



EL CAMINO COLLEGE  
Admissions and Records Office  
16007 Crenshaw Blvd - Torrance, CA 90506

**PETITIONS SUBMITTED AFTER THE POSTED DEADLINE  
WILL BE DENIED AND CANNOT BE APPEALED.**

**Please consult the appropriate class schedule for the deadline.**

## **DOCUMENT DATE RANGE**

RESIDENCY DOCUMENTS\* **MUST** BE DATED BETWEEN

**JUNE 18, 2015 - JUNE 18, 2016 FOR SUMMER 2017**

**AUGUST 25, 2015 - AUGUST 25, 2016 FOR FALL 2017**

\*CA Driver Licenses and IDs may be issued before the earliest date as long as they are currently valid.

**IMPORTANT – YOU MUST READ THE ENTIRE RESIDENCY RECLASSIFICATION PACKET TO INSURE THAT YOU SUBMIT THE PROPER DOCUMENTATION. SUBMITTING INSUFFICIENT DOCUMENTATION WILL RESULT IN THE DENIAL OF YOUR PETITION AND YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING NONRESIDENT FEES FOR ANY CLASS(ES) THAT YOU HAVE NOT DROPPED BY THE END OF THE FIRST WEEK OF THE SEMESTER\*\*.**

\*\*THE DEADLINE IS EARLIER FOR CLASSES THAT ARE LESS THAN 16 WEEKS IN LENGTH.

DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BECOME PROPERTY OF EL CAMINO COLLEGE. IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO SUBMIT ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS YOU MUST MAKE COPIES.

## **THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE WILL NOT MAKE COPIES OF YOUR DOCUMENTS FOR YOU.**

### **ATTENTION VETERANS AND DEPENDENTS**

PLEASE SEE PAGE 2 FOR RULES REGARDING RESIDENCY FOR MILITARY VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS.

**IMPORTANT: FERPA (Family Education Rights and Privacy Act)** - For all Admissions and Records transactions, anyone representing an applicant/student must provide a signed letter of consent from the student explicitly granting the third party approval to act on his/her behalf regarding their residency.

Effective for all terms starting after July 1, 2015 the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 (“Choice Act”) – Section 702 will be in effect at El Camino College.

The in-state tuition provision requires public institutions of higher learning to charge qualifying Veterans, spouses, and dependents tuition and fees at the same rate as resident students for terms that begin after July 1, 2015.

**Students Eligible for In-State Tuition under Section 702 are:**

- A Veteran who lives in the state in which the institution of higher learning is located (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) and enrolls in the school within three years of discharge from a period of active duty service of 90 days or more.
- A spouse or child using transferred benefits who lives in the state in which the institution of higher learning is located (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) and enrolls in the school within 3 years of the transferor’s discharge from a period of active duty service of 90 days or more.
- A spouse or child using benefits under the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship who lives in the state in which the institution of higher learning is located (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) and enrolls in the school within three years of the service member’s death in the line of duty following a period of active duty service of 90 days or more.
- For additional information please visit;  
[http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/school\\_resources.asp](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/school_resources.asp)

If you feel you qualify for the In-State Tuition under Section 702 please take your completed Residency Reclassification Petition and supporting documentation to the Veterans Resource Center for verification of eligibility then submit everything to the Admissions Office.

**PLEASE ALLOW AT LEAST 20 BUSINESS DAYS FOR DOCUMENT EVALUATION. YOU WILL BE CONTACTED ONCE YOUR PETITION HAS BEEN EVALUATED. APPROVALS WILL BE NOTIFIED VIA THEIR MYECC EMAIL. DENIALS WILL RECEIVE A DETAILED LETTER BY MAIL**

GENERAL RESIDENCY POLICY: Under the California Education Code, a student 1) must have been a legal California resident for at least **one (1) year and one (1) day prior** to the start of the semester to which you are applying to qualify as a resident student; 2) the student must have demonstrated intent to establish California residency for a minimum of two years; 3) has not engaged in conduct that is inconsistent with a claim for California residence; 4) is not prohibited by law from establishing California residency.

Students who are **under 19 years of age** at the start of the term in question cannot establish their own residency, they derive residency from their parent or legal guardian. For any student under the age of 19 who is classified as Out-of-Country, documentation of legal status (visa, permanent resident card, notice of action, etc.) for the parent **and** student is required. All documentation must be for the same parent or guardian. If the student lives with a legal guardian, court guardianship documents or two consecutive years of tax returns with the student as a dependent must also be submitted to demonstrate guardianship. Birth certificates may be requested if the parent and student have different last names.

