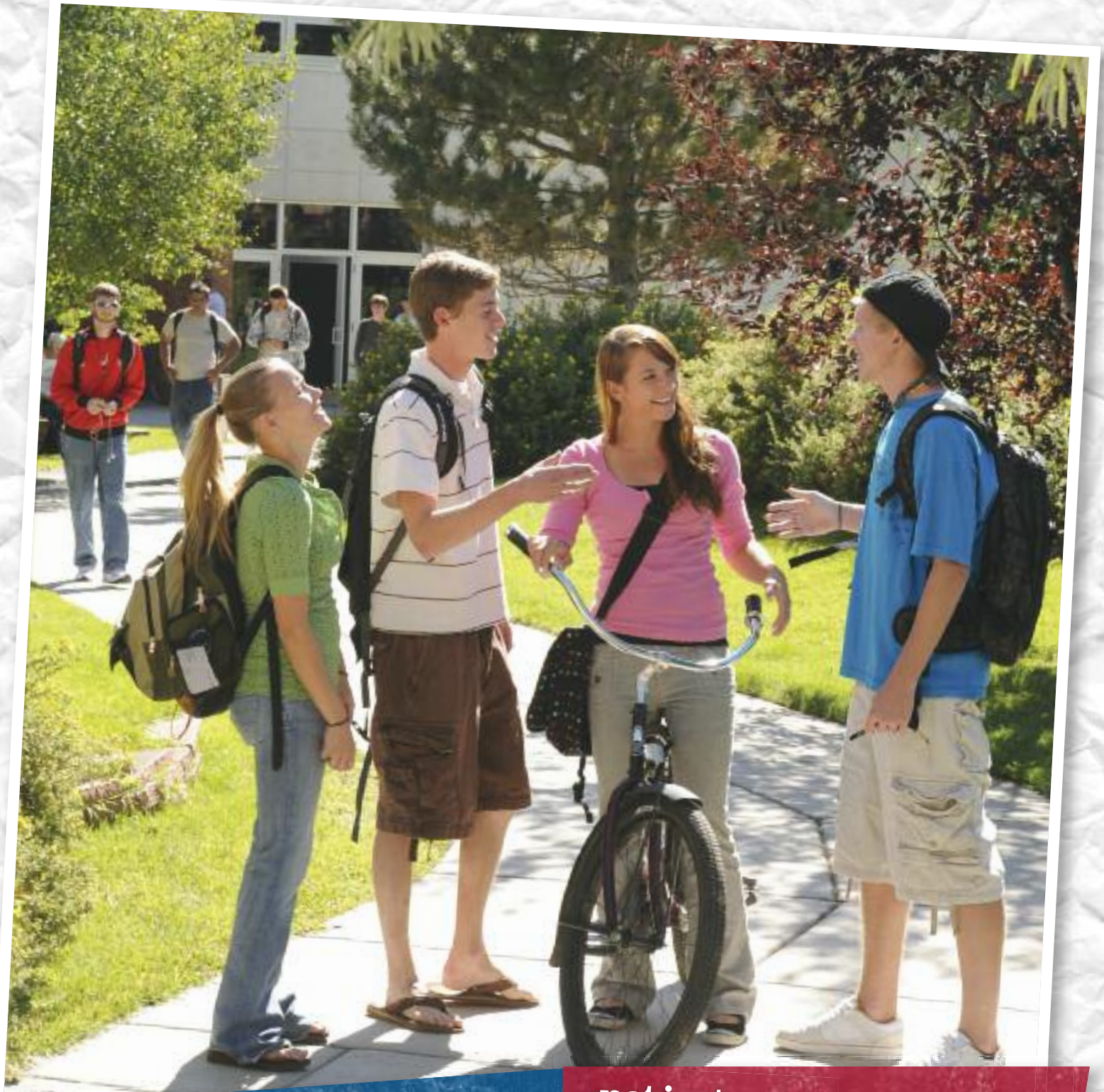


WESTERN STATE COLLEGE OF COLORADO

2011-2012 APPLICATION FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION



not just any

STUDENT

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COLLEGE

General Admission Information

Western State College of Colorado offers BA and BFA degrees in more than 75 academic programs. We welcome your application for admission, and we encourage you to join our 2,300 students. We know that you are not just any student, and we are not just any college.

