

DEPENDENT

Student Name _____

Student ID Number/Dawg Tag _____

Date _____

Dear Financial Aid Applicant:

Information from your 2025-2026 financial aid application indicates you may be eligible for an offer from the State of Illinois (IL) Monetary Award Program (MAP) Grant.

Illinois residency requirements for the State of IL MAP Grant are summarized as follows:

"Resident of Illinois" - A dependent student is a resident of Illinois if the parent of the dependent-applicant, who is required by the instructions to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) **physically resides within the state of Illinois and Illinois is his or her true, fixed and permanent home.** When the parent of the applicant does not qualify as a resident of Illinois and the parent is a member of the U.S. Armed Forces or a foreign missionary, then residency shall be determined in accordance with the current rules of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (contact the SIU Financial Aid Office for specific details.)

The following documentation must be provided to this office to verify Illinois residency for the applicable time period. One or more of the documents listed below may be used to provide proof that the parent is an Illinois resident.

THE DATES RECORDED ON THE DOCUMENTS MUST INDICATE THE PARENT HAS RESIDED IN ILLINOIS AT AND SINCE THE TIME OF FILING THE FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION.

- A) A valid signed 2024 State of Illinois tax return
- B) Illinois high school or college transcript
- C) Illinois Driver's License
- D) Utility or rent bills in the parent's name
- E) Illinois Auto Registration Card
- F) Residential lease in the parent's name
- G) 2024 Wage and Tax Statements (IRS Form W-2)
- H) Statement of benefits history from the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services
- I) State of Illinois Identification Card issued by the Illinois Secretary of State
- J) Statement of benefits from the Illinois Department of Employment Security
- K) Statement of benefits from the Social Security Administration
- L) Illinois voter's registration card
- M) Property tax bill
- N) 2024 IRS Form 1099 Miscellaneous Income Statement

Eligibility for state offers from the State of IL MAP Grant cannot be processed until Illinois residency has been verified. If none of this acceptable documentation is available, students may appeal to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

_____ We do not meet the requirements for Illinois residency to receive a State of IL MAP Grant.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

NOTE: Signatures must be handwritten. Computer fonts are not acceptable.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

If you have questions, feel free to contact the Financial Aid Office. Mail documentation or submit using our secure document upload on www.fao.siu.edu