

Assembly Bill 2160 was signed into law in September 2014 mandating that all public schools electronically submit grade point averages (GPAs) for all graduating seniors to the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) by October 1 for Cal Grant consideration, unless the student or parent has opted out.

Cal Grant awards range from \$5,000 to 12,000 and are for students who are pursuing an undergraduate degree or vocational or career training. Cal Grants do not have to be repaid. California Education Code section 69432.9 requires the school district to notify all grade 11 students and their parent/guardian (if under the age of 18), in writing and no later than January 1 of a student's grade 11 academic year, that the student will be deemed a Cal Grant applicant unless the student has opted out prior to March 1 of their 11th grade year. Students who do not opt out will have their GPA submitted to the Commission to be considered for a Cal Grant award. If you choose not to have your student's GPA sent to the California Student Aid Commission, your student will not be considered for a Cal grant. Please return your opt-out form to the guidance office no later than March 1 of the student's 11th grade year. Please see your school counselor if you have any questions.

In order to be considered for a Cal Grant, California public high schools and charter schools are required to submit a high school Grade Point Average (GPA) to the California Student Aid Commission by October 1 for all graduating seniors, unless the student or parent has opted out. California Education Code section 69432.9 requires the school district or charter school, to notify all grade 11 pupils and their parent/guardian (if under the age of 18), in writing and no later than January 1 of a pupil's grade 11 academic year, that the pupil will be deemed a Cal Grant applicant unless the pupil has opted out prior to the date specified below. Students who do not opt out will have their GPA submitted to the Commission to be considered for a Cal Grant award.

If you do not want your school to report a GPA, please complete this form by March 1st of your 11th grade year.

GPAs will be submitted to the Commission starting September 1 of the student's 12th grade year.

By signing this form, I certify that I am 18 years of age or older and am electing not to have my school report my high school Cal Grant GPA information to the California Student Aid Commission for use in the Cal Grant application process.

Student Signature

Student Printed Name

Date

The student named on this form is under the age of 18. I am the parent or legal guardian of the above named minor, and I do not authorize the release of his/her high school GPA information to the California Student Aid Commission for use in the Cal Grant application process.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Date

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