

## 2020-21 Custom Verification Document

Your 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called verification. The law says that before awarding Federal Student Aid, we may ask you to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, we will compare your FAFSA with the information on this institutional verification document and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. You and a parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must complete and sign this institutional verification information. If you have questions about verification, contact us as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

### A. Student's Information

Student Last Name	First Name	MI	Students Social Security Number
Student Street Address (include Apt. Number)			Student Date of Birth
City	State	Zip Code	Student email
Student Home Phone Number (include area code)			Student Alternate/Cell #

### B. High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents to indicate the student's high school completion status when the student begins college in 2020–2021:

- A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of the "secondary school leaving certificate" or other similar document.
- A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- A State certificate or transcript received by a student after the student passed a State-authorized examination that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examination).
- An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a State where State law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a State where State law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a transcript, or the equivalent, signed by the student's parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

A student who is unable to obtain the documentation listed above must contact the financial aid office.

### C. Identity and Statement of Education Purpose ( To be Signed at the Institution.)

The student must appear in person at \_\_\_\_\_ to  
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

verify his or her identity by presenting an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

### D. If the student is unable to appear in person at Southern Arkansas University Tech to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:

- (a) A copy of the unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, or that is presented to a notary, such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport; and

- (b) The original Statement of Educational Purpose provided below, which must be notarized. If the notary statement appears on a separate page than the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be a clear indication that the Statement of Educational Purpose was the document notarized.

### Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I \_\_\_\_\_ am the individual signing  
(Print Student's Name)

this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the Federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending \_\_\_\_\_ for 2020–2021.

(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's Signature) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's ID Number)

### Sample of a Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

*Notary's certification may vary by State*

State of \_\_\_\_\_

City/County of \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_,

(Date) (Notary's name)

personally appeared, \_\_\_\_\_, and proved to me

(Printed name of signer)

on the basis of satisfactory evidence of identification \_\_\_\_\_

(Type of unexpired government-issued photo

ID provided)

to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

### WITNESS my hand and official seal

(seal)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary signature)

My commission expires on \_\_\_\_\_

(Date)

### Certification and Signature (Independent Student)

#### E. Certification and Signature

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct.

**WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Student's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's ID Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature (Required)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse's Signature (Optional)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date