

ILLINOIS RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR ISAC MAP GRANT 2017-2018

All recipients of the Illinois Student Assistance Monetary Award Program (ISAC MAP) must be able to provide verification of residency in the state of Illinois. The MAP application deadline for 2017-2018 is for students whose initial 2017-2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is received by the Central Processing Center **prior to or on January 15, 2017**. The above date is subject to change by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission due to state of Illinois funding. This year's initial suspense date is the earliest in the program's history, due in part to earlier FAFSA filing by prospective students, as well as a funding reserve set aside for a new program for dislocated workers* (see below).

- For MAP purposes the parent of the dependent student must physically reside in Illinois, and Illinois must be their permanent home.
- An independent student must have resided in Illinois for 12 continuous months prior to start of classes of the academic year the student is applying for the MAP grant to be considered an Illinois resident. ***For the 2017-2018 academic year the student must have been an Illinois resident continuously from August 21, 2016 to August 21, 2017.*** Illinois must be their permanent home.

The following are examples of documents that may be collected for verification of Illinois residency. For an independent student, the documentation must indicate that the student resided in Illinois for the previous 12 continuous months.

- Parent's (or students, if independent) valid State of Illinois income tax for the 2016 year
- Illinois Driver's License (Valid)
- Utility or rent bills in the parent's or independent student's name
- Illinois auto registration card
- Statement of benefits history from the Illinois Department of Public Aid
- Residential lease in the parent's (or independent student's) name
- Statement of benefits from the Illinois Department of Employment Security
- State of Illinois Identification card issued by the Secretary of State.
- Illinois Voter Registration Card

With the exception of the 2016 Illinois taxes, all documentation needs to be issued before August 21, 2016 to be used for the Illinois residency requirement.

*Dislocated Workers: **Independent** students who are dislocated workers are not impacted by this initial suspension of 2017-2018 MAP award announcements. Dislocated worker applicants will continue to have awards announced until such time that a dislocated worker suspense date is determined.

NOTE: Students should still complete the 2017-2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in order to be considered for the Federal Pell Grant and student loan eligibility.