



2025-2026 Verification Worksheet – V4 Dependent/ Independent Student

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Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Student ID #: _____

Your 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called verification. The law states that before awarding Federal Student Aid, we are required to verify your identity and collect a signed Statement of Educational Purpose.

Instructions: You must complete the Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose. You can either complete the sections in front of a member of the Elizabethtown College Office of Financial Aid (page 1) or in front of a Notary (page 2). If you choose to complete these sections in front of a Notary, the Notary must complete the Certificate of Acknowledgement. **DO NOT complete these sections without a member of the Financial Aid Staff or a Notary being present.**

1. Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To be Signed at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at Elizabethtown College to verify his/her identity by presenting an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issues 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.

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational
(Print Student Name)
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 Elizabethtown College for the 2025-2026 year.

(Student’s Signature) (Date)

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(Staff Signature) (Date)

Viewed Original Document _____
(Staff Initials)

2. Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To be Signed in the Presence of a Notary)

If the student is unable to appear in person at Elizabethtown College to verify his or her identity, the student must provide the following 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 Education 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

State of _____,
City/County of _____.
On _____, before me, _____,
(Date) (Notary's Name)
personally appeared _____, and proved to me
(Printed Name of Signer/Student)
Because 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)

Please return completed forms to:

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