# Chafee Quick User Guide CSAC

Instructions to manage your payment roster.

Hello Financial Aid Officer,

To better assist you in managing your payment roster on WebGrants for Administrators website, we are providing a Quick User Guide with instructions such as how to certify a student's eligibility, confirm financial aid details, and request payments.

Currently, we are working on a Chafee Coordinator's Guide with information about the program and instructions on navigating WebGrants for Administrators. Stay tuned!

If you have any questions and/or need further assistance, please contact the Chafee team via email at chafee@csac.ca.gov or call 888-294-0153, option 3.

Sincerely,

California Student Aid Commission **Specialized Programs Unit** csac.ca.gov/colleges/chafee

# When to Work Your Payment Roster

Our system updates every Monday night, which means a new group of students is awarded based on our priority selection criteria.

What is Chafee?	Chafee Eligibility	Application Process	Awarding Process	More Information			
Awarding Pro	cess						
Student's complet priority selection c	ed applications are riteria:	sorted by application d	ate, and awards are o	offered based on the following			
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5. New and not	n-paid renewal stude	nts who have an unmet	need of less than \$5,0	000.			
** Students who have received a Chafee payment.							
Upon selection for an award, students are sent payment notifications for each term.							
The majority of Ch	nafee Grant awards are a av	initiated during the fall term vailable federal and state fu	n and additional awards a Inding each year.	are offered year round based on			

To maximize funding, you must certify both **eligible** and **ineligible** students.

You must certify eligibility and request payments (if eligible) <u>each</u> term. A good habit is to review your payment roster on a weekly basis, after Monday night.

Any award that is not certified after 30 days of the offer date will be recycled to the next student on our waiting list. See page 3 for additional details and learn how to put a student back into consideration for another award.

# View Your Payment Roster

1) After logging into your WebGrants for Administrators account, look for "Chafee Grant" on the right of the screen.



2) Then select "Payment Roster" under Chafee Grant Menu.



- 3) Your payment roster will show a list of all Chafee participating students with one of five award statuses:
  - Awarded: Student has a preliminary award and you can certify eligibility and request payment.
  - Not Awarded: Student is marked as ineligible by the school and will not be considered for an award. To reverse this action: If a student regains eligibility, remove the checkmark on the ineligible reason located on the Chafee -Payment Request screen. Then click SAVE. Once the student is re-awarded, a payment can be requested in the "Request Payment" field.
  - **Pending:** There is a recent pending transaction that will process on Monday evening. See page 6 for additional details.
  - Eligible, Not Awarded: Student is eligible but not awarded. The student has lower priority on the awarding hierarchy and will be Awarded as funds get recycled. See page 2 for additional details.
  - Paid in Full: Student has been paid for all eligible terms for the current academic year.

Payment Roster - Search Result for GROSSMONT COLLEGE (00120800)						
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0			SLATER	RAVEN	Awarded	08/23/2021
0			HUTCHINSON	AUBREY	Awarded	08/30/2021
ø		1	REYNOSA	ANGELINA	Eligible - Not Awarded	

4) You can filter the list of students using the "Award Status" filter

Filter	
Awarded	

- 5) Or, you can click on the column "Award Status."
- Award Status 🛧

# Certify Eligibility and/or Request Payment(s)

1) To access a specific student's record to certify their eligibility and/or request payment(s), click on the view icon to the left of the student's Dream Act ID/SSN.

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 This will take you to the "Chafee – Payment Request" page with four sections: Demographic Information, Reminders/Resources, 20-20xx Academic Year Data, and Request Payment – Open Terms: (Term Names).

Student Demographics			
School		CSAC ID	
Name		SSN	
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		Phone	
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	With Belatives	Other Aid*0	5
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	5 SP	Projected Award	\$ 5000
	su	Total Award Amount	1000
Education Level *	Fundament	Paid Award Amount	50,000
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Request Payment	- Open Terms: Fall		
Pay Fall Term - (07/23/	2021)		
Pay Winter Term - (11/	04/2021)		
Pay Spring Term - (01/	13/2022)		
Pay Summer Term - (05	5/18/2022)		
	Se	we Reset	

3) The 20xx-20xx Academic Year Data section has two sub-sections (A & B). Determine which subsection applies to the student and complete.

