



SPECIAL ALERT

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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: **2016-17 Competitive Cal Grant Awards – Update**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) reports on the limited remaining payable Competitive Cal Grant Awards and provides instructions to institutions on how to request new payments.

Competitive Cal Grant Award Update

Per California Education Code 69437(b), the Commission is authorized each academic year to pay 25,750 Competitive Cal Grants.

- As of June 27, 2017, 25,524 Competitive awardees have been paid, totaling a 99.1% paid rate. This leaves 226 awards available to be paid to eligible students.
- 4,170 students are potentially eligible for new payments, requiring Commission staff to closely monitor the remaining payments.
 - These potentially eligible students did not have a transaction posted and have been withdrawn to prevent over awarding.
- Only 226 of the 4,170 withdrawn students may be reinstated for payment.

New Payment Requests

To make any new payments for a 2016-17 Competitive Cal Grant award, schools **must call** Institutional Support at 1-888-294-0153.

- Reinstatement of withdrawn students is on a **First Come First Served Basis** beginning today, June 27, 2017.
- Schools must call Institutional Support to process these transactions.

Need to contact us?

- Institutional Support phone number: (888) 294-0153
- E-mail: schoolsupport@csac.ca.gov

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