

## 2025-2026 STATEMENT OF IDENTITY AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

The student **must appear in person** at Westfield State University to verify his/her identity by presenting unexpired valid government-issued photo identification (ID), such as, but not limited to, a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport. **The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated with the date it was received and the name of the official at the institution authorized to collect the student's ID.**

In addition, the student must sign, ***in the presence of the institutional official***, the following:

### CAN YOU APPEAR IN PERSON? YES

#### Statement of Identity and Educational Purpose

I certify that I \_\_\_\_\_ am the individual signing this  
(Print Student's Name)

Statement of Identity and 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 Westfield State University for 2024-2025.

X

Student's Signature

Student's ID Number

Date

X

Financial Aid Official Signature

Date

### CAN YOU APPEAR IN PERSON? NO

If the student is **unable to appear in person** at Westfield State University to verify his or her identity the student must submit:

1. A copy of an unexpired valid government issued identification (ID) that is acknowledged in the notary statement below, such as but not limited to a driver's license, other state-issued ID, or passport; and
2. The original notarized Statement of Identity and Educational Purpose.

#### Notary's Certificate of Acknowledgement

State of \_\_\_\_\_

City/County of \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_, before me, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Notary's name)

(Date)

personally appeared, \_\_\_\_\_, and provided to me  
(Printed name of signer)

on basis of satisfactory evidence of identification \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type of government-issued photo ID provided)

to be the above-named person who signed the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal X

(seal)

(Notary signature)

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