

VERIFICATION OF ILLINOIS RESIDENCY

Illinois Student Assistance Commission requires that Monetary Award Program (MAP) recipients be verified for Illinois residency.

- ◆ For a **DEPENDENT** student, the document must indicate Illinois residency (**as of the date of application**) for the parent responsible for completing the FAFSA.

- ◆ For an **INDEPENDENT** student, the dates recorded on the documents must indicate the applicant has resided in Illinois for the relevant 12 continuous months prior to the start of the school's academic year for which the student is applying and Illinois must be his/her true, fixed and permanent home. (For the 2010-2011 academic years, the student must have been an Illinois resident from **August 18, 2009 to August 22, 2010**.)

Acceptable Documents:

- Parent's (or student's, if independent) valid and SIGNED federal or Illinois income tax return;
- Illinois high school (current year graduate) or Illinois college transcript;
- Utility or rent bills in the applicant's (or parent's) name;
- Illinois auto registration card for 2009 and 2010;
- Wage and tax statements (IRS Form W-2);
- Statement of benefits history from the Illinois Department of Public Aid;
- Residential lease in the applicant's (or parent's) name;
- Statement of benefits from the Illinois Department of Employment Security;
- Statement of benefits from the Social Security Administration;