## **Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Checklist (7/6/2020)**

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIAL DACA APPLICATIONS

☐ Born on or after June 16, 1981
☐ Came to the United States before reaching your 16th birthday
$\square$ Have continuously resided in the U.S. since June 15, 2007 up to the present time
☐ If previously deported, ordered removed, or left the US during this period, DISCUSS WITH AN
IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY
$\square$ Were physically present in the United States on June 15, 2012, and at the time of making DACA application
$\square$ Entered without inspection, or lawful immigration status expired as of June 15, 2012
$\square$ Are currently in school, have graduated from high school, or obtained a general education certificate (GED)
$\square$ Have NOT been convicted of a felony, significant misdemeanor, three or more other misdemeanors, and do no
otherwise pose a threat to national security or public safety
$\square$ If you have any arrests or criminal convictions, DISCUSS WITH AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY
☐ Be at least 15 years old to file an application (unless you are or have been in deportation proceedings)

## **EXAMPLES OF DOCUMENTS TO PROVE ELIGIBILITY**

(We strongly recommend that you discuss your case with an immigration attorney or accredited representative before submitting any documentation to the government)

Requirement	You may need one or more of the following document types to prove eligibility for each category (you do not need all of the documents below).
☐ Proof of identity	<ul> <li>Passport</li> <li>Birth certificate (with translation plus photo identification)</li> <li>School or military ID with photo</li> <li>Any U.S. government immigration or other document bearing your name and photo.</li> </ul>
☐ Proof you came to U.S. before your 16 <sup>th</sup> birthday	<ul> <li>Passport with admission stamp</li> <li>Form I-94/I-95/I-94W</li> <li>School records from the U.S. schools you have attended</li> <li>Any Immigration and Naturalization Service or DHS document stating your date of entry (Form I-862, Notice to Appear)</li> <li>Travel records</li> <li>Hospital or medical records</li> </ul>
☐ If you have been in deportation proceedings or entered with a visa, proof of expired immigration status	<ul> <li>Form I-94/I-95/I-94W with authorized stay expiration date</li> <li>Final order of exclusion, deportation, or removal issued as of 6/15/2012</li> <li>A charging document placing you into removal proceedings</li> <li>DISCUSS THESE ISSUES WITH AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY</li> </ul>

☐ Proof you continuously resided in U.S. since June 15, 2007 and that you were present in the U.S. on June 15, 2012	<ul> <li>Rent receipts, utility, cell phone bills</li> <li>Employment records (pay stubs, W-2 Forms, etc)</li> <li>School records (transcripts, letters, report cards, etc)</li> <li>Military records (Form DD-214 or NGB Form 22)</li> <li>Official records from a religious entity confirming participation in a</li> <li>religious ceremony</li> <li>Copies of money order receipts for money sent in or out of the country</li> <li>Passport entries</li> <li>Birth certificates of children born in the U.S.</li> <li>Dated bank transactions</li> <li>Social Security card</li> <li>Automobile license receipts or registration</li> <li>Deeds, mortgages, rental agreement contracts</li> <li>Tax receipts, insurance policies</li> <li>Medical, vaccination and dental records</li> </ul>
☐ Proof of your student status at the time of requesting consideration of deferred action for childhood arrivals	<ul> <li>School records (transcripts, report cards, etc.) from the school that you are currently attending in the United States showing the name(s) of the school(s) and periods of school attendance and the current educational or grade level</li> <li>U.S. high school diploma or certificate of completion</li> <li>U.S. GED certificate</li> <li>If you have served in the U.S. military, copies of military records</li> </ul>
☐ If you have ever been arrested by the police or any government agency	<ul> <li>Obtain copies of police reports and court records for any arrests, criminal convictions or juvenile cases.</li> <li>MAKE SURE TO DISCUSS THESE ISSUES WITH AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY BEFORE SUBMITTING ANY OF THIS DOCUMENTATION</li> </ul>
☐ To Complete Form I-821D	Make a list of the addresses of all of the places you have lived since you entered the U.S. and the dates you lived there



This list was adapted from the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project list on 7/6/2020. Please see <a href="https://www.ilcm.org">www.ilcm.org</a> for more information or contact our office at 651-641-1011.