

## **2015 Federal Tax Return Requirement**

If you or your parents are not able to have your taxes completed by the February 15 deadline (as we understand will be the case for some families), we request a draft or preliminary copy of your taxes. "DRAFT" should be clearly noted on the top of the return.

If you anticipate that your 2015 tax information will be similar to your 2014, you may submit a copy of your 2014 federal tax return as a draft copy of 2015, along with any paperwork that you have received to-date (W-2s and other tax information) for 2015.

It is in your best interest to submit the complete 2015 tax return as soon as possible. A financial aid award based on preliminary tax information is tentative and subject to change once the final 2015 tax return is received.

Please be advised that we will evaluate complete applications first and then determine whether or not an incomplete file has sufficient information for a preliminary review. Late applicants risk not being aided.

If you have any further questions or concerns, contact our office at financialaid@lehigh.edu or call us at (610) 758-3181.