YOUR RIGHTS

You are entitled to know the full amount of your loan, the interest rate, the first payment due date and amount.

Your interest rate will be five percent (5%) and your minimum monthly payment will be $40. You will be billed quarterly at a minimum quarterly payment of $120.

You may prepay all or any portion of the principal plus accrued interest at any time without penalty. Payments are applied to outstanding collection fees, late fees, and interest charges before being applied to the principal. The balance of the loan is not reduced by the total payment amount; it is reduced only by the amount applied to principal. Of course, if no other charges are due, the entire payment is applied to principal.

Amounts paid during the academic year in which the loan was made will be to reduce the amount of the loan. These are not considered prepayments. All other payments made in excess of the amount due will be used to reduce principal, unless you clearly designate in writing that excess amounts are payments toward future installments.

You are entitled to deferment, postponement, and cancellation of your loan as specified in your promissory note.

You may be able to consolidate multiple student loans into one account. Many banks, as well as federally funded organizations such as Sallie Mae, provide this service.

You will have a nine (9) month grace period after you cease to be at least a half-time student at an institution of higher education. Interest will begin to accrue at your grace-ending date, not your first due date.

DO YOU QUALIFY FOR A CANCELLATION?

This loan provides you with an opportunity to cancel all or part of your loan for certain types of service or in other specific situations.

Teaching

If you are a full-time teacher in a public or other nonprofit elementary or secondary school designated by the Federal Government to have a high concentration of students from low-income families, you may be eligible for cancellation. The list of qualifying schools changes annually and is available on-line at: http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/students/repayment/teachers/perkins.html.

If you are a full-time special education teacher (including teachers of infants, toddlers, children, or youth with disabilities), in a public or other nonprofit elementary or secondary school system, or as a full-time qualified professional provider of early intervention services in a public or other nonprofit program under public supervision by the lead agency as authorized in section 676 (b) (9) of the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act.

If you are a full-time teacher of mathematics, science, foreign language, bilingual education, or other field of expertise that is determined by the State Department of Education to have a shortage of qualified teachers.

If you are eligible, your loan will be cancelled at the following annual rate: 15% for the first and second year; 20% for the third and fourth year; 30% for the fifth year

Headstart

If you are employed as a full-time educational staff member in a Federal Headstart Program, you may be eligible for cancellation. If eligible, your loan can be cancelled at an annual rate of 15 percent until the entire debt is cancelled.
Military

Upon making a properly documented written request to the Institution, you are entitled to have up to 50 percent of the principal amount of the loan plus the interest thereon cancelled if you serve as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States in an area of hostilities that qualifies for special pay under section 310 of Title 37 of the United States Code. The loan will be cancelled at the rate of 12.5 percent of the total principal amount plus interest of the unpaid balance for each complete year of such qualifying service after the period for which you received the loan.

Law Enforcement

If you are a full-time enforcement officer for an eligible local, State, or Federal law enforcement agency or a full-time corrections officer for an eligible local, State, or Federal corrections agency you may be eligible to have your loan cancelled at the following rate: 15% for the first and second year; 20% for the third and fourth year; 30% for the fifth year

Nurse or Medical Technician

If you are a nurse or medical technician and perform qualifying service after the period for which you received the loan as a full-time nurse or medical technician providing health care to high-risk children who are from low-income communities and the families of such children you may be eligible to have your loan cancelled at the following rate: 15% for the first and second year; 20% for the second and third year; 30% for the fifth year

Child or Family Service Agency Cancellation

If you are a full-time employee of an eligible public or private nonprofit child or family service agency who is providing or supervising the provision of services to high-risk children who are from low-income communities and the families of such children you may be eligible to have your loan cancelled at the following rate: 15% for the first and second year; 20% for the third and fourth year; 30% for the fifth year

FORBEARANCE

Upon making properly documented written request to the Institution you may be eligible for forbearance of principal and interest or principal only, renewable at 12-month intervals for a period not to exceed three years, if your annual Title IV loan repayment obligation equals or exceeds 20 percent of your gross income or the Institution determines that you qualify for other reasons.

DEATH

In the event of your death, the total amount owed on this loan will be cancelled.

DISABILITY

If you become permanently and totally disabled after receiving this loan, the Institution will cancel the total amount of this loan.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

You are responsible for informing the Institution of any change or changes in name, address, telephone number, or Social Security Number.

You are responsible for properly and fully completed certified forms, for requesting deferment, postponement, or cancellation on a timely basis.
Because a Federal Perkins Loan is a loan which must be paid back after you leave school, we need to have the following information on file.

**Student Information**

Name_________________________  Social Security Number________________

Permanent Address__________________________

Phone________  Date of Birth__________  Are you a U.S. citizen?________

Estimated Graduation Date________________

Drivers License #_________________________  State Issued________________

Name of your bank__________________________

Bank Address______________________________

**Family Information**

Father or Guardian  Mother or Guardian

Name_________________________  Name_________________________

Address_________________________  Address_________________________

Phone_________________________  Phone_________________________

Occupation_________________________  Occupation_________________________

Employer_________________________  Employer_________________________

Brothers and sisters over 18 - give married name for sister if applicable.

Name_________________________  Address_________________________

Name_________________________  Address_________________________

Name_________________________  Address_________________________

**Personal References - not relatives**

Name_________________________  Name_________________________

Address_________________________  Address_________________________

Occupation_________________________  Occupation_________________________