

Instructions for Borrower

A person (including a financial institution, a governmental unit, and an educational institution) that receives interest payments of \$600 or more during the year on one or more qualified student loans must furnish this statement to you.

You may be able to deduct student loan interest that you actually paid in 2018 on your income tax return. However, you may not be able to deduct the full amount of interest reported on this statement. Do not contact the recipient/lender for explanations of the requirements for (and how to figure) any allowable deduction for the interest paid. Instead, for more information, see Pub. 970, and the Student Loan Interest Deduction Worksheet in your Form 1040 instructions.

Borrower's taxpayer identification number (TIN). For your protection, this form may show only the last four digits of your TIN (social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN)). However, the issuer has reported your complete TIN to the IRS.

Account number. May show an account or other unique number the lender assigned to distinguish your account.

Box 1. Shows the interest received by the lender during the year on one or more student loans made to you. For loans made on or after September 1, 2004, box 1 must include loan origination fees and capitalized interest received in 2018. If your loan was made before September 1, 2004, you may be able to deduct loan origination fees and capitalized interest not reported in box 1.

Box 2. If checked, indicates that loan origination fees and/or capitalized interest are **not** included in box 1 for loans made before September 1, 2004. See Pub. 970 for how to figure any deductible loan origination fees or capitalized interest.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form 1098-E and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/Form1098E.

Instructions for Recipient/Lender

To complete Form 1098-E, use:

- The 2018 General Instructions for Certain Information Returns, and
- The 2018 Instructions for Forms 1098-E and 1098-T.

To order these instructions and additional forms, go to www.irs.gov/Form1098E.

Caution: Because paper forms are scanned during processing, you cannot file Forms 1096, 1097, 1098, 1099, 3921, or 5498 that you download and print from the IRS website.

Due dates. Furnish Copy B of this form to the borrower by January 31, 2019.

File Copy A of this form with the IRS by February 28, 2019. If you file electronically, the due date is April 1, 2019. To file electronically, you must have software that generates a file according to the specifications in Pub. 1220. The IRS does not provide a fill-in form option for Copy A.

Need help? If you have questions about reporting on Form 1098-E, call the information reporting customer service site toll free at 866-455-7438 or 304-263-8700 (not toll free). Persons with a hearing or speech disability with access to TTY/TDD equipment can call 304-579-4827 (not toll free).