INELIGIBLE	(2021 - 2022 Ac	ademic Year Data)		
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Select only if th	e student is ineligible	for the entire academic yea	r. Then click SAVE.	
Not Enrolled	Not Enrolled HT	Graduated or Completed	Not Maintaining SAP	

SUB-SECTION A: Work this section only if you confirmed that the student is ineligible for the **entire academic year**. Then click SAVE. Do not proceed to the second section. Click for additional information and instructions.

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omplete if student is	ELIGIBLE				
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	<ul> <li>With Relatives</li> </ul>		Other Aid * 🕕	\$	
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	SP		Projected Award	s	5000
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ducation Level *	Freshman	~	Paid Award Amount	$\frown$	\$0
			Unpaid Award Amount		\$5,000

SUB-SECTION B: Work this section only if you confirmed one of the following:

- The student is eligible for term payment(s).
- The student is ineligible in current/previous term(s) but *may re-gain eligibility in the following term(s)*.
- 4) If the student is eligible for payment in any current or previous term(s), mark the appropriate box(es). Then click SAVE.



5) After you click SAVE, the student's Award Status will change from "Awarded" to "Pending." This is considered a "transaction." You can only complete one transaction, on a student record, per week.

As previously mentioned, our system updates every Monday night. If you complete a transaction on Thursday, the student's Award Status will change to "Pending." After the Monday night system update, it will change again to either:

- Awarded (the student has recently been awarded or if the student has <u>not</u> been paid for all eligible terms), OR
- Not Awarded (if you marked the student as ineligible for the entire academic year), OR
- Paid in Full (if the student has been paid for all eligible terms), OR
- **Eligible, Not Awarded** (if you recently removed a check mark from an ineligible reason to put the student back into re-consideration for an award)

View	Dream Act ID / SSN	CSAC ID	Last Name	First Name	Award Status	Award Status Date
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0			GREGORY	ANDREA Monday Nig System Upd	Pending ate	06/07/2021
Ø View	Dream Act ID / SSN	CSAC ID	GREGORY Last Name	ANDREA Monday Nig System Upd First Name	Pending ght ate Award Status	06/07/2021 Award Status Date

## Examples

This guide cannot provide instructions on all scenarios, but here are several examples of the most common student eligibility cases so you may get a gist of what actions you need to take on the Chafee – Payment Request page. Please contact the Chafee team if you need assistance.

**Case A**: Student is awarded in Fall 2019. He attends a 2-term school. He is currently enrolled in the Fall semester at least half-time, meets SAP, and has an unmet need. He is most likely to attend Spring semester and be eligible for payment.

## **ACTIONS TO TAKE**

- 1. School Programs: Do not alter.
- 2. Term(s) Attending: Ensure FL and SP term check boxes are marked.
- 3. Living Arrangements: Select one to indicate the student's living arrangement.
- 4. Educational Level: Select one.
- 5. Cost of Attendance: Enter amount. Click 🕦 for additional information and instructions.
- 6. **EFC/SAI:** Enter amount. ( f) for for additional information and instructions.
- 7. Other Aid: Enter amount. Click 🕦 for additional information and instructions.

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ELIGIBLE (2021 - 2	2022 Academic Year Data)					
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Living Arrangement	On Campus	Expected Family	\$ 0			
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	O With Relatives	Other Aid * 🕕	S			
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	WN	Unmet Need 🚯	\$ 23714			
	SP SP	Projected Award	\$ 5000			
	SU	Total Award Amount	\$5,000			
Education Level *	SELECT 🗸 🗸	Paid Award Amount	\$0			
	Select Education Leve	Unpaid Award Amount	\$5,000			

(continue to the next page for additional instructions)

- 8. Request Payment: Check the box on the right of "Pay Fall Term (07/23/2019)."
- 9. Select "SAVE".

