

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: WebGrants Access for High Schools and Equivalent Schools

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) reminds all public, WASC accredited high schools and equivalent schools to apply for WebGrants access if their site does not have an account.

- 94 percent of all public high schools and their equivalents currently have WebGrants access to upload GPAs for their graduating students and monitor students who have submitted and completed a FAFSA or California Dream Act Application.
- The Commission would like to encourage the remaining 6 percent to also request WebGrants access so that they too may upload GPAs (if applicable) or assist students in submitting test scores for conversion (if applicable), and monitor students who have submitted and completed a FAFSA or California Dream Act Application. Some of the sites that may not have an account include:
 - $_{\circ}$ Juvenile court schools
 - Please note "A student is not considered to be incarcerated... if they are under the jurisdiction of the juvenile justice system in a juvenile facility." (Cal Grant Handbook pg. 28)
 - \circ Alternative schools
 - \circ Continuation schools
- The Commission would also like to encourage all WASC accredited private schools to apply for WebGrants access to better support their students in accessing financial aid opportunities.
- A site interested in applying should watch this short video and apply using the forms accessed on the CSAC website.

We appreciate your support in making higher education financially accessible for all students.

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