OPERATIONS MEMO

Update from the California Student Aid Commission

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators
           High School Counselors

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SUBJECT: **2015-16 Online California Dream Act Application**

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) is pleased to announce that the 2015-16 online California Dream Act Application (CA Dream Application) was successfully released on January 1, 2015 and can be accessed at www.caldreamact.org.

- Students eligible under Assembly Bill (AB) 540 and AB 2000 can apply for Cal Grants and other state financial aid benefits using this application.

- Students requiring a paper application can download the paper CA Dream Application by accessing the same Web page. Online application is strongly encouraged since it is faster, easier and provides the applicant with immediate feedback.

- GSA 2014-42 provides a list of enhancements for the 2015-16 Online CA Dream Act Application.

- 2015-16 Cal ISIRs will be available for download starting on January 19, 2015.

California Dream Act Application Training

- To register and get more information on the 2015-16 California Dream Act training webinars, visit https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/recorded-webinars.

- Once you have registered, a confirmation e-mail will be sent to you with the Website login instructions and teleconference phone line information. Retain this confirmation e-mail, as you will need it to join the training session.

Application Support

- Complete instructions for the CA Dream Application, including online support for each question, are available at www.caldreamact.org.

- Phone support for students filing the CA Dream Application is available from the Commission's Customer Relations staff at (888) 224-7268, or questions can be emailed to caldreamact@csac.ca.gov. Spanish language staff are available to assist students and parents in understanding the application process.

- The 2015-16 California Dream Act Application documents, forms and other resources are also available on the www.caldreamact.org home page under the Dream Act information & resources link for your use.

The Commission will continue to closely monitor the application submission process to ensure that every applicant is successful. Should you encounter any issues with the online application, please contact the Commission immediately.

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