2020-2021 Federal Direct PLUS Loan Denial Form

Student Name: ___________________________ JAG#: _________________________

Your parent’s request for a Federal Direct PLUS Loan (Parent PLUS Loan) was denied. The denial may have occurred if the applicant: (1) is more than 90 days delinquent on any account; (2) has declared bankruptcy; and/or (3) has a financial judgment.

The Department of Education will issue a loan denial letter that will identify the name and telephone number of the agency who provided the credit information. If your parent feels that he/she was denied in error, your parent should call Applicant Services with the Department of Education with any questions they may have about the denial. The phone number is 1-800-557-7394. If the credit data is inaccurate, the loan denial decision may be appealed. **Our office will not be provided any information about the specific reason for the denial. The Department of Education handles all Parent PLUS Loan denial appeals.**

If the denial decision was based on accurate information, your parent has the option to obtain an endorser (similar to a co-signer) on the loan. If your parent wishes to apply for the Parent PLUS Loan with an endorser, they will need to complete the process at [https://studentaid.gov/app/launchEndorserAddendum.action](https://studentaid.gov/app/launchEndorserAddendum.action). The endorser can be another parent or anyone who meets the credit criteria and is willing to endorse the Parent PLUS Loan. **However, you (the student) may not endorse the Parent PLUS Loan.**

**CHOOSE ONLY ONE OPTION BELOW:**

- **Option 1:** My parent will appeal the credit decision or will obtain a credit eligible endorser. Please do not cancel the Parent PLUS Loan until my parent notifies you of the decision regarding the loan.

- **Option 2:** My parent will **not** appeal the credit decision or obtain a credit eligible endorser. No further action is requested. I understand that I am responsible for any unpaid balance(s) on my student account. The Parent PLUS Loan will remain in denied status in PAWS.

- **Option 3:** My parent will **not** appeal the credit decision or obtain a credit eligible endorser. As a result, I am requesting additional Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan funds. I understand that the additional Unsubsidized Loan amount available is limited to no more than $4,000 as a freshman or sophomore and $5,000 as a junior or senior per academic year. I also understand that the amount will be prorated if the loan is for one term only and that the amount requested will be split evenly if multiple terms are selected below.

I have discussed this matter with my parent(s). **I am fully aware that this decision will greatly increase my total loan indebtedness and may affect my eligibility to receive Federal Direct Loans in subsequent years.** I also acknowledge that this loan, unlike the Parent PLUS Loan, is solely in my name and that I am legally responsible for repaying this loan.

Amount Requested: $___________
(no more than $4,000 as a freshman/sophomore and $5,000 as a junior/senior per academic year)

Semester(s): [ ] Fall 2020 [ ] Spring 2021 [ ] Summer 2021 (only if included in your current offer)

Student Signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________________

*Please allow five business days for your request to be processed by our office. Please be aware that during peak times the expected processing time may exceed five business days. **INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.**

***Typed signatures will not be accepted***