

California Student Aid Commission
Data, Research and Strategic Planning Committee

Item 6

(Information Item)

Update on California Community College Entitlement Cal Grant

SUMMARY:

Staff will present data on the first two years of the California Community College (CCC) Entitlement Cal Grant Program, including demographics on CCC students awarded and paid prior to and after the program implementation in the 2021-22 academic year. Also discussed will be the impact on students who transfer to a four-year institution, as well as an update on the paid rate study currently undertaken by a research group at UC Davis.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information item; no action is required.

BACKGROUND:

The 2021-22 California State Budget Act (Chapter 144, Statutes of 2021) established that beginning in the 2021-22 academic year, all students attending a California Community College and meeting the eligibility requirements of the Cal Grant program are entitled to a Cal Grant A or B award. The application deadline for the new CCC entitlement program is September 2. Prior to the 2021-22 academic year, CCC students were considered for an award in the Competitive program. This new entitlement award has eliminated the need for CCC students to be included in the Competitive program and thus has discontinued the September 2 Competitive cycle.

Students who have been paid or put on Community College Reserve with this award and who transfer to a University of California or California State University will maintain the Cal Grant award. CCC Entitlement recipients who transfer to a non-profit or for-profit private school are not eligible to use the award and withdrawn from the program.

RESPONSIBLE PERSON(S):

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ATTACHMENT(S):

CA Community College Entitlement Presentation Presented on September 6, 2023