



SPECIAL ALERT

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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: Upcoming Training Events – May 2023

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

Cal Grant Regional Trainings

Geared towards college financial aid administrators who need additional Cal Grant instruction to better navigate WebGrants and to receive recent updates. Regional Training videos and PDFs can be found on our [website](#). Register for an in-person or live, virtual workshop.

In-Person, training workshops are being offered on May 19 (Palo Alto University, Palo Alto), July 19 (Sierra College, Rocklin) and September 22 (LA Mission College, Sylmar). These 1-day workshops will run from 8 AM – 5 PM. Register [here](#).

Live Webinars (June 27-29 and November 15-17). Workshops are conducted over a 3-day period and cover the same topics as the in-person training. 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 – May is National Foster Care Month

Cal Grant Payment Codes & Scenarios for college financial aid administrators.

- May 3 @ 10:30 AM – 11:45 AM- [Register for this webinar](#)

Programs for Foster Youth for high school staff and college financial aid administrators.

- May 12 @ 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM- [Register for this webinar](#)

Transfer Entitlement (E2) Cal Grant Program for college financial aid administrators.

- May 17 @ 2:00 PM – 3:15 PM- [Register for this webinar](#)

Cal Grant 101 for high school staff and college financial aid administrators

- May 22 @ 2:00 – 3:30 PM- [Register for this webinar](#)

Cash for College Statewide Webinars

[Cash for College Workshops](#) assist students and families with completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or CA Dream Act Application (CADAA) and Chafee Grant for Foster Youth applications.

- May 11 @ 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM- [Register for this webinar](#)

FAFSA/CADAA Office Hours Hosted by CSAC

Office hours are available to teachers, counselors, staff, faculty, or anyone who works with students and may have specific student financial aid application questions. The goal is to increase application completion and support the [All-In For FAFSA/CA Dream Act](#) campaign, by answering FAFSA/CADAA-related questions one-on-one. Register and log in using the [Zoom link](#) during an office hour session and a CSAC trainer will answer your questions!

Office Hours Schedule for May

May 5 @ 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

May 12 @ 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

May 26 @ 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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