The burden of proof to demonstrate both **PHYSICAL PRESENCE** in the state of California and **INTENT** to establish permanent California residence is on the student. Proof of residency is required even if you made a mistake when completing your admissions application. This means you **must** submit:

- 1. A MINIMUM OF TWO (2) ITEMS (at least 1 primary and 1 secondary) from the list below. If you submit two primary proofs, a secondary is not necessary. However, if you do not have a primary proof you must submit a minimum of three (3) secondary proofs.**
- 2. If you are not a United States citizen you must also submit documentation of a valid legal status that is eligible to establish residency under U.S. immigration laws. For students under 19, proof of legal status is required for both the parent/guardian AND the student .**

**NOTE—Some students may be asked to submit additional proofs of residency depending on the circumstances of their non-resident status.**

*Submitted documents must include NAME, A PHYSICAL CALIFORNIA ADDRESS \*NO P.O. BOXES\* and be dated within the date range on page 1 of this packet. Illegible documents will not be accepted. Please do not highlight or write on your documents.*

**\*\*\*Only one item from any one source will be accepted.\*\*\***

#### **PRIMARY PROOFS**

- Valid California Driver License/ID or CA DMV Printout (Online printout not accepted) or CA car registration
- California 540 tax form with California as the home address for the previous year including signature page (**540NR form NOT acceptable**) **The Federal Tax Form 1040 cannot be used as proof of residency.**
- Voter's registration card or proof of voter registration stamped by County Registrar's Office (Receipts not accepted)

#### **SECONDARY PROOFS**

- Utility bill (gas, telephone, cable, etc.) **BILLS FROM MULTIPLE UTILITIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**
- Apartment/home lease or rental agreement (one-year current) - **NO ROOM RENTALS OR MONTH-TO-MONTH**
- Proof of California car insurance (insurance card or policy). Student, or parent if student is under 19, must be **Primary Insured Driver**. We will not accept insurance renewal bill as proof.
- California bank account statement (Statement end date is the date that is used) - **NO CREDIT CARD STATEMENTS.**
- California health insurance—must include **resident address and issue date**.
- California public library membership, **if dated** or, Printout of library account information w/ library address stamp
- Paystub or, employment verification on company letterhead **along with** paystub if paystub does not include address
- Military discharge papers (DD 214) that includes Character of Service field if discharged within three years of start of semester or Leave and Earnings statement indicating California as home of record
- Filed Marriage license or divorce decree issued in California (for the appropriate time period)
- California State Aid, Social Welfare, California Court documents that have been filed with the court
- Union membership in a California Local—must include resident address and a date
- Licenses or certificates **issued by the state of California** with issue date - **NO HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS**

## GENERAL INFORMATION AND DEFINITIONS

### Residence

The location with which a person is considered to have the most settled and permanent connection; it is also the place where that person intends to remain, and during absences, intends to return. Residence results from the union of physical presence with objective evidence that the intent is to remain at that place for other than a temporary purpose.

Reference: ECS 68062, T5 54020

### Resident

A student who has established both physical presence and intent to make California the permanent home (domicile), for more than one year pursuant to the California Education Code, as of the residence determination date is, unless prohibited by law or regulation, to be considered a resident.

Reference: ECS 68017, ECS 68060

### Burden of Proof

The burden is on the student to demonstrate clearly, with proof, both physical presence in California and intent to establish California residence.

Reference: ECS 68041, T5 54026

### Reestablished Residence

If a student or the parents of a minor student relinquish California residence after moving from California, one full year of physical presence, coupled with one full year of demonstrated intent to be a California resident, is required to reestablish residence.

Reference: T5 54030

### Residence Determination Date

That day immediately preceding the opening day of instruction of the semester or session as set by the district governing board, during which the student proposes to attend a college.

Reference: ECS 68023, T5 54002

### Conduct Inconsistent With a Claim for California Residence

This includes but is not limited to:

- Maintaining voter registration and voting in another state.
- Being a petitioner for a divorce or lawsuit as a resident in another state.
- Attending an out-of-state institution as a resident of that state.
- Declaring non-residence for California income tax purposes.

Reference: T5 54024

### Military Personnel

The laws and regulations governing residency and residency determination for military personnel and their dependents are complex. These students are encouraged to make an appointment with the Veterans Services Specialist in Admissions if they have any questions.

