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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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## SUBJECT: 2015-16 Cal Grant Fall Term Advance - Update

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update on the 2015-16 Cal Grant fall term advance.

- The 2015 fall term advance was processed using the 50 percent factor of the previous year's reconciled term amount.
- Institutions will have full access to their Cal Grant roster through WebGrants beginning Tuesday, August 18, 2015.
- The California State Controller's Office and the State Treasurer's Office notified the Commission that funds will be electronically delivered to campuses on **Friday, August** 21, 2015.

#### Cal Grant Leave of Absence

- With the opening of the 2015-16 roster, Institution submitted Leave of Absence (LA) requests for newly awarded Competitive Cal Grant A/B students will no longer be accepted as approved at the April 16-17, 2015 Commission Meeting.
- The Adjustment Reason Code 'LA' option will be removed from the online WebGrants roster for these students only.
- Any transactions of LA for newly awarded competitive students sent by Institutions via batch file, will be rejected.
- The Commission will continue to receive and process student-initiated LA requests for all types of students including newly awarded competitive students.
- All other roster options and functionality will remain the same.

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