

2015–2016 ID Statement

Your 2015–2016 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, Technical College of the Lowcountry Financial Aid Staff 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, in some instances if applicable, a parent or spouse whose information was reported on the FAFSA must also complete and sign this institutional verification document, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to our office. We may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact us as soon as possible to avoid delays. **This form may only be submitted in person, unless signed in the presence of a notary and has been notarized as such. In this case, the document may only be submitted via mail. This may not be emailed, scanned, or accepted in any other electronic format.**

A. Student's Information

Student's Last Name First Name M.I. Student's Identification (ID) Number

B. High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents that will indicate your high school completion status when you begin college in 2015–2016: (NOTE: Please inform the FA office at the time of returning this document if you have already provided this information to TCL's Enrollment Services or Student Records Offices.)

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

C. Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed In the Presence of a TCL Financial Aid Officer Only, or in the presence of a Notary.)

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose
(Print Student's Name)

and that the Federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Technical College of the Lowcountry for the 2015–2016 academic year.

(Student's Signature) (Date) (Student's ID Number)

Financial Aid Officer Signature _____ Date: _____

Print Name and Title: _____

Student's Name _____ Student's ID Number _____

If you are unable to appear in person at the Technical College of the Lowcountry Financial Aid Office to verify your identity, you must provide:

- (a) A copy of the 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, which is provided below, **must be notarized.**

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____

City/County of _____

On _____, before me, _____,
(Date) (Notary's name)

personally appeared _____ and proved to me
(Printed name of signer)

on basis of satisfactory evidence of identification _____
(Type of 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)

Notary Seal:

Student's Name _____ Student's ID Number _____

D. Certifications and Signatures:

Each person signing below certifies that all of the information reported is complete and correct. The student and one parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must sign and date.

Print Student's Name Student's ID Number

Student's Signature Date

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

This form may only be returned in person, or if completed in the presence of a notary you may return document via postal mail.

Return in person to:

TCL Financial Aid Office located in Building 2, Coleman Hall on the First Floor.

Return Via Postal Mail to:

TCL Financial Aid Office, 921 Ribaut Road-PO BOX 1288, Beaufort, SC 29901-1288