Provide one of the following documents that indicate the student’s high school completion status when the student will begin college in 2015–2016:

- A copy of the student’s high school diploma.
- A copy of the student’s final official high school transcript that shows the date when the diploma was awarded.
- A state certificate or transcript received by a student after the student passed a State-authorized examination (GED test, HiSET, TASC, or other State-authorized examination) that the State recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma.
- For students who completed secondary education in a foreign country, a copy of the “secondary school leaving certificate” or other similar document.
- An academic transcript that indicates the student successfully completed at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor’s degree.
- For a homeschooled student from a state where state law requires the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a copy of that credential.
- For a homeschooled student from a state where state law does not require the student to obtain a secondary school completion credential for homeschool (other than a high school diploma or its recognized equivalent), a transcript or the equivalent, signed by the student's parent or guardian, that lists the secondary school courses the student completed and includes a statement that the student successfully completed a secondary school education in a homeschool setting.

If the student is unable to obtain the documentation listed above, he or she must contact the financial aid office.

Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed at the Institution)

The student must appear in person at Western New Mexico University to verify his or her identity, by presenting a valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver’s license, other state-issued ID, or passport. The institution will maintain a copy of the student’s photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student’s ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of the institutional official, the following:

Statement of Educational Purpose

I certify that I _____________________________ am the individual signing this Statement of Educational Purpose and that the federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Western New Mexico University for 2015-2016.

_______________________________________    _______________     __________________
(Student’s Signature)                                      (Date)          (Student’s ID Number)
Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose (To Be Signed With Notary)

If the student is unable to appear in person at Western New Mexico University to verify his or her identity, the student must provide:

- 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.
- 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 the federal student financial assistance I may receive will only be used for educational purposes and to pay the cost of attending Western New Mexico University for 2015-2016.

_________________________    _______________   __________________
(Student’s Signature)                                  (Date)             (Student’s ID Number)

Notary’s Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _________________________________________________________________________
City/County of ___________________________________________________________________

On_____________________, before me, ______________________________________________,
(Date)                  (Notary’s name)
personally appeared, ____________________________________________, and proved to me on the basis of
(Printed name of signer)
satisfactory evidence of identification ______________________________________ to be the above-named person
(Type of government-issued photo ID provided)
who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal ________________________________________

(seal)

My commission expires on _________________________
(Date)