



*Student Financial Aid*

## **Petition for Georgia Residency for State Grants/Scholarships**

(This form is for state aid only and does not affect residency status for tuition purposes.)

### **Instructions:**

For students under the age of 24 and your parent/guardian claimed you on their most recent tax return. Please attach to this form:

- A copy of your parent's/legal guardian's most recent Georgia State Income Tax Form 500 showing that you were claimed on their taxes (All information can be blacked out except the student's SSN)
- A copy of your parent's/legal guardian's Georgia Driver's License
- At least two additional supporting documents (see list of acceptable documentation below) to prove Georgia residency for the past 12 consecutive months for your parent or guardian and must be dated back 12 months prior to the start of the term seeking enrollment. If you did not graduate from a Georgia high school, please provide documentation of Georgia residency for the past 24 consecutive months.

For students over the age of 24 or those under 24 and your parent/guardian did not claim you on their most recent tax return. Please attach to this form:

- A copy of your most recent Georgia State Income Tax Form 500 (All information can be blacked out except the student's SSN)
- A copy of your Georgia Driver's License
- At least two additional supporting documents (see list of acceptable documentation below) to prove Georgia residency for the past 12 consecutive months and must be dated back 12 months prior to the start of the term seeking enrollment. If you did not graduate from a Georgia high school, please provide documentation of Georgia residency for the past 24 consecutive months.

### **List of Acceptable Supporting Documentation**

- Georgia Automobile Registration
- Georgia Voter Registration
- Notarized letter on company letterhead indicating lease status or mortgage statement
- Proof of ownership of primary residency in Georgia
- Utility bill in your name (example: electricity, cable, water, telephone, not cellular phone)
- Other documentation may be acceptable at the discretion of the Financial Aid office

Submission of this form does not guarantee a change of residency status for HOPE. Per state policy: Determining a student's residency status must be based on the existence of surrounding objective circumstances that indicate a student's intent to maintain a permanent residence, or domicile, in the State of Georgia. The decision to change residency for HOPE purposes is at the discretion of the financial aid office. Students will be notified via email with a decision.

## Section I: Student Information

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Last Name                      First Name                      M I                      I D Number or Social Security Number

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Street Address                      Date of Birth

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City                      State                      Zip Code                      Phone Number (including area code)

\_\_\_\_\_@students.chattahoocheetech.edu

Are you a U S Citizen? Mark only one.

Yes, I am a U S Citizen ( U S National)

No, but I am an eligible noncitizen

If you are an eligible noncitizen, what is the date that your Permanent Residence status was granted by the U S Department of Homeland Security? \_\_\_\_\_ (MM/DD/YYYY)

You must attach the documentation.

Are you in Active Duty of Military Service?

Yes                       No

Are you stationed in Georgia?

Yes                       No

I am submitting this petition for in-state purposes to receive HOPE for \_\_\_\_\_ semester.

## Section II: High School/Homeschool/GED Information

Name of high school/homeschool/GED test center: \_\_\_\_\_

City and State: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of completion: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section III: Georgia Residency Information

Date you and your family moved to Georgia: \_\_\_\_\_

Georgia Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date issued: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Section IV: Statement

Please write a brief statement (print legibly or type) describing why you should be considered a Georgia resident for HOPE purposes. You may use additional paper if needed. Please include the following information in your statement:

- Purpose for coming to (or remaining in) Georgia
- Reasons why you expect to remain in Georgia indefinitely
- When you decided to become a legal resident of Georgia

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Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_