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TO: Financial Aid Administrators
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SUBJECT: WebGrants Updates for 2016-17 ISIR Changes

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) announces updates to the WebGrants system. In compliance with new Federal Institutional Student Information Record (ISIR) layout requirements, the information displayed in WebGrants on the California Aid Report (CAR) and California Institutional Student Information Record (Cal ISIR) has changed.

Starting in 2016-17, the US Department of Education is changing the delivery of Federal School Code information to schools.

- Institutions will only receive ISIRs that include their Federal School Code. All other Federal School Code and Housing Code positions on the ISIR will be blank.

- The Student Aid Report (SAR) is available from the Dream Act ISIR search screen in WebGrants and will only display the information of the institution viewing the report. Institutions listed on the SAR will appear in the order listed by the Dream Act student. For example, if the Dream Act student lists an institution as #3 on the CA Dream Act Application, Institution #3 will be listed in row #3 and the other school choice fields will be blank.

- The Commission is working on making enhancements to the 2017-18 CA Dream Act Application so that schools will be listed and viewed as #1, regardless of the order that the student listed the institution on their application.

- The CAR from the Student Info menu in WebGrants will only display the first Institution the student listed. Institutions will no longer be able to view a student’s top three schools. Institutions will only have access to view the awarding campus on the CAR. This applies to all student records.

- Institutions will only be able to view the Cal ISIR correction screen and CA Dream ISIRs report if their school’s code is listed on the CA Dream Act application. The School and Housing codes will be displayed in the first position.

- Students will continue to view the schools they have selected.

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