

## **OPERATIONS MEMO**



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## **Update from the California Student Aid Commission**

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TO: College Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: New 2021-22 Competitive Cal Grant Award Offers

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update to the 2021-22 Competitive Cal Grant Award offers.

As announced in <u>GSA 2022-19</u> and in an effort to increase the participation rate for eligible students, the Commission recycled unpaid competitive awards on March 31, 2022, and has now offered new 2021-22 awards to the next cohort of eligible students.

- A total of 3,760 newly eligible students have been offered a 2021-22 competitive award.
- 11,068 (85%) of the 13,000 authorized competitive awards have been paid to date.

Our goal is to have 100% of competitive awards paid by June 30, 2022. We will continue to monitor the paid rate to ensure that payments do not exceed the 13,000 competitive awards for this academic year.

- Institutions are advised to customize their WebGrants roster to identify these newly awarded students for payment purposes.
- The <u>Customizing Roster Training Video</u> provides brief instruction on customizing your roster.
- Institutions may use the Cal Grant Award Status Extract (ASE) process to identify their Cal Grant eligible students. The ASE process runs on a weekly basis. The ASE procedure and file specifications can be found under the "Help" Menu in WebGrants.

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