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California Student Aid Commission Issues Statements on 2008-09 Budget

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA—Executive Director, Diana Fuentes-Michel of the California Student Aid Commission today issued the following statements in response to the 2008-09 Budget:

“The Commission is grateful that the Legislature and Governor has agreed to uphold the State's commitment to our college students by funding the Cal Grant Entitlement and Competitive Grant programs.

“In this Budget, our State leaders have provided funding for the Chafee program for foster and former foster youth. Thanks to their leadership, these students will have the opportunity to attend college or vocational school.

“The Commission intends to expedite processes to ensure the more than 293,000 Cal Grant and 2,070 Chafee award offers and other specialized programs are processed within 7-10 days.”

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