

Exhibit 13

Information/Action Item

Update on Dream Act

This report summarizes the first complete year of implementation of the California Dream Act application and award process. The initial implementation year (2013-14) of California Dream Act awards completed with the final reconciliation in December 2014. This exhibit provides the final 2013-14 award statistics, an initial review of 2014-15 new award offers, and a summary of changes to the 2015-16 Dream Act application and website.

California Dream Act Application Counts

Table 1 shows the number of California Dream Act applications submitted for each academic year. The 2014-15 and 2015-16 application counts include students who reapplied (renewals). The Dream Act application is used various types of financial aid that are available to Dream Act students. Therefore, those students who do not meet Cal Grant eligibility requirements, use the application to be considered for other financial aid that the campus may offer them.

**Table 1
Dream Act Applications**

	2013-14 COUNTS	2014-15 COUNTS	2015-16 COUNTS
On Time (met March 2 deadline)	20,746	26,796	29,591
After March 2	16,524	13,103	840
Total Applications	37,270	39,899	30,431

The California Dream Act application process is similar to the application process of filing a FAFSA and Grade Point Average (GPA). Applicants who meet the Cal Grant eligibility requirements are offered Cal Grant awards. However, those award offers may not be utilized for various reasons. All Cal Grant award offers not utilized during the academic year are withdrawn in December. Tables 2A and 3A show the year-end Dream Act award offers, payments by segment and by program. The final awarded count of 6,956 for 2013-14, includes award offers that have now been paid and award offers that have been withdrawn during the year-end withdrawal process in December 2014.

Tables 2B and 3B reflect the current 2014-15 award year results through March of 2015. Institutions will have until November 2015 to pay and reconcile the Dream Act students with Cal Grant award offers.

The Non-Dream Act paid rate in tables 2A and 2B includes paid students from the High School Entitlement, Transfer Entitlement and Cal Grant C programs. The data show that Dream Act students have paid rates that are very close to the overall paid rates for all Cal Grant students.

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Table 2A
2013-14 Dream Act Award Offers & Payments by Segment

	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS	WITH- DRAWN	PAID RATE	NON DREAM ACT PAID RATE
Community College	3,473	1,435	1,726	41%	47%
UC	1,149	1,039	105	90%	86%
CSU	2,161	1,661	460	77%	77%
Private 2-Year	-	-	-	-	29%
Private 4-Year	153	96	48	63%	69%
For Profit	20	5	17	25%	30%
Total	6,956	4,236	2,356	61%	64%

Table 2B
2014-15 Dream Act Award Offers & Payments by Segment

	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS	PAID RATE	NON DREAM ACT PAID RATE
Community College	3,988	1,801	45%	47%
UC	1,166	1,018	87%	73%
CSU	2,746	1,811	66%	59%
Private 2-Year	1	-	0%	64%
Private 4-Year	205	115	56%	56%
For Profit	44	13	30%	68%
Total	8,150	4,758	58%	57%

Table 3A
2013-14 Dream Act Award Offers & Payments by Program

	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS	WITH- DRAWN	PAID RATE	NON-DREAM ACT PAID RATE
High School Entitlement	5,977	3,514	2,131	59%	65%
Transfer Entitlement	786	670	112	85%	83%
Cal C	193	52	113	27%	31%
Total	6,956	4,236	2,356	61%	64%

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**Table 3B
2014-15 Dream Act Award Offers & Payments by Program**

	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS	PAID RATE	NON DREAM ACT PAID RATE
High School Entitlement	6,586	3,791	58%	58%
Transfer Entitlement	1,282	866	68%	49%
Cal C	282	101	36%	59%
Total	8,150	4,758	58%	57%

2013-14 California Dream Act Award Statistics by Demographics

Tables 4, 5 and 6 provide demographic information.

Table 4 below illustrates the demographic breakdown by age for Dream Act applicants. Dream Act students are only eligible for the High School Entitlement, Transfer Entitlement and Cal Grant C awards. Due to this limitation, the rapid decrease in the number of awards beyond 18-21 year olds should be expected.

