



Application for School Tax Relief (STAR) Exemption

Dear Property Owner,

You may be eligible for a School Property Tax Savings. If you own property and it is your primary residence, you are probably eligible for a STAR school property tax exemption. To receive your exemption all you have to do is complete the following sections, sign, date and **return this form to your local assessor by taxable status date**. The assessor may require proof of residency and ownership.

Name and telephone number of owner(s)

Mailing address of owner(s)

Day Number () _____

Evening Number () _____

E-Mail Address _____

Location of property

Street address _____

Village (if any) _____

City/town _____

School district _____

Tax map number or section/block/lot _____
Property identification (see tax bill or assessment roll)

You may be eligible for a larger school property tax savings if you meet these age and income requirements:

- 1. If you are applying for STAR for the 2009-2010 school year:
 - a) Will all owners be at least 65 years of age as of December 31, 2009? **OR**
 - b) Is the property owned by a husband and wife or by siblings, whereby at least one spouse or sibling will be 65 years of age as of December 31, 2009? Yes No
- 2. Is the total 2007 income of all the owners, and of any owners' spouses residing on the premises, \$73,000 or less? (See definition of income for STAR purposes on back of form.) Yes No

If the answer to both questions 1 and 2 is yes, all owners, including non-resident owners, must attach a copy of either their 2007 federal or 2007 State income tax return (if filed). (Tax schedules and tax form attachments are not routinely required.) **Return this form to your local assessor by taxable status date**. The assessor may require proof of age. Do not file this form with the New York State Office of Real Property Services.

Caution: Anyone who misrepresents his or her primary residence, age or income shall be subject to a \$100 penalty, shall be prohibited from receiving the STAR exemption for five years, and may be subject to criminal prosecution.

I (we) certify that all of the above information is correct and **that the property listed above is owned by and is my (our) primary residence**. I (we) understand it is **my (our) obligation to notify the assessor if I (we) relocate to another primary residence** and to provide any documentation of eligibility that is requested.

All resident owners must sign and date.

Signature Date

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