2017-18 Financial Aid Checklist

The following items should be considered as you progress through the financial aid process for the 2017-18 academic year. Please visit http://finaid.luther.edu for forms and additional information.

_____ File the 2017-18 FAFSA online at www.fafsa.gov by March 1st for incoming students and March 15th for current students. The 2017-18 FAFSA became available on October 1, 2016. We strongly encourage families to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool when completing the FAFSA.

_____ Apply now and often for outside scholarships. Many opportunities are listed on the “Scholarships From Outside Sources” section of the Financial Aid website.

_____ Current students should check regularly for requested documents on my.luther.edu starting mid-February.

_____ Secure a student work position for the 2017-18 academic year during the spring semester (current students only). New students will receive a position assignment during the summer of 2017.

_____ Submit PLUS or private loan applications by July 15th in order to cover remaining balances to prevent monthly late fee charges.

_____ Complete and submit a Monthly Payment Plan form for all or part of the remaining costs by July 1st if you wish to use this method of payment.*

_____ Complete and submit a Work Credit Plan by July 1st if you wish to use this option.*

_____ Review and assign access rights to the Parent Portal on the “Grant Parent Rights” section of my.luther.edu.

_____ Sign up for the Parent Newsletter, http://www.luther.edu/parents/newsletter/

* Applications for the Monthly Payment Plan and the Work Credit Plan can be found on the Financial Services website, www.luther.edu/financialservices. Monthly Payment Plans and Work Credit Plans must be completed on an annual basis.