



SPECIAL ALERT

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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: County and District Superintendents
High School Principals
High School Counselors

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SUBJECT: **2018-19 FAFSA/CADAA Race to Submit Winners**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) is pleased to announce the winners of the 2018-19 Race to Submit statewide campaign; aimed to increase the number of high school seniors who complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and California Dream Act Application (CADAA). The Commission hereby recognizes the 35 high schools with the highest completion rates in the state of California.

- The campaign took place between October 1, 2017, and the March 2, 2018, Cal Grant deadline; encouraging a friendly competition between California public high schools to increase 2018-19 FAFSA/CADAA submissions.
- The [Race to Submit Dashboard](#) tracked submission and completion rates of FAFSAs/CADAAAs, as well as the number of Cal Grant award offers per high school.
- Winners represent the top five high schools across seven tiers based on student population. For purposes of the Race to Submit competition, the Commission used the certified October census enrollment data as reported by the California Department of Education which may differ from current enrollment counts.
- The winners will be invited to participate in the Race to Submit award ceremony that will take place in Sacramento, in October 2018. Each winning school will be honored with a Race to Submit banner to commemorate their accomplishment.

The Commission thanks all public high schools that participated in this year's Race to Submit, and honors high school counselors, teachers and administrators for positively impacting the lives of California students. The Commission looks forward to celebrating the 2018-19 winners and encourages all superintendents, presidents, and school counselors to prepare for the upcoming 2019-20 Race to Submit for the continued success of your students.

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Enclosure: 2018-19 Race to Submit Leaderboard Winners

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