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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: High School Counselors
Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: **Virtual Training Events**

The California Student Aid Commission (Commission) announces upcoming training webinars and virtual workshops.

Annual Statewide Financial Aid Workshops

Last virtual workshops in the 2021-22 series covering information about the Cal Grant program and recent expansion, the California Dream Act Application, and the California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant among others. For more information, visit: <https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/2021-annual-statewide-financial-aid-workshops>

Audience: high school counselors, advisors, student advocacy groups, outreach specialists and community education partners.

Upcoming workshops

- Thursday, January 13, 2022: 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM [Register for this workshop](#)
- Tuesday, January 25, 2022: 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM [Register for this workshop](#)
- Monday, February 7, 2022: 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM [Register for this workshop](#)

Cal Grant Regional Trainings

Geared toward newer financial aid administrators who need additional Cal Grant instruction and help to better navigate the WebGrants system; as well as experienced college financial aid administrators who want a Cal Grant refresher course and any recent updates.

Audience: College financial aid professionals.

Upcoming sessions

Session A: CSAC Updates, Institutional Eligibility, Cal Grant Overview, and California Dream Act Application. (Estimated 2.5–3 hours)

- Tuesday, February 8, 2022: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM [Register for this session](#)
- Wednesday, April 6, 2022: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM [Register for this session](#)

Session B: Disbursements and Payments, Payment Scenarios, Navigating WebGrants, Reports and Tools, Reconciliation and Program Compliance. (Estimated 2-2.5 hours)

- Wednesday, February 9, 2022: 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM [Register for this session](#)
- Thursday, April 7, 2022: 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM [Register for this session](#)

Session C: Foster Youth Programs and Middle Class Scholarship. (Estimated 1.5-2 hours)

- Thursday, February 10, 2022: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM [Register for this session](#)
- Friday, April 8, 2022: 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM [Register for this session](#)

Upcoming Webinars

- **Cal Grant 101** for high school counselors and financial aid administrators
 - Thursday, January 06, 2022: 10:00 AM- 11:30 AM [Register for this webinar](#)
- **California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant Program Overview** for high school counselors and financial aid administrators
 - Tuesday, January 11, 2022: 2:00 PM- 3:15 PM [Register for this webinar](#)
- **CA Dream Act Application- Avoiding Common Pitfalls** for high school counselors and financial aid administrators
 - Friday, January 21, 2022: 10:00 AM-11:30 AM [Register for this webinar](#)
- **NEW! Community College Entitlement Cal Grant Program** for financial aid administrators
 - Wednesday, January 26, 2022: 2:00 PM- 3:15 PM [Register for this webinar](#)

Cash for College Workshops for Students and Parents

The Commission is hosting English and English/Spanish bilingual statewide Cash for College workshops to assist students and families with completing the FAFSA or CADAA, and Chafee Grant for Foster Youth applications prior to the March 2 priority deadline.

- Wednesday, January 12, 2022: 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM [Register for this workshop](#)
- Wednesday, January 26, 2022: 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM [Register for this workshop](#)
- Wednesday, February 9, 2022: 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM [Register for this workshop](#)

Train the Trainer Workshops for Cash for College Hosts

These workshops are designed to give campus financial aid personnel and community partner hosts all the tools they need to host their own Cash for College workshops.

- Friday, February 4, 2022: 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM [Register here](#)
- Friday, March 11, 2022: 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM [Register here](#)

Need to contact us?

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