Western State College is considered a moderately selective institution. We base our admission on the factors that are important for success. Among those factors are student grades, class rank, ACT or SAT scores, high school or college courses, personal essay and recommendations. We don't use any single criterion for admission, but the most important factors are your academic performance and course work. Financial need is not considered.

Students are encouraged to apply online to expedite the admission process. You can apply online at:

<http://www.western.edu/admissions/apply-now>

Freshman Admission

To be considered for admission to Western as a new freshman, please submit the following:

1. Application for undergraduate admission
2. \$30 non-refundable application fee
3. Official high school transcripts, GED or home school portfolio
4. ACT or SAT test scores
5. Personal essay and letters of recommendation (optional)

Freshman applicants should have achieved at least a 2.5 GPA (or be in the upper 60% of their graduating class) and should meet the HEAR course requirements outlined on the following page. Freshman applicants should also have scored at least a 19 ACT or 900 SAT (combined critical reading and math score). If you are home-schooled or if your high school does not rank or give grades, we will work with you to fairly evaluate your record. In these cases we will usually give more weight to ACT/SAT scores.

Transfer Admission

Students will be considered for transfer admission if they have attended college after high school graduation. To be considered for admission to Western as a transfer student, please submit the following:

1. Application for undergraduate admission
2. \$30 non-refundable application fee
3. Official college transcripts from all previous colleges attended
4. If less than 30 college credits have been completed, students must also submit official high school transcripts and ACT or SAT test scores
5. Personal essay and letters of recommendation (optional)

Transfer applicants should have achieved at least a 2.5 GPA in all college coursework combined. Transfer applicants with fewer than 30 college credits must also meet the freshman requirements listed previously.



International Admission

You are an international student only if you will apply for or already have a non-immigrant United States F-1 visa. Western State College admits students on an F-1 visa only. Applicants who have established permanent resident status in the United States are not considered international for admission purposes and should apply as a United States resident. To be considered for admission to Western as an international student, please submit the following:

1. Application for undergraduate admission
2. \$30 USD non-refundable application fee
3. Official transcripts translated into English
4. TOEFL or SAT test score
5. Bank Statement/Financial Documentation
6. Affidavit of Support Form
7. Personal essay and letters of recommendation (optional)

International applicants will be evaluated on the same academic criteria as regular freshman or transfer applicants. Students whose first language is not English should score a 550 or higher (paper version) or 213 or higher (computer based) on the TOEFL exam. Students whose first language is English should score a 950 (combined critical reading and math scores) on the SAT. TOEFL/SAT requirements will be waived for international students transferring in at least 30 college credits from a U.S. college or university and who have successfully completed a college level English Composition course. For additional information on international admission please visit our website.

Decisions for admission are made on a rolling basis. Please submit your application by the following dates:

Fall admission for freshmen: June 1

Fall admission for transfers: June 1

Spring admission for freshmen: December 1

Spring admission for transfers: December 1

International students must complete the application process at least 30 days prior to the beginning of the semester they would like to enroll.

admission CHECKLIST

- Complete all sections of the application form
- Enclose \$30 non-refundable application fee
- Request high school transcripts or GED scores be sent directly to Western State College (not required of transfer applicants with over 30 college credits)
- Request official college transcripts from ALL colleges previously attended (not required of freshmen applicants)
- Submit ACT or SAT scores (all freshmen and transfer applicants with fewer than 30 college credits)
- Submit personal essay and letters of recommendation (these items are optional, but recommended)

HEAR

(Higher Education Admission Requirements)

The Colorado Commission on Higher Education (CCHE) has added a pre-collegiate curriculum requirement to its Admission Standards policy to help ensure the academic success of college-bound students. Applicants who graduated from high school in spring 2008 or later and plan on attending a Colorado public four-year college or university should complete certain core requirements for admission into BA degree programs. All freshmen and transfer students with fewer than 30 college credits should also meet these academic course requirements in their high school record. The following chart lists HEAR course requirements.

