



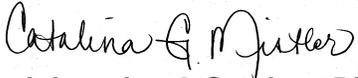
SPECIAL ALERT

Update of the California Student Aid Commission

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SUBJECT: Update on 2009-10 Cal Grant Funding and Extension of the
2010-11 Cal Grant C Supplement Deadline

The purpose of this Grant Special Alert (GSA) from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) is to provide updates on the 2009-10 Cal Grant funding shortage and the status of the 2010-11 Cal Grant C Supplements.

2009-10 Cal Grant Funding

GSA 2010-20, dated May 5, 2010, addressed the suspension of 2009-10 Cal Grant payments and the necessary steps taken with the Department of Finance (DOF) in the budget augmentation process. The DOF must submit formal notification to the California Legislature authorizing the additional program funds. Until the Legislature has completed its review, the Commission has no authority to process any further 2009-10 Cal Grant payments. The Commission does not have a definitive timeframe for when the DOF will notify the Legislature of the authorization of additional program funding.

The summer term advances will not be issued in early June as normally scheduled. The Commission will re-evaluate the summer term advance once more is known regarding the budget augmentation request. Until then, please advise summer Cal Grant students accordingly on the availability of Cal Grant funds.

The Commission appreciates your patience, understanding and cooperation. We are aware of the impact the delayed Cal Grant funds have had on your students and on your fiscal operations. The Commission will continue to keep you informed as soon as updates are received.

2010-11 Cal Grant C Supplements

The Cal Grant C program is for students who are either enrolled or planning to enroll for the fall term in a recognized vocational/technical/occupational program



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of at least four months in length. Students pursuing these programs should submit a Cal Grant C Supplement (supplement) to compete for a Cal Grant C award.

To allow more applicants time to complete the supplement, the Commission will continue to accept Cal Grant C Supplements until **June 30, 2010**. A reminder e-mail notification will be sent later this week to over 50,000 students potentially eligible for a Cal Grant C. Please encourage applicants to submit the supplement online in WebGrants for Students (WGS) or by mailing the paper supplement, which can be downloaded from the Commission's homepage at www.csac.ca.gov. The online form in WGS provides Cal Grant C applicants the most convenient method of submitting the supplement information and minimizes errors by using drop down options and data entry logic.

The Commission encourages schools to utilize the "Cal Grant C Supplement Recipient" report to follow-up with their students who need to submit the supplement. This report lists all students at your school who have been sent the supplement notification. The report is available on the WebGrants "Report Download" screen accessed from the "Data Transfer" menu.

If you have any questions regarding this Special Alert, please contact School Support Services at (888) 294-0153 or at schoolsupport@csac.ca.gov.

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