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Dear fld_FIRST_NAME,

Thank you for your patience as we continue preparing 2026–27 financial aid awards for returning students. We're writing to provide an update to our previous email regarding the timing of your financial aid award. Please share this email with your parent/supporter if they assist in financing your education.

As we complete the final system updates required to implement recent federal financial aid changes, we now **expect to begin releasing financial aid awards next week**. We understand many of you are eager to review your financial aid and make plans for the upcoming fall semester. Thank you for your continued understanding as we work to ensure your financial aid is processed accurately and in compliance with these new federal requirements.

What does this mean for my bill?

Although your tuition bill is already available, **payment is not due until September 1**. You will have time to review your financial aid offer before payment is due. As a policy, URI does not drop students from classes for non-payment.

Once your award is processed, you will receive an email notification. Any grants and scholarships will automatically appear on your student account and reduce your balance. If you are offered Federal Direct loans, you will need to accept or decline those.

Will this affect my classes or housing?

No. URI does not cancel class schedules or housing assignments for non-payment. This processing delay will not affect your enrollment or housing.

I'm enrolled in a payment plan. What should I do?

If you are participating in the University's monthly payment plan, you may use your estimated balance from last year when determining the amount you wish to finance. If your actual financial aid award differs from your estimate, you can adjust future payments as needed.

How does this affect loan processing?

If you plan to apply for a private educational loan or a Federal Parent PLUS loan, you may do so using estimated costs from prior years. URI will begin processing those loans shortly. If your financial aid award changes your remaining balance, you can reduce the amount you borrow before the loan is finalized.

Is there anything I should do while I wait?

Please continue to:

- Check your Financial Aid To Do List in eCampus and submit any requested documents.
- Review your tuition bill and payment options, including [loans](#) for the balance due.
- Monitor your email—we'll notify you as soon as your financial aid award is available.

We understand that many students and families are trying to finalize their plans for the fall semester, and we appreciate your continued patience while we complete these final steps.

Sincerely,

Victoria McNeil
Director of Financial Aid
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