



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

 City/town

 Village (if any)

 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 2008-2009 school year:
 - a) Will all owners be at least 65 years of age as of December 31, 2008? **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, 2008? Yes No
2. Is the total 2006 income of all the owners, and of any owners' spouses residing on the premises, \$70,650 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 2006 federal or 2006 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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