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Recap: 2022-2023

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2022-2023 State Budget & Cal Grant Reform



2022-23 State Budget
Adopts the Cal Grant Equity Framework
beginning in the 2024-25 academic year



A “**revenue trigger**” in **May 2024** will confirm if there is sufficient funding on a multiyear basis is available to support this expansion
Current Projections Indicate Sufficient Revenue



CSAC provided with
\$500K to Begin Implementation Work Now
and adapt systems to **reflect the Cal Grant Equity Framework**



The Cal Grant **Equity Framework**

Redesigned programs structured around **student needs**

- 1 Cal Grant 2 for Community College Students**
\$1,648 award tied to **CA Consumer Price Index** to grow over time
Removes barriers based on GPA or where/when a student transfers
- 2 Cal Grant 4 for Students at UC, CSU, or Private Institutions**
Tuition coverage at UC, CSU or current award amounts for private institutions
Removes barriers based on when a student enters/transfers
- 3 Extra Support for Student-Parents and Foster Youth**
Students continue to qualify for **\$6,000 grants** toward basic needs
- 4 Simplifies State Aid and Aligns with Student Aid Index**
New federal aid system taking effect for the 2024-2025 academic year

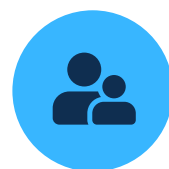




Cal Grants for Students at **Private Nonprofit Institutions**



\$5.5 million ongoing to provide an
Increase in the Award Amount from \$9,220 to \$9,358
for the approximately 28,000 Cal Grant students attending
a private nonprofit institution



\$10 million ongoing to
**Extend \$6,000 Cal Grant Access Awards for
Foster Youth and Students with Dependent Children**
attending a private nonprofit institution



Modifies requirement that private nonprofit institutions
admit students with an Associate Degree for Transfer to
maintain award amount, now reflecting annual
Increases in Transfer Based on Changes to Enrollment



Middle Class Scholarship 2.0



\$515 million ongoing, for a
Combined Total of \$632 million
to support modified 2.0 version of MCS



Version 2.0 will focus resources toward
Reducing Students' Total Cost of Attendance



360,000 Students Estimated to be Served
by MCS 2.0 in the 2022-23 academic year, **up from 57,000**



Budget agreement conveys intent to
Add \$227 million on a One-time Basis
in the 2023-24 State Budget to supplement funding MCS 2.0





Learning-Aligned Employment Program



Established in **2021-22 State Budget** to provide funding to public colleges and universities so **Underrepresented Students can Access Paid Work-based Learning Opportunities** within their subject areas or career interests



2022-23 State Budget includes **\$300 million one-time** for the Learning-Aligned Employment Program for a **total of \$500 million** with funds that established the program in the 2021 Budget Act



CA Dream Act Service Incentive Grant Program



Provides Awards of up to \$4,500

increased from current \$3,000, to participating Dream Act students with **300 annual hours of eligible community service**



Extends program eligibility to include Cal Grant A Recipients Eligible for Cal Grant B

Previously, only Cal Grant B recipients could participate, limiting access for UC students



Allows **part-time enrolled students** to receive the **same awards as their peers for the same amount of service**
Previously, awards were prorated based on enrollment level



Redirects any unused funds to the public universities for **Use in the Dream Loan program**



Golden State Teacher Grant Program



Awards up to \$20,000

for students in programs seeking to earn a **teaching credential or pupil services credential**



Expands Eligibility to All Students

in teacher credential or pupil personnel services programs so long as they **commit to serving at a priority school**, removing a requirement to teach in high-need fields



Enables Applications and Initial Eligibility Determinations

prior to a student's enrollment in a credential program, as well as spreading grant funds over multiple academic years



Extends Timeframe

during which grant recipients can complete 4 years of service at a priority school to now be over an **8 year period after receiving their grant**





"All In" on Financial Aid Applications



Funding and Staff Capacity

for CSAC to **support efforts around universal financial aid applications** for high school seniors, taking effect this Fall



\$2.4 million ongoing for the California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal-SOAP) to **Maintain the Existing Projects in the Inland Empire**



\$500,000 to create Regional Coordinating Organizations for **Cash for College Workshops in Targeted Regions** to **support implementation efforts** involved with universal financial aid applications for high school seniors



Other **Policies & Investments** Involving the Commission

- 01 **\$5 million** one-time toward the **California Indian Nations College** as it pursues accreditation
- 02 Language that requires the Commission to utilize the **Cohort Default Rate data** published in 2020 for purposes of determining institutional eligibility for Cal Grant participation
- 03 Requirement that CA Dept. of Social Services publishes a **CalFresh Student Data Dashboard** on student applications and access to the program



Other **Key Investments** to Address College Costs & Increase Student Support

- 01 Additional **\$250 million** ongoing for **Student Success Completion Grants** for community college students enrolled in 12 units or more and receiving a Cal Grant – increasing award amounts while reaching more students
- 02 Additional **\$200 million** one-time for **Higher Education Student Housing Grants** for public colleges and universities to construct, acquire, or renovate housing for low-income students
- 03 Additional **\$170 million** ongoing to **Support the CalKIDS College Savings Account Program** created in 2021, with new resources to support administration & outreach
- 04 \$25 million ongoing to **Expand the CA College Promise Program** to returning community college students
- 05 **\$20 million** one-time for emergency **Financial Aid for AB 540 Students at Community Colleges**



What are the topline numbers for the Commission?



Total amount of funds: **\$3.57 billion**



Increase of **\$199.8 million** in total funding
year over year and **addition of 8 new staff
positions**



Estimated to serve over **783,000***
students in the 2022-23 academic year



What's Next?



Work to implement
Cal Grant reform begins now



Middle Class Scholarship 2.0 awards
and Cal Grant awards for students at
private nonprofit institutions for 2022-23



Learning-Aligned Employment
Program: **opportunities available for
students and employers**



This Fall, **high schools take on new role
ensuring seniors apply for aid** – and
CSAC will be here to help



Spread the word about support for aspiring
**educators and CA Dream Act students
seeking to serve their communities!**



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Questions & Answers





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