Request Payment - Open Ter	ms: Fall, Winter		
Pay Fall Term - (07/23/2021)	<b>v</b>		
Pay Winter Term - (11/04/2021)			
Pay Spring Term - (01/13/2022)			
Pay Summer Term - (05/18/2022)			
		Save Reset	

Case B: Student is awarded in Fall 2021. She is not enrolled at your school.

## ACTIONS TO TAKE

- 1. Check the "Not Enrolled" ineligible reason box.
- 2. Select "SAVE".



**Case C:** Student, from Case B, officially enrolls at your school a few weeks later into the Fall semester. This is after you have marked her as ineligible (or "Not Enrolled") for the grant. She has contacted you regarding receiving her Chafee payment. You confirm that she is eligible for Fall term payment.

## **ACTIONS TO TAKE**

- 1. Remove the checkmark on the ineligible reason ("Not Enrolled").
- 2. Click "SAVE".
- 3. Re-visit the student's record after the following Monday\* to check if the student has been reawarded. Certify and request payment, if applicable.

\*See page 7 on why you must wait until after the following Monday.

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	Not Enrolled HT Graduated or Completed Not Maintaining SAP	

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	SU	11111111			\$5,000
Education Level *	SELECT	*	Paid Award Amount		\$0
		Select Education Level.	Unpaid Award Amount		\$5,000

**Case D:** Student is awarded at the end of the academic year in May. His school has three terms. He was ineligible for Fall and Winter term payments due to not making SAP requirement. But he is eligible in the current term – Spring.

#### ACTIONS TO TAKE

- 1. School Programs: Do not alter.
- 2. Term(s) Attending: Remove checkmarks from FL and WN. Ensure SP is still checked.

- 3. Living Arrangements: Select one to indicate the student's living arrangement.
- 4. Educational Level: Select one.
- 5. **Cost of Attendance:** Enter amount. Click ① for additional information and instructions.
- 6. **EFC/SAI:** Enter amount. (1) for for additional information and instructions.
- 7. **Other Aid:** Enter amount. Click ① for additional information and instructions. (continue to the next page for additional instructions)

INELIGIBLE (2021 - 2022 Academic Year Data)							
Complete if student is INELIGIBLE ()							
Select only if the student is ineligible for the entire academic year. Then click SAVE.							
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ELIGIBLE (2021 - 2022 Academic Year Data)

Complete if student is ELIGIBLE

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	SP 3		Projected Award	\$	5000
	SU		Total Award Amount		\$5,000
Education Level *	SELECT S	velect Education Level.	Paid Award Amount Unpaid Award Amount		\$0 \$5,000

- 8. Request Payment: Check the box on the right of "Pay Spring Term (01/13/2022)."
- 9. Select "SAVE".

Request Payment - Open Terr	ms: Fall, Winter		
Pay Fall Term - (07/23/2021) Pay Winter Term - (11/04/2021) Pay Spring Term - (01/13/2022) Pay Summer Term - (05/18/2022)		Why are these first two <b>check</b> <b>boxes shaded</b> ? See #4 on page 6 for more details.	
		Save	

## Disbursement

On Monday night the system will process all payment roster requests. That information will be packaged and sent over to the State Controller's Office (SCO) Tuesday morning. Institutions will either receive funds via electronic funds transfer (EFT) or paper warrant. If an institution already receives Cal Grant and or the Middle Class Scholarship via EFT, then Chafee funds will also be transmitted via EFT unless the school has opted out. This section of the guide will cover disbursement via EFT and the paper warrant process.

## **Disbursement via EFT:**

1. After payment requests have been packaged and sent to SCO, the institution will receive an email notifying them of the impending transfer two days before the transaction. This message will be sent to the institution's EFT coordinator and the institution's fiscal officer on file with The Commission.



2. Anyone with Chafee screen access will use the claim schedule number to identify that week's payees. Locate the Payment Reconciliation Screen under the Chafee section of WebGrants.



3. Once on the Institution Reconciliation screen please select "Recipients per Claim Schedule" under the Search Parameter, select the current academic year, and enter the claim schedule number from the e-mail. You will have the option to view the list of students on the screen, download a PDF, or export into CSV file.

