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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO:

Financial Aid Administrators High School Counselors

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SUBJECT: 2016-17 California Chafee Foster Youth Grant Program Update

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) announces updates to the Chafee Foster Youth Grant Program (Chafee Program). The Commission ran the first 2016-17 award cycle on July 18, 2016 which provided 2,269 students with an award offer. Since then additional award cycles have been processed.

2016-17 Chafee Award and Processing Update

- The Commission will make additional awards as soon as the contract with the California Department of Social Services for the \$3 million augmentation has been approved and signed.
- Students awarded on the July 18th cycle who have not been certified as eligible will become ineligible.
 - Award status for these students will change to "Not Awarded Ineligible" and they will remain on the payment roster.
 - These awards will be reprocessed for eligible students to ensure that the maximum number of awards are utilized.
 - A separate notification was sent to students to encourage them to follow up on their Chafee award
- If an ineligible student becomes eligible at a later time, the institution must update their status using the payment roster.
- Additional information on the Chafee Program is available in the <u>Chafee Coordinator's Guide</u>.

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