

SPECIAL ALERT



Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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FROM:

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TO: High School Counselors Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: Upcoming Training Events – February 2024

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) announces upcoming training webinars and virtual workshops.

Annual Statewide Financial Aid Workshops

There is one remaining in-person event for the 2023-24 Annual Statewide Financial Aid Workshop season:

• 2/16/2024 Santa Clara University

Additional upcoming virtual workshops include:

- 2/5/2024 FAFSA/CA Dream Act Application Updates 8:30 to 10:30 AM
- 2/22/2024 FAFSA/CA Dream Act Application Updates 8:30 to 10:30 AM

Register here for a 2023-24 Annual Statewide Financial Aid Workshop

These free workshops, offered in partnership with the California Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (CASFAA), the California Community Colleges Student Financial Aid Administrators Association (CCCSFAAA) and the Educational Credit Management Corporation (ECMC), provide crucial financial aid information, updates, and resources to high school counselors, advisors, student advocacy groups, outreach specialists and community education partners.

Cal Grant Regional Trainings

Geared towards college financial aid administrators who need additional Cal Grant instruction and help to better navigate WebGrants and to receive recent updates. You can also find updated Regional Training videos and PDFs on our website. Register for a live, virtual workshops.

Live Webinars (February 27-29 and April 3-5). Register here.

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

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

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

Upcoming Webinars

Uploading 2024-25 High School GPAs for high school staff

• February 8 @ 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM- <u>Register for this webinar</u>

GPA Reports & Matching for high school staff

• February 13 @ 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM- Register for this webinar

Cal Grant 101 for high school and college financial aid staff

• February 26 @ 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM- Register for this webinar

Train the Trainer Workshops for Cash for College

<u>The Cash for College Train the Trainer Program</u> provides workshops that are designed to give campus financial aid personnel and community partners all the tools they need to host their own Cash for College workshops.

• February 16, 2024, 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM <u>Register for this webinar</u>

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