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Total no of records: <b>2</b>				Download Student List (.pdf)	Export Report (.csv)
					Page 1 🗸 of 1

Student Records are displayed on the next section of the screen. Notice that the Warrant number is constant. Under EFT, a lump sum under one warrant number is sent to the institution's account on file. The warrant date will match the date from the EFT notification email.

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0	25	123456789	MORENO, (	CARLO G	2022	62-685819	\$2,500	10/07/2022	2022		
0	44	123456789	WILLIAM	S, DYNASTY A	2022	62-685819	\$2,500	10/07/2022	2022		
0	61	123456789	Bright	ITZEL	2022	62-685819	\$2,500	10/07/2022	2022		
0	53	123456789	Smith	, EMILIE R	2022	62-685819	\$2,500	10/07/2022	2022		
0	16	123456789	BRIGHT,	, ELIJAH A	2022	62-685819	\$2,500	10/07/2022	2022		
0	41	123456789	ROBINSON	. DEVIN M	2022	62-685819	\$2,500	10/07/2022	2022		

\*The claim schedule #22276581 displays those students whose funds were requested the prior week. Payment requests made this week will appear on next week's claim schedule.

4. Making Funds Available to the Student:

Institutions should update their cash management policy to include how Chafee EFT funds will be handled internally since the institutional office that receives Chafee funds may change.

Institutions will decide how to disburse EFT Chafee funds to students, such as: university check, debit card, Bank Mobile, applying the payment to the student's account, etc. As Chafee funds can be used for education related expenses besides tuition (rent, food, childcare, transportation), institutions should make Chafee funding directly available to the student. 5. After the funds have been disbursed to the student via the institution's preferred method, the chafee program coordinator should update the Chafee Institution Reconciliation screen with the date the funds were applied to the student and save the record.

Go back to Recipients per Claim Schedule and enter the Claim Schedule Number. Click on the eye icon to the left of the student's CSAC ID.

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Home > Chafee Grant > Institution Reconciliation			
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• 123 123456789 Last, First	2022 01-123456	\$1,666 01/27/2023	2022

6. A list of all payments for the student will be displayed. Locate the relevant record and enter the date the funds were made available to the student. In the example below the institution had Chafee EFT funds arrive on 1/27/23 at their bank on file with the Commission. These funds were applied to the student's account on 2/24/2023.

Name		Last, First ssn		SSN	9876543	21				
DOB		01/01/	2001		(	CSAC ID	123456	789		
Total no of r	ecords: <b>4</b>								Page 1 v	of
School ID 🖕	FY/AY 👙	Pmt Amt ⊜	Term 🍦	Claim Schedule 🍦	Issue Date 🍵	Warrant Number 🔶	Date School Pd Stdt	School Return Amount 👙	School Return Date	Re Co
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00131200	22/22	\$1,666	FL	22297661	10/28/2022	01-123456	11/22/2022		MM/DD/YYYY	
00131200	21/21	\$2,500	SP	22024761	01/28/2022	01-123456	)2/24/2022			
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## **Disbursement via Paper Warrant:**

1. After payment requests have been packaged and sent to SCO on Tuesday, paper warrants will be mailed out to the Chafee Coordinator's address on file. Instutions should expect the checks to arrive on campus within two to three weeks with additional time needed for the payments to arrive at the financial aid office. The checks are made to the student in care of the institution. Please alert the mail room that Chafee checks should be routed to the financial aid office.



2. When the checks arrive, please release them to the student following institutional policy. The student needs to be eligible at the time funds are disbursed. Chafee checks can be mailed to the student from the institution. The commission recommends sending the checks via certified mail should the student not be required to show up in person to receive payment. The Commission recommends making the funds directly available to the student. However, the check may be endorsed by the student, and handed back over to the institution for deposit as long as such procedures are allowed under your disbursement guidelines and the student's account is credited correctly. As Chafee can be used for things like food, rent, childcare and transportation all institutions are highly encouraged to make the funds directly available to the student.

