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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: High School Counselors

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SUBJECT: **2024-25 High School Race to Submit Dashboard**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) announces the release of the annual statewide [Race to Submit Dashboard \(Dashboard\)](#) for the 2024-25 award year (class of 2024). This Dashboard serves as a tool for school districts, high schools and county offices to monitor the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and California Dream Act Application (CADAA) submission rates through June 30, 2024.

Given the significant delays and challenges in this 2024-25 financial aid application season, the Commission **will not** be hosting the traditional Race to Submit competition this year. We know many students have had difficulty in submitting the FAFSA and they will need support to successfully complete it to qualify for federal and state financial aid. Although the Dashboard will not be used as a competition tool, it is a tool to monitor financial aid application submission rates for your students through June 30, 2024.

We sincerely appreciate your patience and persistence in working diligently to help your students and their families complete their financial aid applications. Public high schools and school districts in California will need to ensure that all 12th graders complete a 2024-25 FAFSA or CADAA, unless the student has formally opted-out. Please continue to encourage students who are still pending to complete their financial aid application.

The 2024-25 Dashboard will be updated daily and applications submitted and matched to a GPA by June 30, 2024 will be reflected on it. The Commission anticipates receiving the California Department of Education's certified enrollment data by mid-May 2024 and will update the Dashboard with it.

The [All In for FAFSA/CA Dream Act webpage](#) has great resources and materials to support successful financial aid application submissions.

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