

SPECIAL ALERT



STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: High School Counselors

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SUBJECT: Hybrid Cash for College Webinars in Partnership with the California

Student Aid Commission

The California Student Aid Commission (Commission) invites high schools to partner with the Commission to co-host hybrid <u>Cash for College</u> webinars. These webinars provide information to help students and families complete the 2024-25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application (CADAA). Given the unprecedented changes to the upcoming financial aid cycle, it's important the Commission works directly with high schools in ensuring students and their families are informed on the upcoming changes to the FAFSA and CADAA.

We will have financial aid experts answering questions throughout each Cash for College webinar.

- If your school is interested in co-hosting a hybrid webinar, please email cashforcollege@csac.ca.gov.
- For additional resources, check out our <u>Better FAFSA-Better CADAA</u> site.
- Feel free to use the Financial Aid in 5 Steps Flyer to invite students.

New changes to the FAFSA and CADAA for the 2024-25 academic year make it easier for students and families to complete a financial aid application. These changes, known as Better FAFSA, Better CADAA are being implemented now. As in previous years, students only need to complete one application, a FAFSA or a CADAA.

We appreciate your partnership in ensuring that students graduate from high school with access to the resources to help make college or career training affordable and accessible. The Commission is here as a resource to support your work in helping students apply for financial aid.

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