



SPECIAL ALERT

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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: **2023-24 Competitive Cal Grant Awards – Important Update**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update on the Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards. The Commission is close to reaching a 100% paid rate for the 2023-24 academic year and requests institutions to disburse Cal Grant funds to any remaining eligible competitive students.

Per California Education Code [Section 69437\(b\)](#), the Commission is authorized to pay 13,000 Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards.

- As of March 25, 2024, 12,783 Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards have been paid to eligible students.
- The remaining 217 Competitive awards will be processed on a first come first served basis. If the Commission reaches a 100% paid rate and there are payments in excess of the 13,000 authorized payable awards, it will back out the payments that are in excess and notify schools accordingly.
- Commission staff will continue to monitor closely the paid rate and remaining competitive awards and will provide additional updates as necessary.

Thank you for your support and efforts in maximizing the utilization of all available Competitive Cal Grant awards for the 2023-24 academic year.

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