



## **Instructions**

To receive federal financial aid, a student must verify their identity and sign the Statement of Educational Purpose. This can be done in person at WCJC or, if that is not possible, through a notarized form submission.

### **In-Person Verification**

A student must appear in person at Wharton County Junior College and present a valid, unexpired, government-issued photo identification (e.g., driver's license, state ID, or passport). WCJC will copy the ID, annotate it with the date received, and record the name of the official who collected it. The student must sign the Statement of Educational Purpose in the presence of the WCJC official.

### **If Unable to Appear in Person**

If you cannot appear in person, you must submit:

1. A copy of an unexpired valid government-issued photo ID acknowledged in a notary statement.
2. This original form with the Statement of Educational Purpose completed and notarized.
3. The notarized original form must be mailed or delivered to WCJC (scanned or copied forms are not accepted).

### **Statement of Educational Purpose**

I certify that I, \_\_\_\_\_ (student name), 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 Wharton County Junior College for 2026–2027.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgment**

State of \_\_\_\_\_, City/County of \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ , before me, \_\_\_\_\_ (notary's name), personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ (printed name of signer), and proved to me based on satisfactory evidence of identification \_\_\_\_\_ (type of government-issued photo ID provided) to be the above-named person who signed this form.

WITNESS my hand and official seal:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Signature)

My commission expires on: \_\_\_\_\_

### **WCJC Non-Discrimination Statement**

No person shall be excluded from participation, denied benefits, or be subjected to discrimination under any WCJC program or activity on any basis prohibited by law, including but not limited to race, color, national origin, gender, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, veteran status, or disability.