Verification

The Department of Education or Lake Region State College may ask students to document that the information they provided on their application for financial aid is correct. If students are selected, they may be asked to verify such information as income, federal income tax paid, household size, status as a dependent or independent student, and citizenship. As part of this process, dependent students must provide the Financial Aid Office with their parents’ Federal Income Tax Return and in some cases, statements from Social Security Administration, Veteran’s Administration, or other agencies to verify benefits the student and/or the student’s family has received.

If information on any of these documents conflicts with the information reported on the student's FAFSA, they may be required to provide additional information. Failure to provide proof may result in the cancellation of aid from all of the Title IV programs and may also result in the cancellation of aid from other sources. Federal financial aid received because a student reported incorrect information will have to be repaid. Any person who intentionally makes false statements or misrepresentations on a federal financial aid application is violating the law and is subject to a fine or imprisonment or both under provisions of the U.S. Criminal Code.