

**SOWELA TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
2016–2017
INSTITUTIONAL VERIFICATION DOCUMENT**

Your 2016–2017 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, we 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 a parent whose information was reported on the FAFSA must complete and sign this institutional verification document, attach any required documents, and submit the form and other required documents to us. We may ask for additional information. If you have questions about verification, contact us as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

A. Student’s Information

Student’s Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Student’s Identification (ID) 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 or Cell Phone Number

B. High School Completion Status

Provide one of the following documents that indicate the student’s high school completion status when the student will begin college in 2016–2017:

- 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 copy of the student’s General Educational Development (GED) certificate or GED transcript.
- 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 homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for home-school (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- If State law does not require a homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for home-school (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 home school setting.

If the student is unable to obtain the documentation listed above, he or she must contact the Enrollment Services One Stop Center.

Student's Name _____ Student's ID Number _____

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

The student must appear in person at SOWELA Technical Community College to verify his or her identity by presenting an unexpired 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 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
(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 SOWELA Technical Community College for 2016–2017.

(Student's Signature)

(Date)

(Student's ID Number)

FAO Signature

DATE

Student's Name _____ Student's ID Number _____

D. Child Support Paid

One of the parents included in the household or the student paid child support in 2015. List below the names of the persons who paid the child support, the names of the persons to whom the child support was paid, the names of the children for whom the child support was paid, and the total annual amount of child support that was paid in 2015 for each child. I also attest that I have not included these children as members of my household size. You can't include these children as members of the household and also list child support paid.

If more space is needed, provide a separate page that includes the student's name and ID number at the top.

Name of Person Who Paid Child Support	Name of Person to Whom Child Support was Paid	Name of Child for Whom Support Was Paid	Amount of Child Support Paid in 2015

Note: If we have reason to believe that the information regarding child support paid is not accurate, we may require additional documentation, such as:

- A statement from the individual receiving the child support certifying the amount of child support received; or
- Copies of the child support payment checks or money order receipts.

E. SNAP(Food Stamps Benefit)

Please check yes or no if you or one of your parents if a dependent student received SNAP(Food Stamps Benefit) in 2014 or 2015.

YES NO

Note: If there is reason to believe that the information regarding the receipt of SNAP benefits is inaccurate, the financial aid office may require documentation from the agency that issued the SNAP benefits in 2014 or 2015.

F. Certifications and Signatures

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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.

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

Print Student's Name

Student's ID Number

Student's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date

One Stop Enrollment Center
3820 Sen. J. Bennett Johnston Ave.
Lake Charles, LA 70615
Phone: 337-421-6545 Email: onestop@sowela.edu
www.sowela.edu/financialaid.asp

SOWELA Technical Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, disability or age in its programs or activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

Title: Compliance Officer
Address: 3820 Senator J. Bennett Johnston Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70616
Telephone: 337-421-6565 or 800-256-0483
Email: complianceofficer@sowela.edu

