In order to process any Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) Monetary Award Program (MAP) monies for which you may be eligible for during the 2016-2017 school year, you MUST provide the Rock Valley College Financial Aid Office with Illinois Residency Verification.

**ISAC definition of an Illinois Resident**

An **independent** student is a resident of Illinois if the applicant physically resides within the State of Illinois (at the time of application), and has so resided for a period of 12 continuous, full months immediately prior to the start of the academic year for which assistance is requested and Illinois is his or her true, fixed and permanent home.

A **dependent** student is a resident of Illinois if the parent of the dependent-applicant, who is required by the instructions to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), physically resides within the State of Illinois and Illinois is his or her true, fixed and permanent home.

*If you are or were recently a member of the armed forces or a foreign missionary some requirements may be waved. Please contact the financial aid office for additional information.*

**PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU ARE A DEPENDENT STUDENT THE DOCUMENTATION MUST BE FROM YOUR PARENT(S)**

The following is a preferred list of acceptable documentation that the State will accept. **You must submit one item:**

- Current Illinois State ID card. For Independent students an issue date before August 20, 2015 is required.
- Current Illinois Driver’s license. For Independent students an issue date before August 20, 2015 is required.
- Current Residential lease. Lease start date prior to August 20, 2015 for independent student.
- Utility or rent receipts. Dated from August 20, 2015 through August 20, 2016 for independent students.
- Illinois Auto Registration. An expiration date on or before August 20, 2015 And auto’s current Registration is required for independent students.
- Illinois High School or College Transcripts for school years 2015-2016 for independent students.
- Social Security Administration statement of benefits. For independent students statement must be dated from August 20, 2015 through August 20, 2016.
- Valid Voter’s Registration card. A date prior to August 20, 2015 for independent students.
- Property tax bill from 2015.

If you are unable to provide one of the above listed documents please contact the Financial Aid Office for additional options.

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