



OPERATIONS MEMO

Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: 2015-16 Cal Grant March 2 Competitive Awards

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update on the processing of the 2015-16 Cal Grant March 2 Competitive awards.

- Over 155,824 financially eligible applicants were considered for 11,250 March 2 Competitive awards.
- Applicants with a score of 804 or above were offered a Competitive Cal Grant.
- The scoring matrix for the 2015-16 award year was revised in the 2014-15 academic year to reflect a maximum possible applicant score of 1000 points.
- The current scoring matrix is available on the Commission's website.
- Competitive Cal Grant offered awardees were notified by e-mail and advised to use WebGrants for Students for further information on their Cal Grant status.

To ensure that all eligible students receive their Cal Grant awards and to assist in advising students –

- View a breakdown of your students' Cal Grant scores by selecting the "Score Detail" button on the Student Award Detail screen on WebGrants.
- Identify students who are not attending your campus or are not eligible for the Cal Grant on the WebGrants payment rosters. Refer to the Cal Grant Pay Codes User Guide in the WebGrants Help Center.
- The Commission will monitor rosters regularly to identify students without payments or other transactions.
- Additional communications will be sent to eligible students to remind them of their Cal Grant awards and steps to take to get payment processed.

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