



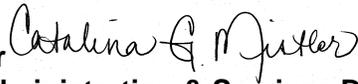
OPERATIONS MEMO

Update of the California Student Aid Commission

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SUBJECT: Cal Grant Program Update – Top Two Percent and Cal Grant C

This Operations Memo provides an update on the following 2011-12 academic year Cal Grant award processes.

Top Two Percent Cal Grant B Entitlement Awards

California Education Code Section 69538(d) authorizes the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) to offer tuition/fee payments, in addition to the access portion of the award (\$1,551), to the top two percent of first year Entitlement Cal Grant B participants, based on a competitive scoring process. This group is commonly referred to as the "Top Two Percent." The Commission has processed those awards and notified the 1,391 students selected. Starting July 18, 2011, schools can see the adjusted awards for the top two percent recipients on their rosters. Other entering freshman Cal Grant B Entitlement recipients will receive only the access portion of the grant for their first year in the program.

Cal Grant C Awards

The Commission identified over 80,000 students eligible to compete for a 2011-12 Cal Grant C award. Approximately 17,100 supplements were received, and the Commission has made the authorized number of Cal Grant C awards. Notification letters have been sent to the selected students, and schools may view new Cal Grant C recipients on their rosters starting July 18.

If you have questions regarding any of the information contained in this notification, please contact School Support Services at (888) 294-0153 or at schoolsupport@csac.ca.gov.

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