



# Cal Grant Regional Training

## CSAC Updates

**Training and Outreach Unit  
California Student Aid Commission**

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## Agenda

- ❖ CSAC Updates
- ❖ Institutional Eligibility
- ❖ Cal Grant Overview
- ❖ California Dream Act Application
- ❖ Disbursements and Payments
- ❖ Payment Scenarios
- ❖ Navigating WebGrants
- ❖ Reports and Tools
- ❖ Reconciliation and Program Compliance
- ❖ Foster Youth Programs/Chafee
- ❖ Middle Class Scholarship

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# Icons

Throughout this presentation, you will notice these icons. They are there to let you know of additional resources that are available for you. These resources can be found on the Commission's website or in your WebGrants portal.



**Training Video Icon:** There are additional training videos found on the Commission's website.



**User Guide Icon:** There are detailed user guides to walk you through the different processes found on the Commission's website and your WebGrants portal.



**Resource Icon:** There are additional resources found in the Resources Document for Regional Training.



**Webinar Icon:** There are additional live webinars that you can sign up for.

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## 2020 Cal Grant Regional Trainings

Cal Grant Regional Trainings have gone from 2-day trainings to 1-day trainings in 2020

Thirteen events to date in Southern California, Northern California and the Bay Area

Supplemental training materials have been created, including approximately 15 video trainings

- Friday, February 28 – MTI College - Sacramento, CA
- Friday, March 27 – Palo Alto University - Los Altos, CA
- Friday, April 24 – Cypress College - Cypress, CA
- Friday, May 15 - San Diego Christian College - Santee, CA
- Friday, May 29 - California Baptist University - Riverside, CA
- Friday, June 12 – Ventura College -Ventura, CA
- Friday, June 26 - L.A. Mission College - Sylmar, CA
- Monday, June 15 - UC Berkeley - Berkeley, CA
- Friday, July 10 - Asher College - Sacramento CA
- Friday, July 31 - Santa Clara University - Santa Clara, CA
- Tuesday, August 11 - Pierce College - Woodland Hills, CA
- Wednesday, October 28 - Coast Community College District - Costa Mesa, CA
- Friday, November 6 - University of Redlands - Redlands, CA

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# Cal Grant Regional Training Videos

- Gaining and Providing Access in WebGrants
- Cal Grant A, B, and C
- California Dream Act Application: A closer look
- Award Status Extract Process
- Reports and Tools: Customizing Your Roster
- Cal Grant Payment Reporting, Batch Upload, and Online Roster
- Grant Record Changes
- Non-SSN GPA Text File for Batch Upload
- Maintenance Codes
- Ineligible Codes
- Codes: O, NS, SR
- Codes: PD, FT, TT, HT and LH
- Program Compliance Scenarios: Cal Grant Funds Over Awarded, Transfer Entitlement Eligibility, SAP Not in Compliance with Title IV, Incorrect Cal Grant Payments due to enrollment status and/or term, AB 540 Affidavit
- Program Compliance Scenario: Cal Grant C



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# 2020 Cal Grant Regional Trainings



**Online resources  
are available**

- All PowerPoint modules (PDF version)
- All Cal Grant Regional Training Videos (short, topical supplemental videos for Cal Grant Regional Training)
- Additional links to other, available resources
- Updates and more resources forthcoming

<https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/2020-cal-grant-regional-training>

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# Grant Delivery System Modernization Project



The new Grant Delivery System Modernization Project (GDSM) will replace CSAC's WebGrants System with a more robust and improved user-friendly system

The initial phase (WebGrants 4 Students) has been launched. Subsequent updates are forthcoming.

