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## **Update from the California Student Aid Commission**

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: Amendment to Proposed Cal Grant Program Appeal Process and Appeal Criteria

The California Student Aid Commission (Commission) is proposing to establish a voluntary appeal process and appeal criteria for qualifying institutions participating in the Cal Grant Program, as set forth in Education Code Section 69432.7 (I)(3)(I)(iv). The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the originally proposed regulations was published in the Office of Administrative Law's California Notice Register on November 27, 2020. The 45-day comment period for the regulations ended on January 13, 2021 and the Commission adopted the rulemaking package on January 21, 2021.

The Commission has issued a 15-Day Public Notice for amendments to the proposed regulations. A copy of the Amended Proposed Regulation, Addendum Initial Statement of Reasons, and Notice documents are available on the Commission's website at the following link: <a href="https://www.csac.ca.gov/proposed-regulations-rulemaking-documents">https://www.csac.ca.gov/proposed-regulations-rulemaking-documents</a>

The amendments to the proposed regulations:

- Changes 'may' to 'will' regarding the consideration of specific factors by Commission staff in its evaluation of a submitted appeal.
- Adds how and when the Commission will notify institutions of their appeal status following the submission of a complete appeal package.

A public hearing regarding this proposal is currently not scheduled. However, any interested person or duly authorized representative may request, any time during the 15-day comment period, for a public hearing to be scheduled.

All written comments must be RECEIVED no later than 5:00 P.M. on August 13, 2021, in order to be considered. Written comments received after that time will be added to the rulemaking file, but the Commission is not obligated to consider or respond to late comments.

Comments may also be submitted by fax at (916) 464-8033 or by e-mail to <a href="mailto:Rulemaking@csac.ca.gov">Rulemaking@csac.ca.gov</a>. The public comment period for this regulatory action opened on July 29, 2021. Comments must be submitted before 5:00 P.M. on August 13, 2021 to be considered.

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