

**Instruction**

**Exhibit – Form for Exemption from Financial Aid Application Completion**

*This form is to be used to document a parent/guardian or student’s exemption from the State law requirement to file, as a prerequisite to receiving a high school diploma:*

1. A Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <https://studentaid.gov/>;
2. An application for State financial aid at [www.isac.org/students/before-college/financial-aid-planning/retention-of-illinois-rise-act/](http://www.isac.org/students/before-college/financial-aid-planning/retention-of-illinois-rise-act/); or
3. An Ill. State Board of Education (ISBE) FAFSA Nonparticipation Form at [www.isbe.net/Documents/FAFSA-Non-Participation-Form.pdf](http://www.isbe.net/Documents/FAFSA-Non-Participation-Form.pdf). 105 ILCS 5/22-87(b), added by P.A. 101-180; 23 Ill.Admin Code §1.440(c)(4).

*Return a copy of the completed form to the parent/guardian or student and keep a copy in the student’s file. Completed by Student’s parent/guardian or Student, if 18 years or older or legally emancipated.*

Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

I am unable to file a FAFSA, an application for State financial aid, or an ISBE FAFSA Nonparticipation Form because of the following:

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\_\_\_\_\_

*Completed by the High School Principal.*

Due to extenuating circumstances, the Student is unable to file a FAFSA, an application for State financial aid, or an ISBE FAFSA Nonparticipation Form:

Yes     No, exemption denied

*(Complete next portion only if the answer is Yes above)*

I attest that the District has made the following good faith efforts to assist the Student’s parent/guardian or Student, if applicable, in filing an application or a waiver from this requirement:

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The student has met all other State law graduation requirements.

Yes, exemption approved     No, exemption denied

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High School Principal Signature

Date

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