



# Confirmation of High School Completion

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## Overview

Your 2020 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review through a process called verification. **Verification** is the U.S. Department of Education's method of confirming data on your FAFSA and requires the Office of Financial Aid to collect various forms of documentation.

The Department of Education requires students to finish their secondary education prior to enrolling in a degree-seeking program at a college or university. Please submit one of the documents below to confirm you meet this requirement. After all documentation has been submitted, check your Illinois Tech hawk email as our office may have follow-up questions about the information submitted.

## Acceptable Documentation

Please provide **one** of the following documents listed below. Be certain to include your student name and campus-wide ID when submitting your documentation.

- A copy of your high school diploma.
- A copy of your *final* official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded and all of the courses in which you were enrolled.
  - If you attended multiple high schools provide the transcript from each school.
- A state certification 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.
  - Examples include a GED, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examinations.
- If you completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of your "secondary school leaving certificate" or 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 (e.g., an associate's degree).
- A copy of your secondary school completion credential if you were homeschooled and your home state law requires this documentation.
  - If state law does not require homeschooled students to obtain a secondary school completion credential for home schooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent) a transcript or the equivalent signed by your parent/guardian is acceptable. This document must list the secondary school courses you completed. Additionally, it must document successful completion of a secondary school education in a home school setting.

***If you are unable to obtain the documentation listed above, please contact the Office of Financial Aid.***