HEAR Requirements	Units
English <i>(two units must include writing, composition or grammar)</i>	4
Mathematics <i>(Algebra I level and higher)</i>	4
Natural/Physical Sciences <i>(two units must be lab-based)</i>	3
Social Sciences <i>(at least one unit of U.S. or world history)</i>	3
Foreign Language	1
Academic Electives	2

To ensure applicants meet the above requirements, we must know all courses you will be taking your senior year. Please complete the "Senior Year Schedule" section of the application form completely or attach a full senior year schedule.

For more information on HEAR requirements please visit:
<http://highered.colorado.gov/academics/admissions/coursecompletion.html>



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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: I have official transcripts in a sealed envelope. Can I submit them as official?

A: We prefer to receive transcripts directly from the issuing institution, however, we will accept transcripts in a sealed envelope as official.

Q: My final college transcript lists all of my previous coursework taken at other colleges. Do I still need to contact the other colleges for transcripts?

A: Yes – we must have an official transcript from EVERY college or university previously attended.

Q: When is the deadline to apply to Western?

A: We encourage you to apply early, however, you should apply for admission for the fall semester no later than June 1. Spring applicants should apply no later than December 1.

Q: I am planning on only taking one or two classes at Western. Do I still need to apply for admission?

A: Anyone interested in taking classes at Western must go through the application process. Most students should complete the regular Application for Undergraduate Admission. Please contact the Admissions Office if you have questions concerning completing the regular admission application.

Q: I have a GED or I am home-schooled. What do I need to do to apply for admission?

A: Students who are home-schooled or those who have a GED should complete the application form, submit GED scores or home-school portfolio and ACT or SAT test scores.

Q: Why do you need my parents' information under the residency section?

A: Colorado law requires parents' residency information to determine if a student is eligible for in-state tuition for all students under the age of 23. Please contact the Admissions Office if you have further questions on residency.

Q: Is there a separate scholarship application?

A: No. Our automatic scholarships will be awarded solely based on your admission application materials. For more information visit: <http://www.western.edu/admissions/costs-scholarships>

Q: I have been admitted to Western State College. What is my next step?

A: Once you have been admitted, you will be mailed an official acceptance packet that includes information on when to expect future mailings from Housing, Financial Aid, Orientation, and Registration.

Q: What is the College Opportunity Fund (COF)? How do I access these funds?

A: The College Opportunity Fund, created by the Colorado Legislature provides a stipend to Colorado undergraduate students. Additional information can be found at: <http://www.collegeincolorado.org>

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TYPE or PRINT IN INK. Answer all questions completely. Do NOT use nicknames.

Personal Information

SEMESTER AND YEAR OF EXPECTED ENROLLMENT

Fall Spring Summer OF THE YEAR _____

CLASSIFICATION

New Freshman Transfer Student

FULL LEGAL NAME _____

Last

First

Middle

Other name under which transcript may be filed

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____ - _____ - _____

(*Disclosure is voluntary, used for recordkeeping, and requested pursuant to the institution's authority under § 24-72.3-102(2), C.R.S. to request a person's SSN when it determines that receiving the SSN is essential to the provision of services.)

BIRTH DATE _____ / _____ / _____

Month Date Year

AGE _____

FEMALE MALE

MAILING ADDRESS _____

Number and Street or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER (_____) _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

NATION OF CITIZENSHIP _____ If not U.S., give temporary Visa Number _____ Expiration Date _____

If applicant is under 23, Visa information for parent and student is required.

If a permanent resident of the U.S., give Alien Registration Number _____

Attach a photocopy of Visa or Permanent Registration card.

