For the certification and processing of Parent PLUS Loans, WCC currently participates in the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (also known as Direct Loan) Program.

PLUS loans are credit based loans for parents (or step-parents) of an eligible undergraduate dependent student to assist the student with educational expenses. Parents are encouraged to only apply for what they feel is necessary to pay for their student's college expenses and what they can reasonably afford to repay. To process/request a Parent PLUS loan your dependent student's FAFSA for the aid year must have been submitted with WCC listed as a school so that we can review the information and award any federal and/or state aid for which they are eligible. Only then can you request and submit a Parent PLUS loan application.

To request a Parent PLUS loan packet, please contact the Financial Aid Office at <u>finaid@whatcom.edu</u> or 360-383-3010 and let our staff know you would like a Parent PLUS loan packet.