



OPERATIONS MEMO

Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: **New 2015-16 March 2 Competitive Award Offers**

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.

- Pursuant to [GSA 2015-25](#), published on July 2, 2015, the number of Competitive Cal Grant awards increased from 22,500 to **25,750**, therefore, the Commission issued additional award offers to the next cohort of eligible students.
- A total of 1,625 newly eligible students were offered a March 2 Competitive award.
- The 2015-16 Competitive Cal Grant scoring has been reduced from 804 to 798.
- Applicants with a score of 798 or above were offered a Competitive Cal Grant.
- The Commission advises institutions to look for these newly awarded students on their school rosters for payment postings.

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