

# **OPERATIONS MEMO**



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

### September 26, 2023

GOM 2023-34

TO: High School Counselors

FROM: Tae Kang

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#### SUBJECT: Final Reminder: GPA Submission for the Class of 2024

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update to <u>GOM 2023-23</u> regarding the electronic submission of Non-SSN Grade Point Averages (GPA) for the class of 2024. Although the GPA submission deadline for the class of 2024 is **October 1, 2023,** the Commission will continue to accept GPAs after the October 1 deadline and assist high schools and school districts with their GPA submissions.

- As of September 26, 2023, **15.4%** of public and private high schools have submitted GPAs for the class of 2024. The Commission appreciates those schools that have already submitted their students' GPAS.
  - Schools are also encouraged to upload GPAs for students who graduated in 2023, as this may help those students qualify for a Cal Grant if they did not qualify the previous award year.
  - o GPAs for the class of 2024 and class of 2023 must be uploaded as separate files.
  - o GPAs for different schools must be uploaded as separate files.

# 2024-25 Financial Aid Applications Delayed

As communicated in <u>GSA 2023-27</u>, the opening of the 2024-25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and California Dream Act Application (CADAA) will be delayed from October 1 to December 2023. Other important changes will be taking place on both financial aid applications, including a new formula to calculate student need and financial aid eligibility.

- GPAs are required for students to receive Cal Grant award consideration. Commission staff anticipates sending Cal Grant award notifications to students in January or February 2024 once students begin submitting their FAFSA and CADAA applications in December 2023.
- For further assistance with the GPA upload process, please visit our <u>GPA Tools webpage</u> to view user guides and submission information. You can also view our "Uploading HS GPAs" training video on our <u>Training Videos webpage</u>. Individual assistance by phone and email is also available.

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