



## 2025-2026 IDENTITY AND STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**(TO BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF AN AUTHORIZED CCRI OFFICIAL)**

Your FAFSA application indicates that you must provide an Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose documentation. In order to process your 2025-2026 financial aid application, our office needs this document before we can determine your eligibility for financial assistance.

The student must appear in person at one of the Community College of Rhode Island campuses to verify their identity by:

- Presenting an unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport. CCRI will maintain a copy of the student’s photo ID that is annotated by CCRI with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the CCRI official authorized to receive and review the student’s ID.
- In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the Statement of Educational Purpose provided below.
- *Please note* that presenting an ID with an address that does not match what CCRI has on file may result in a verification of address. *Please see the backside of this form for examples of acceptable documents.*

**THE STUDENT MUST SIGN IN THE PRESENCE OF AN AUTHORIZED CCRI OFFICIAL**

**STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE**

I \_\_\_\_\_ certify that I am the individual signing this Statement of

*Print student’s Name*

Educational Purpose and that the Federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay for the cost of attending           **The Community College of Rhode Island**           for 2025-2026.

**Student’s Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Office Use Only**

Authorized Official’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of ID collected (check one):

License

State ID

Passport

Other

*Please make sure to scan a color copy of both sides of the ID.*

Date stamp:

## Verification of Address

If the address on your ID does not match what CCRI has on file, you must present two of the following documents to an authorized individual from the Financial Aid Office:

- **A utility bill** - gas, electric, telephone, cable, oil, water, sewer, satellite, or heat with the address of residence clearly stated with your name within the past sixty (60) days.
- **A personal check or bank statement** with name and address listed from within the past sixty (60) days.
- **A payroll check** with name and address listed from within the past sixty (60) days.
- **A lease agreement** currently in effect. The lease agreement must contain the applicant's name and address of residence and the landlord's name, address, and telephone number. Handwritten lease agreements will not be accepted.
- **A letter issued by a Rhode Island state agency or a federal agency** with the applicant's name and address of residence approving name and address of residence approving the applicant's receipt of benefits from an entitlement program dated within the past sixty (60) days.
- **A homeowner's or renter's insurance policy** for the applicant's home or apartment with the applicant's name and address of residence that is currently in effect.
- **A property tax bill** for the applicant's residence from the immediately preceding year.
- **A letter from a Rhode Island shelter or halfway house** indicating that the applicant resides at the facility. Such a letter must be on letterhead, must be dated within the past thirty (30) days and must include the name and contact information of an administrator of the shelter or halfway house; or
- **A W-2 form** with the applicant's name and address of residence from the immediately preceding year.
- **An installment loan contract** (automobile, student loan) with the applicant's name and address of residence that is currently in effect.
- **A current Social Security Administration statement** with the applicant's name and address of residence.
- **A valid Rhode Island driver's license or identification card** with correct address listed.

If the applicant is claimed as a dependent (24 years or younger), or if none of the above documents can be provided then applicant may submit one of the following:

- **Demonstrate Address Change on DMV website** in the presence of an authorized CCRI official.
- **Parent 2023/2024 Federal 1040 Tax Return** that shows the applicant as a claimed dependent and shows current address.
- **Parent 2023/2024 State 1040 Tax Return** that shows the applicant as a claimed dependent and shows current address.

If the applicant is a current or former student at another educational institution, other than the documents listed above, the following is accepted:

- **A school record from the current school year from a high school or higher education institution other than CCRI** - (report card, diploma, transcript, or ID card) stating the student's address of residence (past year if during summer vacation).

In cases of extenuating circumstances of which a student can not present two forms of documentation, a notarized statement from a roommate, landlord, parent or legal guardian, employer, or other individuals attesting for proof of residency can be accepted at the discretion of an authorized CCRI official (**please speak with an authorized official before attempting to get a notarized statement**).