



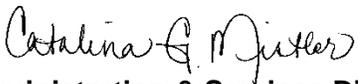
# OPERATIONS MEMO

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**SUBJECT:** Link to California Dream Act

The California Student Aid Commission (Commission) is encouraging high schools and colleges to create a link from their websites to the Commission's California Dream Act Web page.

As outlined in Grant Operations Memo [GOM 2012-32](#), for the first time this application allows AB 540 eligible college students to apply for state-funded student financial aid and private scholarships administered by California's publicly-funded colleges and universities. Beginning with the 2013-14 academic year, eligible California Dream Act students will also be eligible to apply for Cal Grants.

The Commission is asking campuses to link to the main Dream Act page at [www.caldreamact.org](http://www.caldreamact.org). The Commission feels that students will be best served by links to the main site as opposed to linking directly to the online application. Using this approach, the student will not bypass important information and instructions such as the Dream Application Worksheet, the Dream Application Instructions, the printable Dream Act Application and the 2013-14 Non-SSN GPA Verification Form.

Response to the 2012-13 academic year application has been very encouraging. As we approach the opening of the 2013-14 application year, we are entering an exciting new era for California Dream Act students. Your links to the California Dream Act website will assist the Commission in our efforts to provide California Dream Act students with critical information to ensure their application process is successful.

If you have questions regarding any of the information in this memo, please contact the Commission's School Support Services at (888) 294-0153 or at [schoolsupport@csac.ca.gov](mailto:schoolsupport@csac.ca.gov).



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