

Financial Aid Services

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UNIVERSITY OF ST. FRANCIS

Independent Student

Date _____

Dear _____:

We anticipate that you will be eligible to receive a Monetary Award from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) for the 2007-2008 academic year. Before the funds can be disbursed, Financial Aid Services must verify your Illinois residency. ISAC rules state that a self supporting student is considered a resident of Illinois if he/she meets the following criteria:

"An independent student is a resident of Illinois if the applicant has a true, fixed and permanent home within the State of Illinois (at the time of application) and has so resided for a period of 12 continuous, full months immediately prior to the start of the academic year for which assistance is requested."

This means that you must have resided in Illinois prior to August 20, 2006. Please complete the attached form and return it to our office with one of the documents listed. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call our office.

Sincerely,

Financial Aid Services

2007-2008 Illinois Residency Verification

I understand that I must be a resident of Illinois to receive financial assistance under the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) Monetary Award Program. Further, I understand that Illinois residency is defined by the ISAC to be the following:

"An Independent Student is a Resident of Illinois if the applicant has a true, fixed and permanent home within the State of Illinois (at the time of application) and has so resided for a period of 12 continuous, full months immediately prior to the start of the academic year for which assistance is requested."

I certify that I was living in the State of Illinois at the time I filed the 2007-2008 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and that I have physically resided in the State of Illinois 12 continuous full months since August 20, 2006. I have attached the following document(s) with an issue date prior to August 20, 2006 to verify my Illinois residency in accordance with the above definition:

- Illinois Driver's License
- Utility or rent bills in my name
- Illinois High School or College transcript
- Illinois Auto Registration Card
- Residential lease with my name appearing on the lease
- Wage and tax statements (IRS W2 Form)
- State of Illinois Identification Card issued by the Secretary of State
- Statement of benefits history from the Illinois Department of Public Aid
- Statement of benefits history from the Illinois Department of Employment Security

Student Name *(please print)*

SSN or USF ID#

Student Signature

Date

Please return this signed statement and documents to:

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