

INDIANA TECH

Financial Aid Office

1600 East Washington Blvd

Fort Wayne, IN 46803

Selective Service Appeal

Student Name: _____ **Student ID:** _____

Email Address: _____ **Phone:** (____) _____

Current Address: _____
Street City State ZIP

Selective Service registration is the process by which the U.S. Government collects names and addresses of men age 18 through 25 to use in case of a national emergency. Male U.S. citizens are required to register within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Once men reach their 26th birthday, they can no longer register. Not registering is a felony offense, punishable by law. Failure to register may also cause permanent loss of eligibility for federal student financial aid, government employment, job training and U.S. citizenship for male immigrants.

Who must register?

- Any male U.S. citizen who is at least 18 and has not reached his 26th birthday.
- Male non-citizens who take up residency in the U.S. before their 26th birthday.
- Dual nationals that fall within ages of 18 and 26.

Registration Exemptions

- Males currently serving **active duty** in the military.
- Males who are not yet 18 at time they file FAFSA.
- Citizens of the Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands or the Federated States of Micronesia.
- Males born before 1960.
- Student who was hospitalized, incarcerated or institutionalized during entire time he was age 18 to 26.
- Student who is enrolled in any officer procurement program at certain universities.
- Student who is a commissioned public health service officer on active duty.
- Non-immigrants visiting the U.S. on student visit or visas and who are part of a diplomatic or trade mission with their families.
- Non-citizens who first entered the U.S. after age 26.
- Non-citizens who entered the U.S. as lawful non-immigrants on a valid visa and remained in the U.S. on the terms of that visa until after they turned 26 (the date of entry on form 1-94 will be relevant).

Acceptable Documentation of Exemption

- Documentation that student first entered country after 26th birthday.
- DD214 showing student served active duty in the military.
- Selective Service card confirming registration.
- Online verification of registration.
- Letter from Selective Service stating that student is registered or exempt.
- Documentation of other exemption circumstance (i.e. documentation of situation listed in exemptions).

Selective Service registration is a federal requirement. Registration, or documented exemption, must be confirmed before any Federal Student Aid funds may be disbursed. You should do the following in order to appeal your eligibility for federal student aid.

1. Obtain a Status Letter from Selective Service in one of these ways: visit the website (www.sss.gov) OR call (847-688-6888) OR write to: Selective Service System, P.O. Box 94368, Palatine, IL 60094-4638
2. Submit Status Letter to the Financial Aid Office for review. Your situation will need to be reviewed to determine if additional documentation is required. (See below for additional information)

If the Status Letter from Selective Service states:

- That you **WERE NOT** required to register, we do not need further documentation.
- That you **WERE** required to register, we will need a detailed letter from you (the student) explaining the reason for failure to register. The student letter should include the following information:
 - Explanation of why registration did not occur. Were you aware of the requirement to register?
 - How do you think you were unaware of this widely publicized Federal requirement?
 - Where were you living and provide details of what you were doing between the ages of 18 and up to your 26th birthday.
 - If you were incarcerated, institutionalized, hospitalized or confined to home – provide type of confinement, dates of confinement and supporting documentation of confinement.
 - Were you a United States Citizen between the ages of 18 and up to your 26th birthday? If not, what was your citizenship?

You must be able to provide additional supporting documentation of information provided in letter if requested from the Financial Aid Office.

I CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION I HAVE SUBMITTED PERTAINING TO THIS APPEAL IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Appeal Reviewed by: _____ **Decision:** Approved Denied **Student notified:** Yes No