



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: **California Chafee Grant Program Year End Reconciliation Deadline**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) reminds schools of the reconciliation deadline for the California Chafee Grant Program (Chafee Program).

2020-21 Remaining Funds

- As of August 24, 2021, CSAC has awarded \$18,843,214 for 2020-21 which includes funding from the federal COVID relief package, HR 133, P.L. 116-260 (as mentioned in [GSA-2021-15](#)). Please continue to work your rosters to provide as much of these funds as possible to Chafee eligible students. Any funds remaining after September will be added to the 2021-22 award funds. Let's work together to maximize the utilization of available funds to assist eligible foster youth.
- Institutions are required to review their Payment Roster on [WebGrants](#) weekly to certify and request payments for all eligible Chafee students. The Chafee payment cycle is run on Monday nights. Institutions should review their rosters on Tuesdays.

Non-Disbursed Chafee Checks

- All non-disbursed checks must be returned to the Commission within 30 business days of receipt. This will allow the Commission to maximize the utilization of available Chafee funds.
- Complete the form attached to the check and do not void the check. Return both to:

California Student Aid Commission
PO BOX 419027
Rancho Cordova, CA 95741-9027

2020-21 Institutional Reconciliation

- The last 2020-21 *Chafee payment cycle* will be processed on **September 20, 2021**.
**The last time our system will award students based on the priority selection criteria.*
- Institutions are required to update their *Institution Reconciliation* screen to report all disbursed and returned checks by **September 30, 2021**.

Need to contact us?

- The Commission's Chafee team is available if you need assistance or have questions: chafee@csac.ca.gov / (888)294-0153

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