

THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

2025 - 2026 Identity Confirmation - Statement of Educational Purpose

To Be Signed with a Notary

Your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was selected for review in a process called Verification. The law states that before awarding any federal student aid, we must ask you to submit documentation and validate the information chosen for verification. The Federal processor has determined that The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) must validate your identity and have you complete a Statement of Educational Purpose. Therefore, we are required to confirm that the information listed below has been completed and submitted to the OSFA before we can award you aid. If you have questions about this form, contact OSFA as soon as possible at (609) 771-2211 so that your financial aid will not be delayed.

Identity Confirmation and Statement of Educational Purpose - To be signed with a Notary

If the student is unable to appear in person at The College of New Jersey to verify his or her identity, the student must provide:

- (a) A copy of the valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, such as but not limited to a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport; and
- (b) The original notarized Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.

Statement of Educational Purpose:

I certify that I _____ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and that
(Print name of student)

the federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending The College of New Jersey for 2025-2026.

(Student's Signature)

(PAWS ID Number)

(Date)

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____ City/County of _____

On _____, before me, _____, personally appeared, _____
(Date) (Notary's name) (Printed name of signer)

and provided to me on basis of satisfactory evidence of identification _____
(Type of government-issued photo ID provided)

to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal:

Notary Signature: _____ My commission expires on (date): _____

