



Financial Aid and  
Military Education Benefits

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## 2025-2026 Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose

**DO NOT complete this form in advance.** Your application has been selected for verification and confirmation of your identity is required prior to receiving financial aid. Verification is a process in which the Department of Education or the Institution you're attending may select your FAFSA information to be confirmed by requesting documentation from the student, student's spouse, and/or student's parent(s), if applicable.

This form must be completed on-campus in the presence of an approved representative of McHenry County College, or in the presence of a notary public.

To complete this form, first fill-out your personal information below in "Step A. Student Information", then chose to complete either:

Option 1: Appear in person at McHenry County College

or

Option 2: Appear in person at notary public

### **A. STUDENT INFORMATION**

**\*Do not leave any blank spaces in the section. Input "N/A" if the item does not apply to you.**

Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Academic Program \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Street Address (include apt.no.) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

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

Student's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Home Phone Number (include area code) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Alternate/Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTION 1: APPEAR IN PERSON AT MCHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE**

**The student must sign this form in the presence of the institutional official.** The student must appear, in person, at MCHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE to verify his or her identity by presenting a valid government-issued photo identification (ID) such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport.

**- Statement of Educational Purpose -**  
**for students appearing in person at McHenry County College**

I certify that I, \_\_\_\_\_, am the individual  
 (Print Student Name)  
 signing 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 MCHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE for 2025-2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date



*For Office Use Only*

Date received \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of photo ID received

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of authorized official \_\_\_\_\_  
 Print name of authorized official

**OPTION 2: APPEAR IN PERSON AT A NOTARY PUBLIC**

If the student chooses to appear in person at a notary public rather than to appear in person at McHenry County College, the student must provide to McHenry County College the following items:

1. A copy of the government ID that is used for the purpose of this verification and acknowledged below by the notary. The Government ID must be a valid, government-issued photo ID that is unexpired. Identification allowed includes, but is not limited to, a state-issued driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport.
2. The original signed and notarized Statement of Educational Purpose provided below. If, for any reason, the notary statement does not appear on the same page as the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be a clear and inarguable statement indicating that the Statement of Educational Purpose was the document notarized.

**The student must sign this form in the presence of the notary public.** The student must appear, in person, at a notary public to verify his or her identity by presenting a valid government-issued photo identification (ID) such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport.

**- Statement of Educational Purpose -  
for students appearing in person at a notary public**

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(Print Student Name)  
signing 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 MCHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE for 2025-2026.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**NOTARY'S CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Notary's certification may vary by State

State of \_\_\_\_\_ City/County of \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_,  
(date)

Before me, \_\_\_\_\_, personally appeared, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Notary's name) (Printed name of signer)

and provided to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence of identification

\_\_\_\_\_ to be the above-named person who signed  
(Type of unexpired government-issued photo ID provided)

the foregoing instrument.

**WITNESS my hand and official seal**  
(seal)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary signature

My commission expires on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

For forms completed in the presence of a Notary Public, mail the original completed form to:  
8900 US Highway 14, Crystal Lake, IL, 60012