

Instruction

Exhibit – Form for Exemption from Financial Aid Application Completion

This form is to be used to document a parent/guardian or student’s exemption from the State law requirement to file, as a prerequisite to receiving a high school diploma:

1. *A Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <https://studentaid.gov/>;*
2. *An application for State financial aid at www.isac.org/students/before-college/financial-aid-planning/retention-of-illinois-rise-act/; or*
3. *An Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE) FAFSA Nonparticipation Form and instructions on accessing and completing the Form are at: www.isbe.net/Pages/FAFSA.aspx. 105 ILCS 5/22-87(b), amended by P.A. 104-13 and 104-14; 23 Ill.Admin Code §1.440(c)(4).*

Return a copy of this completed form to the parent/guardian or student and keep a copy in the student’s file.

Completed by student’s parent/guardian or student, if 18 years or older or legally emancipated.

Student’s Name: _____
 Address: _____
 School: _____
 Grade: _____

I am unable to file a FAFSA, an application for State financial aid, or an ISBE FAFSA Nonparticipation Form because of the following:

Completed by the High School Principal.

Due to extenuating circumstances, the Student is unable to file a FAFSA, an application for State financial aid, or an ISBE FAFSA Nonparticipation Form:

Yes No, exemption denied

(Complete next portion only if the answer is Yes above)

I attest that the District has made the following good faith efforts to assist the Student’s parent/guardian or Student, if applicable, in filing an application or a waiver from this requirement:

The student has met all other graduation requirements and receive a diploma.

Yes, exemption approved No, exemption denied

High School Principal Signature

Date

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