2018-19 Financial Aid Checklist

The following items should be considered as you progress through the financial aid process for the 2018-19 academic year. Please visit http://finaid.luther.edu for forms and additional information.

___ File the 2018-19 FAFSA online at www.fafsa.gov by **February 1st** for incoming students and **March 15th** for current students. The 2018-19 FAFSA became available on October 1, 2017. 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 Form 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 2018-19 academic year during the spring semester (current students only). New students will receive a position assignment during the summer of 2018.

___ 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.