Date of Issuance _____ / _____ / _____

MILITARY SERVICE Yes No

ACTIVE DUTY DATES (mo/yr) _____ / _____ to _____ / _____

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR VETERAN'S BENEFITS? Yes No

ETHNICITY AND RACE

In order to comply with civil rights laws, Western State College of Colorado must collect race/ethnicity information about all students. This information is confidential and used only in compliance with the law. Response to the following is voluntary and responses will not influence the admission decision.

ETHNICITY (Select one): Hispanic/Latino, Latino, Chicano, Cuban, Puerto Rican, Mexican American Not Hispanic/Latino

RACE (Select one or more as appropriate):

White, Anglo, Caucasian (including Middle East, Persia)

American Indian or Alaska Native (original peoples)

Asian, Japanese, Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Filipino (including Indian subcontinent)

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (original peoples)

Black or African American (including Africa and Caribbean)

YOU MUST ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW. IF YOU ANSWER "YES," PLEASE ATTACH A STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION.

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? (Misdemeanor Traffic Violations are exempt.) Yes No

Have you ever been found responsible for any disciplinary violation that resulted in your probation, suspension, removal, dismissal, or expulsion from an educational institution? Yes No

Parent and Permanent Address Information

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Complete the following information for your (check one): Parent Legal Guardian Other

NAME _____ EMPLOYER _____ Mother Father

Last

First

HOME ADDRESS _____ (_____) _____ (_____) _____

Number and Street

City

State

Zip Code

Phone

Home

Phone

Work

Email _____ Occupation _____

NAME _____ EMPLOYER _____ Mother Father

Last

First

Email _____ Occupation _____

Has either parent/guardian earned a bachelor's degree or higher from a college or university? Yes No

College Plans

What will be your proposed major(s) or fields(s) of study? _____ Undecided

Will you seek a teaching certificate? Yes No Elementary Secondary

High School Education

LAST HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED _____
Name City State Zip Code

DATES OF ATTENDANCE (mo/yr) _____ / _____ to _____ / _____ DATE OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION (mo/yr) _____ / _____

If you are applying as a freshman, send official high school transcripts. LIST HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED (1 to 12) _____

If not a high school graduate, have you earned a GED Certificate? Yes No Date _____ / _____ / _____

Have you been home-schooled? Yes No Dates _____ / _____ to _____ / _____

You must submit a copy of your high school equivalency certificate and GED test scores.

Request copy of high school records be sent with your application.

High School Course Requirements

The following questions are required by the State of Colorado.

Please answer based upon courses you have completed, or will have completed by the time you graduate high school.

Have you completed or will you complete 4 years of English? Yes No
(This includes courses such as communication, composition, debate/speech, and literature. This does not include journalism, newspaper or yearbook.)

Have you completed or will you complete 1 year of foreign language? Yes No

Have you completed or will you complete 4 years (3 years for 2008 and 2009 graduates) of math? Yes No
(Algebra I, geometry and algebra II are required. Trigonometry, pre-calculus, calculus and other post algebra II math courses also qualify.)

Have you completed or will you complete 3 years of natural sciences? Yes No
(This includes biology, chemistry, physics, physical science, general science, earth science, environmental science, astronomy, geology, anatomy, physiology, botany, ecology, zoology and genetics.)

Have you completed or will you complete 3 years of social sciences? Yes No
(This includes U.S. history, world history, geography, U.S. government, economics, sociology, psychology, and other social science courses.)

Have you completed or will you complete 2 or more years of academic electives? Yes No
(This includes art, music, drama, journalism, yearbook, and computer science, as well as extra courses in English, foreign language, math, natural sciences and social sciences.)