**Table 4
2013-14 Comparison of On-Time Dream Act Applications by Age**

	ON OR BEFORE MARCH 2 DEADLINE			
	APPLIED COUNT	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS	WITHDRAWN
Under 18	10	-	-	-
18-19	5,532	3,357	1,915	1,242
20-21	6,933	2,716	1,662	916
22-23	3,414	424	333	79
24-25	2,163	269	201	65
26-27	1,280	122	89	31
Over 27	1,414	68	36	23
Total	20,746	6,956	4,236	2,356

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Table 5
2013-14 Comparison of On-Time Dream Act Applications by Income

	ON OR BEFORE MARCH 2 DEADLINE			
	APPLIED COUNT	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS	WITHDRAWN
Not Reported	2,372	331	78	241
Under \$12,000	7,409	2,279	1,325	821
\$12,000-\$23,999	5,038	1,974	1,213	669
\$24,000-\$35,999	3,008	1,263	837	376
\$36,000-\$47,999	1,538	716	493	186
\$48,000-\$59,999	670	233	171	38
\$60,000-\$71,999	323	100	77	13
\$72,000-\$83,999	150	42	30	8
\$84,000-\$92,999	71	8	4	2
\$93,000 or over	167	10	8	2
Total	20,746	6,956	4,236	2,356

Table 6
2013-14 Comparison of On-Time Dream Act Applications by GPA

	ON OR BEFORE MARCH 2 DEADLINE			
	APPLIED COUNT	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS	WITHDRAWN
3.75 - 4.00	1,114	794	673	99
3.50 - 3.74	1,416	944	742	153
3.25 - 3.49	1,659	1,085	760	279
3.00 - 3.24	1,958	1,242	797	376
2.75 - 2.99	1,678	932	524	357
2.50 - 2.74	1,428	812	378	392
2.25 - 2.49	1,034	581	205	330
2.00 - 2.24	777	454	128	301
Less than 2.00	793	17	3	14
Not Reported	8,889	95	26	55
Total	20,746	6,956	4,236	2,356

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2014-15 California Dream Act Award Statistics by Demographics

The award processes for the 2014-15 academic year began in 2014 and award payments are still being made. Tables 7, 8 and 9 represent a demographic profile of on-time applications this year.

Table 7
2014-15 Comparison of On-Time Dream Act Applications by Age

	ON OR BEFORE MARCH 2 DEADLINE		
	APPLIED COUNT	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS
Under 18	60	37	23
18-19	12,184	6,314	3,670
20-21	6,095	717	414
22-23	3,459	533	356
24-25	2,234	323	190
26-27	1,370	172	92
Over 27	1,394	54	13
Total	26,796	8,150	4,758

Table 8
2014-15 Comparison of On-Time Dream Act Applications by Age by Income

	ON OR BEFORE MARCH 2 DEADLINE		
	APPLIED COUNT	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS
Not Reported	2,491	338	115
Under \$12,000	9,075	2,395	1,294
\$12,000-\$23,999	6,830	2,480	1,505
\$24,000-\$35,999	4,131	1,598	1,019
\$36,000-\$47,999	2,351	857	537
\$48,000-\$59,999	1,010	306	182
\$60,000-\$71,999	500	114	72
\$72,000-\$83,999	200	44	27
\$84,000-\$92,999	71	14	6
\$93,000 or over	137	4	1
Total	26,796	8,150	4,758

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Table 9
Comparison of On-Time Dream Act Applications by Age by GPA

	ON OR BEFORE MARCH 2 DEADLINE		
	APPLIED COUNT	AWARDED COUNT	PAID RECIPIENTS
3.75 - 4.00	963	690	558
3.50 - 3.74	1,361	928	700
3.25 - 3.49	1,825	1,171	760
3.00 - 3.24	2,203	1,461	922
2.75 - 2.99	2,013	1,187	664
2.50 - 2.74	1,785	1,090	525
2.25 - 2.49	1,319	807	337
2.00 - 2.24	982	650	240
Less than 2.00	927	21	7
Not Reported	13,418	145	45
Total	26,796	8,150	4,758

Dream Act Workgroup

In our efforts to continue improving the California Dream Act application process, the Commission has recently created a California Dream Act workgroup for High School Counselors. This new workgroup has met twice already and was given the opportunity to join the Financial Aid Advisors workgroup meeting so that they can better understand the other side of the application process.

Commission staff will continue to work with external stakeholders on the California Dream Act application and award process. Monthly meetings are scheduled for the foreseeable future with both Dream Act Workgroups (High School Counselors and Financial Aid Advisors) to ensure that representatives from all segments have the opportunity to discuss, provide feedback, and make recommendations for future improvements to the application as well as the delivery of information regarding the Dream Act. These workgroups also provide an avenue for stakeholders to address any potential or newly discovered issues they may be facing. Information gathered in this setting is invaluable to Commission staff as it provides the opportunity for widespread review of what is still a relatively new area in state financial aid.

Continual efforts are made to ensure the implementation and administration of the California Dream Act, as well as the Commission's other financial aid programs, are pursued to the fullest extent possible.

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