

# CSAC



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# Update to the Middle Class Scholarship Program



# MCS Background

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- 1 Implemented in the 2014-15 Academic Year
  - Program funding was not fully phased in until 2017-18 AY
- 2 Tuition Coverage Award
  - Up to 40% of the UC and CSU mandatory system -wide fees
  - Combined with other sources of gift financial aid
  - MCS awards change when overall financial aid changes
- 3 Eligibility
  - Be enrolled in an undergraduate program at a UC or CSU or in a program of professional teacher preparation
  - Submit FAFSA or CADAA by March 2
  - Be a California resident
  - Meet income and asset ceilings

# MCS Processing Timeline

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- 1** July – Enrollment file submissions
  - UC and CSU campuses upload enrollment files
  - Student level data which includes sources of financial aid
- 2** August – CSAC processes files and offers awards
  - MCS campus rosters available in WebGrants
  - Eligible students notified via email
- 3** September - June
  - Campuses pay on rosters & CSAC send disbursements
  - Weekly payments & corrections
  - Year end reconciliation



# MCS by the numbers (Median Awards)

Academic Year	Income & Asset Ceilings	UC Maximum Award	UC Median Award	CSU Maximum Award	CSU Median Award
2019-20	\$177,000	\$5,028	\$3,180	\$2,298	\$2,034
2020 -21	\$184,000	\$5,028	\$3,228	\$2,298	\$2,046
2021-22	\$191,000	\$4,398*	\$2,932	\$2,010	\$1,764

*UC Mandatory System -wide tuition = \$12,570*

*CSU Mandatory System -wide tuition = \$5,742*

*\* 35% used instead of 40%*

# MCS by the numbers (Paid Rates)

Academic Year	Offered Awardees	Award Amount	Paid Recipients	Paid Amount	Paid Recipient Rate
2019-20	59,462	\$119,669,766	58,111	\$116,551,182	97.7%
2020 -21	56,261	\$116,324,783	55,409	\$114,152,432	98.5%
2021-22	57,964	\$103,421,266	55,619	\$99,243,590	96.0%

*UC Mandatory System -wide tuition = \$12,570*

*CSU Mandatory System -wide tuition = \$5,742*

*\* 35% used instead of 40%*

# MCS by the numbers (Income Brackets)

Household Income	2019-20			2020 -21			2021-22		
	Total %	UC%	CSU%	Total%	UC%	CSU%	Total%	UC%	CSU%
\$100,000 or Less	39.3%	11.7%	<b>45.8%</b>	35.4%	9.7%	<b>42.2%</b>	36.2%	6.9%	<b>43.0%</b>
\$100,001 - \$150,000	45.2%	<b>61.4%</b>	<b>41.4%</b>	44.7%	<b>57.3%</b>	<b>41.4%</b>	41.6%	<b>54.8%</b>	<b>38.6%</b>
\$150,000 or More	15.5%	<b>26.9%</b>	12.8%	19.8%	<b>33.0%</b>	16.4%	22.2%	<b>38.3%</b>	18.5%



# MCS 2.0 in 2022-23





# Program Funding

CURRENT MCS

\$ 117,000,000

MCS 2.0

\$ 632,000,000\*

\* *Pending final 2022 -23 budget approval*

# Offered Awards

CURRENT MCS

50,000  
students

MCS 2.0

350,000  
students



# MCS Awarding Formula

## CURRENT MCS

Up to 40% tuition coverage based on the student's:

- Federal Aid
- State Aid
- Institutional Aid
- Income level

## MCS 2.0

Calculation based on the difference of a student's

Cost of attendance

- Federal Aid
- State Aid
- Institutional Aid
- Student contribution of \$7,898
- 33% Parent contribution from adjusted available income for dependent students with annual income over \$100,000
- Private scholarships – the portion that exceeds the sum of the student and parent contribution categories.



# MCS Awarding Formula Example CSU (0 EFC)

## CURRENT MCS

CSU Max Award (40%) - \$2,298

Pell Grant - \$6,345

Cal Grant - \$5,742

MCS AWARD = 0

## MCS 2.0

COA - \$30,000

- Federal (Pell Grant) - \$6,345

- State (Cal Grant) - \$5,742

- Institutional Aid - \$2,000

- Student Contribution - \$7,898

MCS AWARD = \$1900

# MCS Awarding Formula Example UC (0 EFC)

## CURRENT MCS

UC Max Award (40%) - \$5,028

Pell Grant - \$6,345

Cal Grant - \$5,742

MCS AWARD = 0

## MCS 2.0

COA - \$30,000

- Federal (Pell Grant) - \$6,345

- State (Cal Grant) - \$12,570

- Institutional Aid - \$2,000

- Student Contribution - \$7,898

MCS AWARD = \$1,700



# MCS 2.0 Processing Timeline

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- 1 July 2022 – Enrollment file submission window open
  - Added Cost of Attendance to file layout
  - UC and CSU campuses upload enrollment files
  - Student level data which includes sources of financial aid
- 2 Late August / early September 2022 (in progress)
  - CSAC processes files and make award offers
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# Thank you!

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## Q & A Discussion



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