FEDERAL DIRECT PARENT "PLUS" LOAN APPLICATION PROCESS

THE STEPS BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED ANNUALLY

Step 1 – FSA User ID and Password Required

• Locate your FSA User ID and password (the one that you used to sign your child's FAFSA). You must log in with the parent's ID and NOT the student's ID to apply for a parent plus loan. You can create or edit your FSA User ID and Password at <u>www.studentaid.gov</u>. If you need assistance with this process, please call 1-800-557-7394

Step 2 – Apply for the Parent Plus Loan

- Please go to <u>www.studentaid.gov</u> and click on "Apply for Aid" and then click "Apply for a Parent PLUS Loan". Click on the "Log In to Start" button, and provide your FSA User ID and Password.
- Enter in your personal information if it does not appear and select continue
- Enter in your student's information; the academic period is the student's current dates of attendance, for example August to May. Answer any additional questions and choose West Virginia Wesleyan as the school. You may at this time enter in specific loan amount you would like to borrow
- If your loan is <u>approved</u> you are <u>not</u> finished and <u>must</u> proceed to **Step 3**. If your loan is denied you have options, please see the Plus Loan Denial Options below

Step 3 – Complete Master Promissory Note (MPN) – Only if Plus Loan is Approved

- Continue on the <u>www.studentaid.gov</u> website. If you have logged out click the "Log In" button and provide your FSA User ID & Password
- Then click "<u>MPN for Parents</u>" under "Complete Aid Process". The person completing the application request and MPN <u>must</u> be the same parent
- Enter in the requested personal information and choose West Virginia Wesleyan as the school
- Enter in two (2) references that have known you three (3) years or longer. You will need to know their name, address, and phone number. Your two references <u>cannot</u> have the same address
- Read the required screens, electronically sign it, and view the MPN. You are **<u>not</u>** finished!
- You must then click the submit button
- You will then receive a confirmation page congratulating you on completing your MPN. You must receive this congratulations page in order for the Financial Aid Office to process the MPN
- Success! You are finished. We will receive your information in approximately 24 hours and will then be able to add the loan to the student's account. Thank you!

Plus Loan Denial Options

- **Denied Credit Decision** If you receive notification that your credit decision was denied, Direct Loans will notify you of your options for an endorser (co-signer).
- Check <u>only</u> under Section III Credit Decision/Co-Signer Option if your "Parent PLUS" is denied for credit reasons and you will complete the required documents sent to you by Direct Loans to obtain a co-signer <u>or</u> if you will provide documentation to Direct Loans indicating that your adverse credit has been resolved.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS

Direct Loan Borrowers (800) 848-0979

Federal Student Aid Programs (800) 4-FED-AID (800-433-3243) www.studentaid.gov WVWC – Financial Aid Office 59 College Avenue Buckhannon, WV 26201 Phone: (304) 473-8080 or (800) 343-2374 Fax: (304) 473-8824

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