

Documentation of IL Residency (IL MAP Grant)

Because you are an independent student who appears to be eligible for the Illinois Monetary Assistance Program Grant (IL MAP Grant), Trinity is requesting documentation of your IL residency.

For an independent student to be considered a resident of Illinois for IL MAP Grant purposes, s/he must have physically resided in Illinois (at the time of filing the FAFSA), and has so resided for 12 continuous full months immediately prior to the start of the academic year for which assistance is requested and Illinois must be his/her true, fixed, and permanent home.

Example: An independent student attending an institution with an academic year starting on August 23, 2025, must have resided in Illinois from August 23, 2024 through August 22, 2025.

In order for you to receive the IL MAP Grant at Trinity, we must receive acceptable documentation (see below) that proves your IL residency as of 12 months before the start of the academic year.

Illinois Residency Documentation: The following are examples of documents that may be submitted for acceptable verification of Illinois residency. *The documentation must prove your IL residency as of 12 months prior to the start of the academic year.*

- Student's valid State of Illinois income tax return or federal tax transcript;
- Illinois high school or Illinois college transcript;
- Illinois driver's license;
- Utility or rent bills in the applicant's (or parent's) name;
- Illinois auto registration card;
- 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;
- State of Illinois Identification Card issued by the Secretary of State;
- Statement of benefits from the Social Security Administration;
- Illinois voter's registration card;
- Property tax bill; or
- IRS Form 1099-Miscellaneous Income Statements.

Please return acceptable documentation to the Financial aid Office as soon as possible to avoid delays in the processing of your financial aid.

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