

For your security, we request that you do not send any Personally Identifiable Information (PII) via email or attachments. This may include social security numbers, dates of birth, and other information.



Priority Dates  
 Returning Students  
 February 28, 2020  
 New Student  
 April 20, 2020

**2020-2021 V4 Custom Verification Packet  
 Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose**

Your 2020-2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has been received and was selected for review in a process called custom verification. If you have questions about custom verification, contact us as soon as possible so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

**A. STUDENT'S INFORMATION**

Name:	SSN: XXX-XX-_____
Date of Birth:	Phone #:

**B. High School Completion Status**

Provide one of the following documents to indicate the student's high school completion status when the student begins college in 2020–2021:

- A copy of the student's 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.
- 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 that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examination).
- 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.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a State where State law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- For a student who was homeschooled in a State where State law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschooling (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 includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

**A student who is unable to obtain the documentation listed above must contact the financial aid office.**

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

**B. Certification** *Please return this information within the next 14 days.*

By signing this worksheet, I (we) certify that all information reported is complete and correct. Failure to complete verification will render the student ineligible for need-based aid, including loans, for that academic year.

_____	_____
(Student's Signature)	(Date)
_____	_____
(Parent's/ Spouse's Signature)	(Date)

*Choose Affordability. Choose Faith in Your Future.*

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CHOWAN ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS ORIGINAL FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE.  
COPIES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.**

**Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose**

The student must appear in person at Chowan University 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.

**Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose  
(To Be Signed in the Presence of a Notary)**

If the student is unable to appear in person at Chowan University to verify his or her identity, the student must provide to the institution:

- (a) A copy of the unexpired 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 provided below, which must be notarized. If the notary statement appears on a separate page than the Statement of Educational Purpose, there must be a clear indication that the Statement of Educational Purpose was the document notarized.

**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 Chowan University for 2020–2021.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student’s Signature) (Date) (Student’s ID Number)

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**Sample of a Notary’s Certificate of Acknowledgement**  
*Notary’s certification may vary by State*

State of \_\_\_\_\_  
City/County of \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Date) (Notary’s name)

personally appeared, \_\_\_\_\_, and proved to me  
(Printed name of signer)

on the basis of satisfactory evidence of identification \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type of unexpired 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)

**Spanish form available upon request.**