

# **SPECIAL ALERT**



**Update from the California Student Aid Commission** 

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FROM:

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TO: High School Counselors Financial Aid Administrators

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## SUBJECT: Upcoming Training Events - June 2024

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) announces upcoming training webinars and virtual workshops, as well as the August Summer Convenings hosted by the California Department of Education (CDE).

## 2024 August Summer Convenings, hosted by CDE

Join CDE for a professional development opportunity, designed for equivalency and proficiency program chief examiners, test site administrators, school counselors, and others with a connection to alternatives to high school graduation. These trainings will include updates from GED<sup>®</sup> Testing Service, HiSET Equivalency, HiSET Proficiency, and the CDE. Questions can be sent to Melissa Stockbridge at the Sacramento County Office of Education by email at <u>mstockbridge@scoe.net</u>. Please register <u>here</u>.

- Monday, August 5, 2024 Sacramento
- Tuesday, August 6, 2024 Fresno
- Thursday, August 8, 2024 San Diego
- Friday, August 9, 2024 Los Angeles
  - 2024 Summer Convenings Informational Flyer (PDF)

## **Cal Grant Regional Trainings**

Regional trainings are designed to provide updates to the financial aid programs administered by the Commission and to assist financial aid administrators who need updated Cal Grant instruction, new program information, and help to better navigate the WebGrants system. Regional Training videos and PDFs can be found on our <u>website</u>.

#### Live Cal Grant Regional Training Webinars

These trainings are conducted over a 3-day period. Sessions do not have to be taken consecutively. Please register for our live, virtual sessions in June and August <u>here</u>.

- Session A: CSAC Updates, Institutional Eligibility, CSAC Program Overview, and California Dream Act Application. (Estimated 2.5–3 hours)
- Session B: Disbursements and Payments, Payment Scenarios, Navigating WebGrants, Reports and Tools, Reconciliation and Program Compliance. (Estimated 2-2.5 hours)
- Session C: Foster Youth Programs and Middle-Class Scholarship. (Estimated 1.5-2 hours)

#### Upcoming Webinars

Community College Entitlement (E3 awards) Cal Grant Overview for community college financial aid staff

• June 7 @ 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM- <u>Register for this webinar</u>

2024-25 GPA Reports & Matching for high school staff

• June 11 @ 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM- Register for this webinar

Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) Overview for high school and college financial aid staff

• June 20 @ 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM- Register for this webinar

Cal Grant 101 for high school and college financial aid staff

• June 25 @ 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM- <u>Register for this webinar</u>

Middle Class Scholarship: 2023-24 Year End Reconciliation for college financial aid staff

• June 27 @ 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM – <u>Register for this webinar</u>

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