- ✓ **New WebGrants for Student's portal – Complete!**
- ✓ **Updated Chafee Grant Screens – Complete!**
- ✓ **Updated California Dream Act Application – Complete!**

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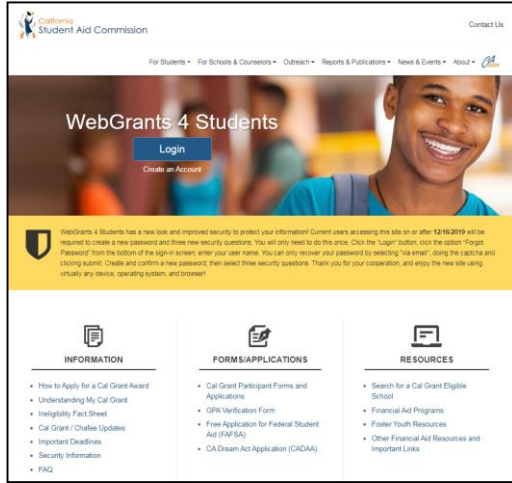
# New WebGrants 4 Students Site



Replaces the previous version of WebGrants 4 Students.

Easier to navigate with more robust security features.

Compatible with virtually any device, browser and operating system.



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# New Student Landing Page

- Summary and detailed Cal Grant application and award data is easily accessible on the Student Landing Page
- “Cards” that contain summary data, color indicators for application status, “To Do List” items to be completed, and quick editing of School of Attendance
- “Panels” for Cal Grant, Middle Class Scholarship, and Chafee Grant conveniently located on one page



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HOME WEB GRANTS CAL GRANTS CASH FOR COLLEGE CAL DREAM ACT FAFSA

## CALIFORNIA CHAFEE GRANT FOR FOSTER YOUTH

Free Money for Foster Youth for College or Career Training

What is Chafee? Chafee Eligibility Application Process Awarding Process More Information

If you are or were in foster care for at least one day, between the ages of 16 and 18 as a dependent or ward of the court and have financial need, you may qualify for up to \$5,000 a year for career and technical training or college. You don't have to pay this money back. You may also be able to use your grant to help pay for child care, transportation and rent while you're in school. You can use your Chafee Grant at any eligible California college or university or career or technical school, as well as schools in other states.

<h3>IMPORTANT DATE</h3> <p>Online Chafee Application, FAFSA, and CA Dream Act Application opens in October</p> <p><a href="#">Start Chafee Application</a></p>	<h3>REQUIREMENTS</h3> <p>The following forms <b>must</b> be submitted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Free Application for Federal Student Aid or CA Dream Act Application</li><li>Chafee Grant Application (for first time applicants only)</li></ul>	<h3>INFORMATION CHANGE</h3> <p>Name Change? If so, complete the <a href="#">Chafee Grant Update/Change Form</a></p> <p>New school, mailing address or phone number change? <a href="#">Manage your WebGrants for Students account 24/7</a></p>
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## CA DREAM ACT

1) To apply for a Cal Grant submit a California Dream Act Application by March 2.  
2) Due to scheduled site maintenance, the on-line California Dream Act Application will be unavailable every Wednesday and Sunday from 11:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. (PST). We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

NEW		
<b>FIRST TIME USER</b>	<b>RETURNING USER</b>	<b>PARENT SIGNATURE</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• New to the CA Dream Act?</li><li>• Start a New application</li><li>• Do not submit multiple applications</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Renew your application</li><li>• Submit a saved application</li><li>• Make a correction or add a school to your application</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Request a parent PIN</li><li>• Forgot your parent PIN?</li><li>• Sign the student application</li></ul>
<a href="#">Start</a>	<a href="#">Login</a>	<a href="#">Submit</a>

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# New Programs for Dreamers



California Dreamer Service Incentive Program



California DREAM Loan Program for graduate degree programs



New List-Serv topic now available: *“CA Dream Act Application and related updates – College/Dreamer Resource Administrators”*

