Suggested documents that may help your petition. Please note, depending on your situation, other
documentation may be requested.

### Documentation for Independent Students

- copy of your Illinois driver’s license (if applicable)
- copy of your Illinois vehicle registration (if applicable)
- copy of a state i.d. (if applicable)
- your most recent state income tax return, including all forms, schedules, and worksheets*
- most recent federal income tax return, including all forms, schedules, and worksheets*
- copy of your most recent W-2s
- copy of your Illinois voter’s registration card
- copies of your pay stubs for previous 12 months showing Illinois state tax withholding and year-to-date earnings information
- copy of your permanent resident card or visa (if applicable)
- your utility bill statements for previous 12 months
- statement from employer indicating start date, position, status (permanent/temporary), and location of your employment
- enrollment verification from all institutions of higher education showing level of your enrollment, if enrolled during the past 12 months

### Documentation for Dependent Students

- if parents are divorced or legally separated, provide copy of legal separation document
- statement from both parents'/guardians’ employers indicating start date, position, status (permanent/temporary), and location of employment^
- copy of both parents'/guardians’ pay stubs for previous 12 months showing Illinois state tax withholding and year-to-date earnings information^
- copy of both parents'/guardians’ Illinois driver’s licenses^
- copy of both parents'/guardians’ Illinois vehicle registrations^
- copy of both parents’ state i.d.^
- copy of parents'/guardians’ recent state income tax return, including all forms, schedules, and worksheets^
- copy of parents'/guardians’ recent federal income tax return, including all forms, schedules, and worksheets^
- copy of parents'/guardians’ most recent W-2s^
- signed and dated copy of lease agreement or proof of Illinois home purchase
- utility bill statements for previous 12 months
- copy of both parents'/guardians’ Illinois voter registration cards^
- copy of parents'/guardians’ permanent resident cards or visas (if applicable)^

*For residence status beginning with a summer or fall term: please include a copy of the state and federal income tax return for the year prior to the summer or fall term

For residence status beginning with a spring term: please include a copy of 1) the most recent state and federal income tax return, and 2) copy of a December pay stub with year-to-date information

^If parents are divorced or legally separated, provide documentation from the Illinois domiciled parent