### Alien Students

A student who is an alien may establish his or her residence pursuant to the provisions of the California Education Code if not precluded by the Immigration and Nationality Act from establishing domicile in the United States; provided that the student has had residence in California for more than one year prior to the residence determination date for the semester or session for which attendance is proposed. Reference: ECS 68062(h), T5 54045

An alien is precluded from establishing domicile in the United States if the alien entered the United States illegally, or under a visa which requires that the alien have residence outside of the United States, or that he or she entered the United States solely for a temporary purpose. An alien is precluded from establishing domicile in the United States and shall not be classified as a resident of this state if he or she holds a visa of the following types: B-1, B-2; C; D-1, D-2; F-1, F-2; H-2, H-3; J-1, J-2; M-1, M-2; O-2; P-1, P-2, P-3, P-4; Q; TN, TD.

Reference: Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C., 1101(a)(15).

ECS = Education Code Section    T5 = Title 5



EL CAMINO PETITION FOR RESIDENCY RECLASSIFICATION

Term: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>For Admissions Use Only</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> AB13 Eligible	By _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Resident	<input type="checkbox"/> Nonresident
By _____	Date ___ / ___ / ___

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part A - Legal Status:**

- Are you a citizen of the United States?  Yes  No **If yes, skip to Part B.**
- **If you are not a citizen, please complete the following questions regarding your legal status:**
- Do you have a permanent resident card?  Yes  No Issue Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_  
Expiration Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_
- Do you have an employment authorization card?  Yes  No Issue Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_  
Expiration Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_
- Do you hold a valid nonimmigrant visa?  Yes  No Visa Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
Issue Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_  
Expiration Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of proof of your legal status.**

**Part B - Military Service:**

- Are you on active duty in the US military?  Yes  No  
If yes, what date were you assigned to active duty? \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_  
Will you be stationed in California as of the start of the semester in question?  Yes  No  
If yes, were you assigned to CA for educational purposes?  Yes  No
- Are you a dependent spouse or child of an individual currently on active duty in California?  Yes  No  
If yes, what date was the military personnel assigned to active duty in California? \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

**Part C - Physical Presence and intent: (2 proofs from the list on page one must be attached)**

- Date California became your permanent home: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_
- Will you be 19 or older at the start of the semester?  Yes  No **If no, skip to Part D on Page 4**

**Driver's License/ID or Car registration:**

- Do you have a valid driver's license or ID?  Yes  No  
If yes, by which state was it issued? \_\_\_\_\_ Issue Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_  
Expiration Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_
- Do you own a registered motor vehicle?  Yes  No  
If yes, in which state is the vehicle registered? \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_  
Expiration Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

**Voter Registration:**

- Are you registered to vote?  Yes  No  
If yes, in which state are you registered to vote? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Registration: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

**Employment/Tax Return:**

- Did you work in the last two years?  Yes  No  
If yes, in what state did you work? \_\_\_\_\_
- Did you file a state tax return in the last two years?  Yes  No  
If yes, in which state did you file your tax return? \_\_\_\_\_

**Part D - Students under 19 years of age complete sections D, E and F. All others skip to Part G.**

- Are you a ward of the court or emancipated minor?  Yes  No

**If yes, attach supporting court documents and skip to Part E .**

- The person most recently responsible for your support is your:

Birth Parent  Adopted Parent  Guardian  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**If answer is other than "Birth Parent" you must provide supporting court documents.**

- Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

- Parent/Guardian Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ City State Zip

**Part E - Parent/Guardian Legal Status:**

- Is your parent/guardian a citizen of the United States?  Yes  No **If yes, skip to Part F.**

**If your parent/guardian is not a citizen, does your parent/guardian have any of the following documents:**

- A permanent resident card?  Yes  No Issue Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
Expiration Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_
- An employment authorization card?  Yes  No Issue Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
Expiration Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_
- A valid nonimmigrant visa?  Yes  No Visa Type \_\_\_\_\_  
Issue Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
Expiration Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of proof of your parent/guardian's legal status.**

**Part F - Parent/Guardian Physical Presence: (2 proofs from the list on page one must be attached)**

**Parent/Guardian Driver's License/ID or Car registration:**

- Does your parent/guardian have a driver's license or ID?  Yes  No  
If yes, by which state was it issued? \_\_\_\_\_ Issue Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
Expiration Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_
- Does your parent/guardian own a motor vehicle?  Yes  No  
If yes, in which state is the vehicle registered \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
Expiration Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Tax Return:**

- Did your parent file a state tax return in the last 2 years?  Yes  No  
If yes, in which state was the tax return filed? \_\_\_\_\_

**Part G—Signature**

**I have completely read and understood the directions accompanying this petition** and declare under penalty of perjury that all the statements and information in the petition are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I am not withholding any pertinent information.

**WARNING: Falsifying information about citizenship, California residency, financial aid, and/or military status could result in: criminal charges for perjury and/or fraud and, if convicted, imprisonment; student disciplinary action; and/or accumulated monetary charges such as for restitution or nonpayment of nonresident tuition fees.**

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE**

**COMMENTS:**