



Office of Financial Aid Services

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Student Name: _____ MSU ID: _____

2025-26 Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed at the Office of Financial Aid Services)

You, the student, must appear in person at Montana State University-Bozeman Office of Financial Aid Services (OFAS) to verify your 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. OFAS will maintain a copy of your photo ID that is annotated by OFAS with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official authorized to receive and review your ID.

In addition, the student must sign, in the presence of an OFAS staff, the Statement of Education 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 Montana State University – Bozeman for 2025-26.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Signed in front of: Copy of ID annotated and reviewed by:

Financial Aid Staff Printed Name: _____ Initials: _____ Date: _____

2025-26 Identity and Statement of Educational Purpose
(To Be Signed With Notary)

If you, the student, are unable to appear in person at Montana State University-Bozeman Office of Financial Aid Services (OFAS) to verify your identity, you must submit all of the following to the financial aid office my mail:

- 1. The original notary statement below, where your ID is presented to a notary, such as, but not limited to a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. And acknowledges that you signed the "Statement of Educational Purpose" above.
**This form and the copy of the ID must be mailed to our office address above. We cannot use electronic copies.
2. A copy of the unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID) that you showed to the notary. Mailed with this form.

Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of _____
City/County of _____

On _____, before me, _____

personally appeared, _____, and provided to me on basis of satisfactory evidence of Identification _____ to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

(Notary signature)
My commission expires on _____