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New WebGrants 4 Students
Student Financial Aid Portal

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California Student Aid Commission (CSAC)
Dear Student, Parent, or Financial Aid Counselor,

I am happy to announce California Student Aid Commission just introduced dramatic improvements to the WebGrants 4 Students financial aid portal. The site now has a modern look; is easier to navigate; includes more robust security; and is compatible with virtually any device, browser, and operating system.

The first wave of improvements includes a "Student Landing page" that provides student demographic information, summary data about each application and award; and, the ability to drill down into details without ever leaving the page. Similar improvements are being applied to the Chafee Grant (for foster youth) application, California Dream Act Application (CADAA), and CA Military Department GI Bill Award Program websites.

Introducing improvements to the Commission’s 30 year old grant delivery system is a huge accomplishment for the Commission and helps us fulfill our goal of providing students with the resources, information, and tools they need to complete the financial aid process.

Best,

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Marlene L. Garcia
Executive Director
California Student Aid Commission
NEW “STUDENT LANDING PAGE”

The new Student Landing Page is the starting point after login. This page allows students to easily check their application status or award amount, make demographic changes, see if they have “to-do” items, and easily perform common tasks.

STUDENT LANDING PAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- An expandable “Welcome” window with summary demographics and the ability to expand and edit profile information
- “Panels” for Cal Grant, Middle Class Scholarship, and Chafee Grant conveniently located on one page
- “Cards” that contain summary data, color indicators for application status, “To Do List” items to be completed, and quick editing of School of Attendance
- A card “details” option allows students to see details without ever leaving the Student Landing Page
IMPROVED ACCESSIBILITY MAKES INFORMATION AVAILABLE ANYTIME AND ANYWHERE!

The WebGrants 4 Students Login page and Student Landing Page are now compatible with virtually any device, browser, and operating system. Users can now access their information whenever and wherever it’s needed.

CAL GRANT

Cal Grants can be used at any University of California, California State University, California Community College, or qualifying independent college, career college, or technical school in California. There are three kinds of Cal Grants — A, B and C. Eligibility is based on financial aid application data, the student’s GPA, the type of California colleges the students wants to attend, and whether or not the student is a recent high school graduate.

Summary and detailed Cal Grant application and award data is easily accessible on the Student Landing Page.

California Dream Act Application (CADAA) for Undocumented Students

CADAA

The California Dream Act Application (CADAA) allows undocumented students interested in attending eligible California colleges, universities, and career education programs to apply for financial aid.

The CSAC CADAA site will soon have a modern look, enhanced security, clearly defined sections for the student and parent, on-screen help for completing the grant application; and, the ability to file the application online. For more information, please visit the current CADAA website at https://dream.csac.ca.gov.
MIDDLE CLASS SCHOLARSHIP (MCS)

The Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) provides undergraduate students with family incomes up to $171,000 a scholarship to attend a University of California (UC) or California State University (CSU) campus.

A Middle Class Scholarship panel on the new WebGrants 4 Students (WGS) Student Landing Page now provides a convenient way to view information about their application status, award amount, and other important details.

CA MILITARY DEPT. GI BILL AWARD PROGRAM

Active members in the CA National Guard, the CA Military Reserve, or the Naval Militia, may be eligible for the CMD GI Bill Award Program. CSAC provides a CMD GI Bill website that describes qualifications and includes the program application.

The CSAC CMD GI BILL site (https://nationalguard.csac.ca.gov) will soon be enhanced to have a new look and navigation, increased accessibility, enhanced on-screen help, and the ability to file an on-line application. For more information about the CMD GI BILL Award Program, please visit the CSAC website or the CA National Guard website at https://calguard.ca.gov/education.

CHAFFEE GRANT  (for foster youth)

If a student is in foster care between the ages of 16 and 18 as a dependent or ward of the court; they may qualify for a Chafee Grant up to $5,000 a year for career and technical training or college. The student may be able to use their grant to pay for child care, rent, and transportation while attending school.

The new Student Landing Page now contains a Chafee Grant panel with summary and detailed information and an on-line application.
Making education beyond high school financially accessible to all Californians

View new WebGrants 4 Students videos and information at
https://www.csac.ca.gov/webgrants-4-students

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Student Call Center Hours: 8:00 AM to 4:45 PM, Monday through Friday
1-888-CA-Grant (1-888-224-7268)
CSAC Website: https://www.csac.ca.gov
WebGrants 4 Students (WG4S): https://mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov