



# SPECIAL ALERT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA



## Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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GSA 2024-34

TO: High School Counselors  
Financial Aid Administrators

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### SUBJECT: **2024-25 Cal Grant Appeals – Late FAFSA/CADAA**

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) communicates information about the 2024-25 Cal Grant appeals process for students that were unable to submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application (CADAA) by the May 2, 2024 priority deadline.

#### Cal Grant Appeals G-18 Form

The [Cal Grant Appeals G-18 Form](#) is available for students on the Commission’s website and should only be completed by students who were unable to access or submit a FAFSA or CADAA due to circumstances beyond the student’s control or by students who may have been disqualified in error.

- 2024-25 FAFSA/CADAA applicants who submitted a partial or incomplete application by the May 2, 2024 priority deadline, **do not need to appeal**. Students in this scenario include those who still need their FAFSA contributors to complete their portions, are missing a parent/contributor(s) signature(s) or need to make corrections to their application.
- Students may log into their [WebGrants for Students](#) account to confirm their FAFSA/CADAA submission date.

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**Application Status(2024-2025)**

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**Award Status**

Awards	Status	Award Cycle Type ⓘ

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**Application Information**

Application Type: CADAA	Student Aid Index (SAI) ⓘ:
Date of First Submission: 01/14/2024	How to Update incorrect Information

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**GPA ⓘ**

GPA: 3.56	Submitted by: LAS POSITAS COLLEGE
Date Received: 04/05/2024	Type: Community College GPA

- The Commission will use the date of first submission to determine on-time applications to be processed for Cal Grant award consideration, even if the application is fully completed with a Student Aid Index with a later transaction date.
- Students who are planning to attend a California Community College in the 2024-25 academic year, do not need to appeal at this time, as they have until September 2, 2024, to submit a FAFSA or CADAA.

The Commission understands that this has been an unprecedented financial aid application year for students and their families and given the multiple technical issues and delays impacting FAFSA filers, we have updated this process for the 2024-25 academic year. The Commission appreciates all your efforts in continuing to support your students in completing their financial aid applications.

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