

March 13, 2019

Via Email Only: VoterID@ncsbe.gov

Kim Strach
Executive Director of the State Board of Elections
P.O. Box 27255
Raleigh, NC 27611-7255

Dear Ms. Strach:

Session Law 2018-144 provides that the State Board of Elections shall approve the use of student identification cards issued by a constituent institution of the University of North Carolina for voting identification if certain requirements are met.

Accordingly, Appalachian State University ("Appalachian") requests approval by the State Board of Elections of Appalachian's student identification cards for use as voting identification, on the basis of the following attestation as required by G.S. 163A-1145.2:

1. The identification cards that are issued by Appalachian contain photographs of students taken by Appalachian or by its agents or contractors.
2. The identification cards are issued by Appalachian after an enrollment process that includes methods of confirming identity of students as described specifically herein. As part of the undergraduate, graduate and distance education admissions, financial aid, enrollment, and/or registration processes, applicant social security number, citizenship status, and birthdate are requested and are voluntarily self-reported by applicants.

Students who are employed on campus, who receive financial aid, or who are required to undergo a background check pursuant to applicable university policy, must provide a social security number.

United States citizenship and dual citizenship is verified if the student applies for Federal Student Aid or goes through the Residency Determination Service. Changes in a student's citizenship and VISA status during that student's enrollment is verified by Appalachian's Designated School Official for SEVIS.

In the event of any discrepancies between birthdates listed on application materials and transcripts from prior educational entities, test scores, etc., Appalachian notifies students in a timely manner, requesting the pertinent information in order to verify student identity.

3. The equipment for producing the identification cards is kept in a secure location.

4. Misuse of the equipment for producing the identification cards would be grounds for discipline.
5. Appalachian officials would report any misuse of identification card equipment to law enforcement if G.S. 163A-1389(19) was potentially violated.
6. Appalachian will use reasonable efforts in cooperation with the State Board to make information developed by the State Board of Elections related to voting and identification available to students in electronic form.

Appalachian also intends to comply with any other reasonable security measures determined by the State Board of Elections to be necessary for the protection and security of the student identification process. Unless requested to do so by individual students, Appalachian does not plan to reissue IDs that Appalachian issued to students prior to the date of this letter. In addition, Appalachian reserves the right to explore the feasibility of developing a process for issuing special IDs in time for the 2021 cycle.

Please find attached a copy of our standard student identification card. Given the above information, I believe Appalachian's attached student ID meets the requirements for approval by the State Board of Elections, and to the best of my knowledge and belief I declare under penalty of perjury that the information submitted herein is true and correct.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

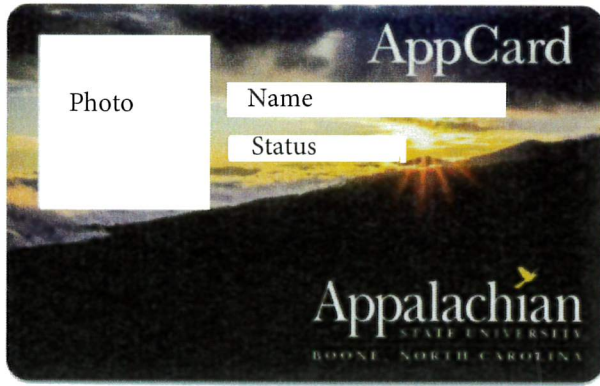
Sincerely,



Sheri Everts
Chancellor



Cindy L. Barr
Associate Vice Chancellor
Enrollment Management



This card is your official University Identification card and must be carried at all times. This card becomes void upon termination or interruption of enrollment. Lost cards must be reported immediately to the I.D. Office, any Food Services location, or University Police Department.

Wellness Center 828.262.3148 M-F: 8am - 5pm
University Police 828.262.2150 Open 24 Hours
Counseling Center 828.262.3180 M-F: 8am - 5pm
Equity, Diversity, & Compliance 828.262.2144 M-F: 8am - 5pm
Plemmons Student Union 828.262.3030 M-F: 7a-11p Sa: 9a-11p Su: 12p-11p
Safe Ride 828.262.7433 M-Su: 7pm-3am