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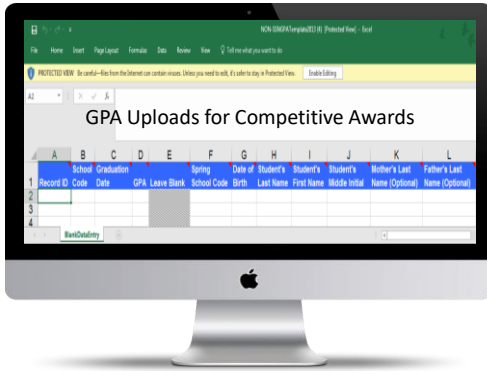
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# Dream Act students now eligible for competitive awards



## SSN GPA Upload

- Use Dream Act ID in field for SSN

## Non-SSN GPA Upload

- Can be used for all students (FASFA and CADAA students)

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## Cal Grant Awards for Students with Dependent Children



- AY 2019 Students with Dependent Children: 48,107

	Cal Grant A	Cal Grant B	Cal Grant C
<b>Unconfirmed</b>	484	21,546	1,177
<b>Confirmed Yes</b>	439	20,957	2,258
<b>Confirmed No</b>	52	1,102	92
<b>Total Awarded</b>	975	43,605	3,527

- To be eligible for the increased access award the student must be attending a public (California) institution
- Cal Grant students with the SWD system indicator now appear on the schools' roster in WebGrants with the maximum award amount
- As schools/students complete the SWD certification, the payment hold is removed immediately and the record is ready for payment
- 48,107 - number of students have been paid under the SWD program for 2019-20 academic year to date

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Are you seeking to become a credentialed teacher in California?



Apply now for this new educational funding opportunity in California.

# Golden State Teacher Grant Program

- The Golden State Teacher Grant Program encourages students to consider earning a teaching credential and teach in a high-need field
- The California Student Aid Commission will award \$20,000 Golden State Teacher Grants to over 4,400 eligible students across California
- Applicants must agree to all terms and conditions of the GSTG program or be required to repay the grant, including committing to teach in a “high-need field” at a “priority school” for four years, within five years after graduation from the teacher preparation program

For more information contact the Golden State teacher Grant Program at: [goldenstateteachers@csac.ca.gov](mailto:goldenstateteachers@csac.ca.gov) or [www.csac.ca.gov/goldenstateteachers](http://www.csac.ca.gov/goldenstateteachers)

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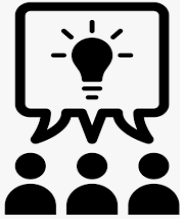
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## Cal Grant Reform Items being considered

CSAC is planning on sharing work-group recommendations sometime around March 2020

Many items/changes are currently being discussed

There is NO NEW passed legislation at this point

- Consolidate Cal Grant A, B, and C awards of the Cal Grant Program and the Middle Class Scholarship Program into one program
- Remove or reduce grade point average, high school completion, and similar eligibility and access barriers in the current Cal Grant Program
- Change the model of the Cal Grant Program to focus on the total cost of attendance, including maintaining full coverage of tuition and systemwide fees for public college and university students
- Reinststate a formula for an annual adjustment to the maximum Cal Grant award for students who attend private nonprofit institutions
- Support additional Cal Grant eligibility for students taking summer coursework

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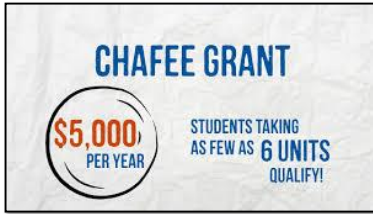
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# SB 150 Chafee Grant Satisfactory Academic Progress relaxation



<https://chafee.csac.ca.gov/>

- Relaxes Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) requirements for students receiving a Chafee Grant, requiring these students to receive extended academic counseling before their aid is withdrawn
- The goal of SB 150 is to increase the rate of college retention and completion among current and former foster youth in California by improving access to the Chafee Education and Training Voucher
- In California, foster youth are 29% less likely than non foster youth to persist at least one year in Community College

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# Middle Class Scholarship User Guide



- We are producing a comprehensive Middle Class Scholarship User Guide
- A communication from CSAC will go out when this user guide is completed and available

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