

## 2025-2026 CUSTOM VERIFICATION (V4, V5)

### Federal Student Aid Programs

*You have been selected for verification by the Department of Education, and your school is required to verify your identity. Your school must review the requested information under the financial aid program rules (CFR Title 34, Part 668).*

\*\*\* Please choose **ONE** of the following options to verify your identity \*\*\*

### **Option A: Identity Verification with Tennessee Tech's Financial Aid Office**

The student must appear in person at Tennessee Technological University to verify his or her 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. **The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated by the institution with the date it was received and reviewed, and the name of the official at the institution authorized to receive and review the student's ID.**

Steps:

1. Locate your valid ID (as specified above).
2. Bring your ID to the Financial Aid Office at Tennessee Tech:  
**1000 N Dixie Ave, COOKEVILLE, TN 38505 - Jere Whitson Building, Room 301**
3. The Financial Aid Administrator will make a copy of your ID, sign and date the copy, and ask the student to sign and date the copy. *(This should all be completed on the copy of the student's ID.)*
4. The copy of your ID will be given to the appropriate processor for processing. Monitor your Eagle Online for updates.

### **Option B: Identity Verification with a Notary**

The student must appear in front of an official notary to verify his or her 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. **The institution will maintain a copy of the student's photo ID that is annotated by the notary with the date it was received and reviewed, the notarized stamp, and the name of the notary authorized to receive and review the student's ID.**

Steps:

1. Locate your valid ID (as specified above).
2. Bring your ID to an official notary.
3. The notary will make a copy of your ID, sign and date the copy, notarize the copy with their stamp, and ask the student to sign and date the copy. *(This should all be completed on the copy of the student's ID.)*
4. We will need the original copy of the notarized ID page. We cannot accept a faxed, duplicate copy, or digital copy of this page. Please mail ORIGINAL to:  
**Tennessee Tech FINANCIAL AID, Campus BOX 5076, COOKEVILLE, TN 38505**
5. The copy of your ID will be given to the appropriate processor for processing. Monitor your Eagle Online for updates.