



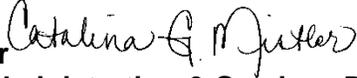
SPECIAL ALERT

Update of the California Student Aid Commission

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SUBJECT: California Dream Act Application Training Webinars

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) announces a series of webinars for financial aid administrators and high school counselors serving AB 540 students in the processing of the California Dream Act Application (CA Dream Application).

The 2014-15 online CA Dream Application was redesigned to make the application process easier for students, parents, and institutions. The webinars will provide an overview of the new application and its enhancements in preparation for the release of the 2014-15 California Dream Act Application on Monday, January 6, 2014.

The webinar sessions for high school counselors will be slightly different from those for financial aid administrators. Both will cover the new 2014-15 enhancements, with the high school sessions focusing more on the application process and student eligibility. Space is limited in each session, so please be mindful of this when registering.

Each online training session will be approximately one hour. Participants can log on from their office or home computer and follow along screen-by-screen while listening to the live audio feed over the phone. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and receive immediate answers.

Registration Information

To register and get more information on this training, visit the Commission's website at www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1445. Once you have registered, a confirmation e-mail will be sent to you with the website login instructions and teleconference phone line information. Retain this confirmation e-mail, as you will need it to join the training session.



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2014-15 California Dream Act Webinar Schedule

Date	Time	Target Audience
12/11/2013 - Wednesday	10:00 - 11:00 am	High School Counselors
12/12/2013 - Thursday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Financial Aid Administrators
12/16/2013 - Monday	10:00 - 11:00 am	High School Counselors
12/19/2013 - Thursday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Financial Aid Administrators
01/08/2014 – Wednesday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Financial Aid Administrators
01/09/2014 - Thursday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	High School Counselors
01/14/2014 - Tuesday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	High School Counselors
01/16/2014 - Thursday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Financial Aid Administrators
01/22/2014 - Wednesday	10:00 - 11:00 am	High School Counselors
01/23/2014 - Thursday	10:00 - 11:00 am	Financial Aid Administrators
01/29/2014 - Wednesday	10:00 - 11:00 am	High School Counselors
01/30/2014 - Thursday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Financial Aid Administrators
02/11/2014 - Tuesday	10:00 - 11:00 am	Financial Aid Administrators
02/13/2014 - Thursday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Financial Aid Administrators
02/19/2014 - Wednesday	10:00 - 11:00 am	High School Counselors
02/20/2014 - Thursday	10:00 - 11:00 am	High School Counselors
02/26/2014 - Wednesday	10:00 - 11:00 am	High School Counselors
02/27/2014 - Thursday	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Financial Aid Administrators

Access to the WebGrants System

To take full advantage of this training, we recommend that school staff not yet set up with a WebGrants account do so prior to the training session. To establish an account you will need to complete a *WebGrants Information Security and Confidentiality Agreement* and a *WebGrants System Administrator's Access Request Form*. There are separate forms for [colleges/universities](#) and [high schools](#) available on the Commission's website. Establishing a WebGrants account in advance will ensure that what was learned in the training session can be applied immediately.

The Commission's Technology Help Desk can be contacted at (888) 294-0148 to assist schools or district offices in setting up and logging into their WebGrants accounts.

If you have any questions regarding this Special Alert, please contact the Commission's School Support Services staff at (888) 294-0153 or via e-mail at schoolsupport@csac.ca.gov.

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