2. After you have given the funds to the eligible student update the Institutional Reconciliation Screen. The chafee program coordinator should update the Chafee Institution Reconciliation screen with the date the funds were given to the student and save the record.

Go back to Recipients per Claim Schedule and enter the Claim Schedule Number. Click on the eye icon to the left of the student's CSAC ID.

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• 123 123	3456789 Last, First	2022	01-123456	\$1,666	01/27/2023	2022	

6. A list of all payments for the student will be displayed. Locate the relevant record and enter the date the funds were given to the student. In the example below the institution had a paper warrant issued on 1/27/23. The check was given to the student on 2/24/2023.

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## General Disbursement Guidelines:

Funds may be disbursed to a student if the student was eligible at the time Chafee funds were requested. However, Institutions should follow their internal disbursement policies.

# **Returning Funds to CSAC**

## **Returning Funds EFT**

If the student is found ineligible for payment at the time of disbursement by the institution, please do the following:

Return undisbursed Chafee EFT funds to CSAC within 30 business days of receipt.

Return funds via check. Institutions should mail a university check to the Commission with the following information for each student:

- Name and CSAC ID
- Term and amount being returned
- Reason the funds are being returned

Returned checks should be mailed to the following address:

California Student Aid Commission Chafee Grant Program P.O Box 41907 Rancho Cordova, CA 95741-9027

Return funds via wire transfer. Email <u>chafee@csac.ca.gov</u> and <u>AEAAccounting@csac.ca.gov</u> with the following information for each student:

- Name and CSAC ID
- Term and amount being returned
- Reason the funds are being returned

The Commission's accounting office will provide further information on how to return the funds electronically.

EFT funds that are returned will be recycled to make additional awards.

Schools report EFT funds return date and amount on Institution Reconciliation in WebGrants. Should the return date be unavailable on WebGrants. CSAC staff will update the record CSAC notifies students of returned EFT Funds.

## **Returning Funds Warrant Checks:**

If the student is found ineligible for payment at the time of disbursement by the institution, please do the following:

- Return undisbursed Warrant Check to CSAC within 30 business days of receipt.
- Institutions must indicate the reason for check return on remittance form\*.
- Institutions must also return checks for students that they are unable to locate for disbursement.
- Institutions must not deface returned checks (DO NOT WRITE VOID ON THE CHECK).

Checks that are returned will be recycled to make additional awards.

Schools report check return date and amount on Institution Reconciliation in WebGrants. CSAC notifies students of returned checks.



\*California Institutions should ensure that the student has exhausted all appeals relating to Satisfactory Academic Progress before returning funds due to, "not meeting SAP." More information on SAP and SB 150 is found below. Out of state institutions should follow their internal SAP policies.

## SAP and SB 150

SB 150 went into effect on January 1, 2020 and allows students to receive Chafee grants for up to two years before becoming ineligible due to not making Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). Colleges are responsible for implementing this provision by adapting their SAP policies accordingly. In addition, SB 150 requires that:

- CCCs and CSUs must provide (and UCs are requested to provide) all recipients, upon release of the first payment, with information regarding available support services on campus and the process for completing an educational plan.
- After one year of not meeting SAP, students must meet with an appropriate staff member to develop a plan for improving academic progress or update an existing plan in order to receive Chafee funds.
- Returning students who have been disenrolled for at least one term regain eligibility for the Chafee grant.
- Campuses must offer a specific appeal process for students who have lost the Chafee grant due to not making SAP.

Per statute, an "institution shall automatically reinstate a student's Chafee grant eligibility" if one of the following applies:

- The student achieves either a 2.0 GPA during the previous semester or quarter, or other applicable term, or a cumulative GPA of 2.0, even if the student did not meet the institution's satisfactory academic progress policy requirements.
- The student demonstrates the existence of an extenuating circumstance that impeded successful course completion in the past but that has since been addressed such that the student is likely to demonstrate satisfactory academic progress in the future.
- The student provides evidence of engagement with a supportive program, either on or offcampus, that is assisting the student to make continued academic progress."