

Dear Applicant:

As you may know, on March 30, 2010, President Obama signed the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act (SAFRA) which, among many things, provides for the elimination of the Federal Family Education Loan Program effective July 1, 2010. Loans made after this date will be processed through the Federal Direct Loan Program, which is administered by the U.S. Department of Education.

In order to effect a smooth transition with minimal impact to our schools and borrowers, MOHELA will be taking the following steps:

- MOHELA will not accept applications for processing for any Stafford, GradPLUS, or PLUS loans from our Lender Partners after May 1, 2010.
  - For loans originated by Commerce Bank or MOHELA as lender, we will accept applications until June 28, 2010 at 5:00 pm (CT).
- MOHELA will not accept any Stafford, GradPLUS, or PLUS loans which have first disbursement dates on or after July 1, 2010.
- For Stafford, GradPLUS, and PLUS loans which have been guaranteed but not disbursed and are scheduled for first disbursement prior to July 1, 2010, MOHELA will continue to originate these loans when they become due for disbursement.
- For Stafford, GradPLUS, and PLUS loans which have had a first disbursement made, MOHELA will continue originate these loans when they become due for future disbursements.
- For loans which meet the above criteria, all disbursements should be fully disbursed by September 10, 2010.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Financial Aid Office at the school you will attend this fall. The Financial Aid Office is the best resource for students and families and they can provide direction consistent with the financial aid process used by a particular school.

Sincerely,

MOHELA