

2025-2026 Verification Worksheet

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 may ask you to confirm the information you reported on your FAFSA. To verify that you provided correct information, Sauk Valley Community College will compare your FAFSA with the information on this worksheet and with any other required documents. If there are differences, your FAFSA information may need to be corrected. You must sign this worksheet, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to the Financial Assistance Office. We may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact our office as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed. Your financial aid will not be processed if you fail to turn in all required documentation.

A. Independent Student's Information

Student's Name: _____ ID Number: _____

Social Security Number: _____

B. High School Completion Status

To verify the student's high school completion status, you must provide the Admissions and Records Office one of the following documents:

- ☐ A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- ☐ 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 (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examination) that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a 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.
- ☐ 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.
- ☐ If state law requires a homeschool student to obtain a secondary school completion credential (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential has been provided.
- ☐ If state law does not require the student 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 the student's parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and documents the successful completion of a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

If the student is unable to obtain the documentation listed above, the student should contact the Financial Assistance Office. The Financial Assistance Office will not apply aid to a student account until the student has met at least one of the above high school completion requirements. Sauk Valley Community College cannot complete the verification process until the provided documentation has been evaluated by the Admissions and Records Office.

C. Certification and Signatures

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, be sentenced to jail, or both.

Each person signing this worksheet certifies that all of the information reported on it is complete and correct.

Print Student's Name

Student's ID Number

Student's Signature (Required)

Date

Spouse's Signature (Optional)

Date

D. Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose

**Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed at the Institution)**

The student must appear in person at Sauk Valley Community College to
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

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. The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student's ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the following:

Statement of Educational Purpose

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

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 Sauk Valley Community College for 2025-2026.
(Name of Postsecondary Educational Institution)

(Student's Signature) (Date)

(Student's ID Number)

(Financial Assistance Office Staff Signature) (Date)

Financial Assistance Office staff must copy a valid government-issued photo identification, such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport here.