

Dear Parent/Guardian,

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 1st for Cal Grant consideration, unless the student or parent/guardian have 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 1st 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 1st 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 center no later than February 28th. Please see your school counselor if you have any questions.

Thank you,
OFY Acton Counseling Team