

Howard P. Rawlings Guaranteed Access Grant
5th Year Appeal Form
Academic Year 2020-2021
appeal.mhec@maryland.gov

Student Information: (Please print)

MHEC ID Number: _____ E-mail address: _____

Last name: _____ First name: _____ MI: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Expected college graduation date: _____

College attending for 2020-2021 academic year: _____

During the 2020-2021 academic year, will you be living (check one):

☐ on-campus ☐ off-campus ☐ with parents or other family members

Reason for Appeal:

All appeals must include a letter of explanation from the student, an official transcript, and appropriate documentation supporting the student's reason for appeal.

Please check the reason for your appeal.

- ☐ Academic program requires five years of study (requires letter from academic advisor)
- ☐ Serious illness or injury of the student (requires letter from physician)
- ☐ Serious illness of a member of the student's immediate family (requires letter from physician)
- ☐ Serious emotional difficulties of the student (requires letter from advisor, social worker, or psychologist, etc.)
- ☐ Extenuating financial circumstances beginning after January 1, 2020 (requires letter from student, photocopies of supporting documentation, and 2019 Federal IRS Tax Return Transcript and W-2 Forms for student and parent(s) if student is dependent). For example:
 - ☐ Job termination or layoff of student and/or parent(s)/spouse (requires original letter from employer)
 - ☐ Termination of benefits notice from the issuing agency for student
 - ☐ Separation agreement of student and/or parent(s)/spouse
 - ☐ Divorce decree of student and/or parent(s)/spouse

NOTE: Your appeal will not be considered if you do not provide required documentation **and** 2019 Federal IRS Tax Return Transcript and W-2 Forms for student (and parent(s) if student is dependent) by **July 15, 2020**.

This form and documentation as outlined above may be submitted in one of the following ways:

1. **By Mail:** Maryland Higher Education Commission
Office of Student Financial Assistance
6 N. Liberty Street, Ground Suite
Baltimore, MD 21201; or
2. **Email:** appeal.mhec@maryland.gov