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## ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF DOCUMENTATION

– Only **one** form is required –

- A. A copy of the student's high school diploma.
- B. A copy of the student's final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- C. A copy of the student's General Educational Development (GED) or High School Equivalency (HSE) certificate or GED or HSE transcript.
- D. 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.
- E. If state law requires a homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), then the student needs to provide a copy of the secondary school completion credential.

OR

If state law (IL) does not require a homeschooled student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool, then a transcript needs to be provided that is signed by the student's parent or guardian. The transcript must list the secondary school courses the student completed, as well as document the successful completion of a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

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

If you have received Federal Financial Aid in the past and have none of the items listed above, please contact the Financial Aid Office at 815-224-0438. Otherwise, you are not eligible to receive Federal Financial Aid until you have one of the above.