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## Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: **2020-21 Middle Class Scholarship Update**

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This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update on the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) program.

### **2020-21 Enrollment and Payment Process**

- The Commission will stop accepting new 2020-21 MCS enrollment files after **Friday, April 16, 2021**. An exception will be made on a case-by-case basis to reinstate students inadvertently dropped from a roster.
- The current MCS budget allocation for the 2020-21 academic year was surpassed with this week's disbursements. Beginning this week, MCS claim schedules may be placed on-hold.
- Campuses impacted by these payment holds will be notified on a weekly basis.

### **2020-21 Reconciliation Process**

- Institutions are reminded of the importance to continuously check for students in a recertify status as part of their reconciliation process.
- Institutions can identify students that are in a recertify status by checking the 'Recertify only' box on the 'MCS Display Roster' screen.
- Campuses are urged to review and process MCS payments/corrections as quickly as possible and on a regular basis, since the funding and associated payments for the program are being closely monitored.

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