



SPECIAL ALERT

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TO: High School Counselors

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SUBJECT: **2019-20 Race to Submit Campaign**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) invites all California public high schools and districts to join the statewide **Race to Submit** campaign that encourages students to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application (CADAA) for the 2019-20 academic year.

Race to Submit Dashboard

The [Race to Submit Online Dashboard Tool](#) (Dashboard) tracks the number of FAFSAs and CADAAs completed by the senior class at the high school, district, county, and state level between October 1, 2018, and the March 2, 2019 Cal Grant deadline.

- The Dashboard can be easily accessed through the Commission's homepage and schools are encouraged to utilize its various reporting features to monitor the number of applications received, along with the number of Cal Grant awards offered to their students.
- The Dashboard also offers the ability to compare the current 2019-20 award year data with the 2018-19 data.
- The Race to Submit Online Dashboard Tool provides weekly progress updates of the following data:
 - ✓ FAFSAs/CADAAs submitted but not completed
 - ✓ FAFSA/CADAA completion rates
 - ✓ Number and percentage of FAFSAs/CADAAs matched to corresponding GPAs
 - ✓ Cal Grant awards offered
- The Commission is currently working on the Race to Submit Leaderboard (Leaderboard) for the class of 2019. The Leaderboard will become available in the next few weeks with more details on this year's competition.
- View the [Race to Submit Resource Guide](#) for more information.

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