ACT/SAT Scores

Indicate when you took the college entrance exam(s) ACT (mo/yr) _____ / _____ SAT (mo/yr) _____ / _____

Indicate when you plan to take or re-take the college entrance exam(s) ACT (mo/yr) _____ / _____ SAT (mo/yr) _____ / _____

College Education

PLEASE LIST ALL COLLEGE(S) YOU HAVE ATTENDED OR ARE CURRENTLY ATTENDING. INCLUDE COLLEGE(S) WHERE COURSE WORK WAS COMPLETED THROUGH CORRESPONDENCE, EXTENSION, OR THROUGH THE POST-SECONDARY OPTIONS ACT PROGRAM.

DATES OF ATTENDANCE	NAME OF COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY	CITY, STATE AND ZIP	DEGREE/DATE EARNED
_____ to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____ to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____ to _____	_____	_____	_____
_____ to _____	_____	_____	_____

Send official transcripts from each college attended. When courses in progress are completed, send final transcript.

If you have completed fewer than 30 semester hours of college credit, also submit your high school transcripts.

Have you applied to or previously attended Western State College? Yes No If yes, when? _____

Are you eligible to return to all collegiate institutions previously attended? Yes No

If you are not eligible to return, please attach a statement of explanation.

Senior Year Schedule/College Schedule

PLEASE LIST ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND/OR COLLEGE COURSES YOU ARE NOW TAKING OR PLAN TO TAKE BEFORE ENROLLING. THIS INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO DETERMINE TOTAL NUMBER OF ACADEMIC UNITS COMPLETED PRIOR TO ENROLLMENT. INDICATE WHETHER THEY ARE HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE COURSES (if they are college courses, give course number.) COURSES LISTED ARE High School courses College courses

COURSE TITLE	CREDITS	TERM/YEAR	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS	TERM/YEAR
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Tuition Classification/Residency Information

If you are claiming tuition classification as a Colorado resident, please fill out the following required information. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN YOUR CLASSIFICATION AS A NON-RESIDENT.

Are you claiming tuition classification as a Colorado Resident? Yes No

If yes, indicate Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____

If no, specify state of residence _____

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No

Immediately preceding your proposed first semester of enrollment at Western State College:

Did you or will you graduate from a Colorado public or private high school? ... Yes No

Did you attend a Colorado high school for at least three consecutive years? ... Yes No

Have you resided in Colorado for three years? Yes No

If you answered YES to all of the questions, you may skip the next section.

If you answered NO to any of the questions OR have completed/ will complete a GED, please complete the following section.

	YOUR PARENT (If you are under 23)	N/A	YOU (If you are 23 or over)	N/A
Dates of continuous physical presence in Colorado (mo/yr) ...	From _____ / _____ to _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	From _____ / _____ to _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dates of extended absences from Colorado (mo/yr) (gone for more than one month in the past two years)	From _____ / _____ to _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	From _____ / _____ to _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reason for absence _____				
List last 3 years Colorado income taxes have been filed	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dates of employment in Colorado (mo/yr)	From _____ / _____ to _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	From _____ / _____ to _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date Colorado Driver's License was first issued (mo/yr)	_____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date current Colorado Driver's License was issued (mo/yr)	_____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Driver's License or Colorado State ID Number	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
List last 3 years of Colorado Motor Vehicle registration	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vehicle License Plate Number	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date of Colorado Voter Registration (mo/yr)	_____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date of purchase or lease of any Colorado residential property (mo/yr)	_____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dates of military service, if applicable (mo/yr)	From _____ / _____ to _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	From _____ / _____ to _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
If your parents are separated or divorced, which one lives in Colorado? _____				

Students claiming a change in tuition classification must contact the Admissions Office for further information. Dependents of non-resident active duty military personnel stationed in Colorado may request a tuition adjustment to in-state rates. For information, contact your Military Base Education Office.

Signatures

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge that the information furnished on this application is true and complete. I understand that if found to be otherwise, it is sufficient cause for delay of admission, loss of credit, rejection, or dismissal. I hereby consent to the release of my transcript(s) to Western State College.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____
 If applicant is under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian's signature is also required.

Parent/Guardian signature _____ Date _____