

California Student Aid Commission  
Data, Research, and Strategic Planning Committee

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## Item 5

### (Information Item)

#### Update on FAFSA/CADAA submissions and Cal Grant paid rates

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**SUMMARY:**

The most recent and current Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and California Dream Act Application (CADAA) submission cycle began on October 1, 2021, for the 2022-23 academic year. While data show FAFSA submissions behind last year's cycle, application submissions for first-time freshmen are back up over prior years. CADAA submissions continue to be well below prior year's levels. Commission staff will also provide an update on the paid rates of various Cal Grant programs.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This is an information item; no action is required.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Data, Analysis and Research Team (DART) has created a web based FAFSA/CADAA Dashboard that includes significant enhancements to our reporting on FAFSA/CADAA submissions, including any number of new data crosstabs and historical trend visualizations. Staff will provide an update to current trends in FAFSA and CADAA submissions, along with paid rates of Cal Grant programs.

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**ATTACHMENT(S):**

Update on FAFSA and CADAA Submissions Presentation

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