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COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Office of Financial Aid
2014-2015 Cost of Attendance Adjustment

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We recognize you may have special expenses affecting your ability to afford to go to college. Our office uses a "standard" budget to establish financial need, which includes tuition/fees, books/supplies, room/board, transportation, and personal expenses. You may request consideration of additional expenses by completing this form and providing documentation/receipts to confirm the costs. The expenses must be educationally related and beyond your control. All requests are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. **Allow a minimum of 8 weeks for review**.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name _____ Social Security Number _____

Phone Number _____ E-mail Address _____

CHECK ALL BOXES THAT APPLY

- ❑ Increased tuition/fees costs in excess of 15 credits per quarter.
- ❑ I have excessive books and/or supplies, costs in excess of $400 per quarter. COPIES OF RECEIPTS ARE REQUIRED AND MUST BE ATTACHED.
- ❑ I am claiming a one-time-only adjustment for computer costs (hardware and/or software), purchased for educational purposes. **Copy of estimate or receipt for recently purchased computer is attached**. Maximum adjustment is $1,700.
- ❑ My rent/mortgage payment exceeds $550 per month, because my personal situation does not allow me to have a roommate to share expenses. Attach additional documentation to further explain your situation and your housing expenses. Maximum rent limit is $900 per month.
- ❑ I commute _____ miles each way, _____ days a week, to attend classes and/or for required internships. **For commuter mileage to be considered, mileage from home to campus or internship must exceed 50 miles each way per week**. **Printout from Mapquest or other online mileage calculator is required.**
- ❑ OTHER: I have additional expenses that do not meet the categories listed above, but I would like to have them reviewed by the Financial Aid Office for inclusion in my cost of attendance. I have attached a signed personal statement outlying this expense, and appropriate documentation to support my statement.

Please note that an increase in your "Cost of Attendance" does not guarantee that you will be offered more student aid.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information I have provided on this petition and in my personal statement is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

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