provide clear and legal evidence showing relations to the spouse and the spouse has maintained domicile in Georgia for at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term. This waiver can remain in effect as long as the student remains continuously enrolled.

If the parent, spouse, or U.S. court-appointed legal guardian of a continuously enrolled nonresident student establishes domicile in another state after having maintained domicile in the State of Georgia for the required period, the nonresident student may continue to receive this waiver as long as the student remains continuously enrolled in a public postsecondary educational institution in the state, regardless of the domicile of the parent, spouse, or U.S. court-appointed legal guardian.

**NOTE:** This petition is for information purposes only and does not in any way imply a determination of legal residence in Georgia. If approved this petition will grant a waiver that will allow you pay the in-state tuition rate for a period of 12 months. The Petition for Georgia Residence Classification Form is available at www.ColumbusState.edu/forms/

**Section I – To be completed by the STUDENT**

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This out-of-state tuition waiver request is based on the Georgia domicile of:

- ☐ Parent (students under the age of 24 only)
- ☐ U.S. court-appointed legal guardian (students under the age of 24 only)
- ☐ Spouse

Name of the above individual upon whom this waiver application is based: ________________________________

Will Georgia have been the present and permanent home (domicile) for the above individual for at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term the waiver is requested?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the above individual ever lived outside of the state of Georgia?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No  **If Yes:** They have continuously lived in Georgia since: ______________ (mm/yyyy)

Briefly explain the reason they moved to Georgia:

__________________________________________________________________________
Regarding the individual listed above, please provide the following information:

- Do they hold a current driver’s license/state-issued ID?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
  State issued? ______________

- Do they own a motor vehicle?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
  State registered? ______________

- Are they registered to vote?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
  State registered? ______________

- Did they file a state income tax return for the most recent tax year?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
  State filed? ______________

Section II – STUDENT Oath and Affirmation

I understand that I must notify Columbus State University immediately if my parent/guardian or spouse is assigned employment outside the State of Georgia. I also understand this waiver, if approved, is valid for 12 months and I must submit a Petition for Georgia Residency once this waiver expires.

I understand that any material false statement made knowingly and willingly by me on this application, or any documents attached hereto may, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 16-10-71, which provides that upon conviction, a person who knowingly commits the offense of false swearing shall be punished by a fine of not more than $1,000 or by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years, or both, subject me to prosecution in a court of law. Additionally, I further understand that any such false statement may subject me to immediate dismissal from the institution.

Further, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information submitted on this application is true and complete.

Student Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Section III – Documentation Requirements

ALL STUDENTS MUST PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

Documentation that the parent, U.S. court-appointed legal guardian, or spouse upon whom the waiver request is based has established and maintained domicile in Georgia for at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term the waiver is requested. Examples of supporting documentation include:

- Copy of their lease agreement or warranty deed in Georgia
- Copy of Georgia driver’s license or state-issued ID
- Copy of vehicle registration
- Copy of Georgia tax return filed for the most recent tax year

LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES

In addition to the above waiver-specific documentation requirements, students must be verified to be lawfully present in the United States before an out-of-state tuition waiver may be awarded.

NOTE: Additional documentation may be requested to determine waiver eligibility.

IN ADDITION, ONE OF THE FOLLOWING MUST BE SUBMITTED:

APPLYING BASED ON A PARENT OR U.S. COURT-APPOINTED LEGAL GUARDIAN (Students under the age of 24 only)

- Students applying based on their parent must submit a copy of their birth certificate listing the Georgia-domiciled individual as their parent.
- Students applying based on their Georgia-domiciled U.S. court-appointed legal guardian must submit a copy of the U.S. court documentation listing the Georgia-domiciled individual as their guardian.

APPLYING BASED ON SPOUSE

- Copy of marriage certificate for Georgia-domiciled individual and the student; or
- Copy of a jointly filed federal income tax return filed by the Georgia-domiciled individual for the most recent tax year listing the student as a spouse. Or, copy of a jointly filed federal income tax return filed by the student for the most recent tax year listing the Georgia-domiciled individual as a spouse.

Submit completed form and required documentation to:

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