



OPERATIONS MEMO

Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: **New 2016-17 Competitive Cal Grant Award Offers**

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update to the 2016-17 Competitive Cal Grant Award offers.

In an effort to increase the participation rate for eligible students, the Commission is offering new 2016-17 Competitive Awards to the next cohort of eligible students.

- A total of 9,412 newly eligible students were offered a 2016-17 Competitive Award
- 19,419 (75.4%) of the 25,750 authorized Competitive awards have been paid to date

Our goal is to have 100% of offered Competitive awardees paid. We will continue to monitor the paid rate to ensure that payments do not exceed the 25,750 Competitive awards for this academic year.

- Institutions are advised to customize their WebGrants roster to identify these newly awarded students for payment posting.
- An on-demand "[Customizing Your School's Cal Grant Roster](#)" training module is available on the Webinar Trainings screen under "Colleges" at www.csac.ca.gov.

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