

California Grant Program

The State of California offers community college students two opportunities to apply for three major grants with applications available in the SFASO each December and June or July. You must reapply each year to maintain your eligibility. When applying with either a new or renewal application (Free Application for Federal Student Aid – FAFSA) you must submit a GPA Verification Form. This form can be obtained from the Student Financial Assistance & Scholarship Office prior to March 2, 2008 and prior to Sept. 2, 2008.

*** IMPORTANT NOTE ***

Saddleback College submits ALL STUDENTS' GPA VERIFICATIONS ELECTRONICALLY to the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC), when you meet the following criteria:

- HAVE EARNED A MINIMUM OF 24 TRANSFERABLE UNITS AT Saddleback College

AND/OR

- EARNED 16 TO 23 RE-ESTABLISHED UNITS.

Hard copy GPA VERIFICATION FORM submissions MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SADDLEBACK COLLEGE ADMISSIONS AND RECORDS OFFICE BY THE ANNOUNCED DEADLINE DATE.

- **Cal Grant A:** This grant is only for students who are **transferring to a four-year school**, and is based upon both financial need and academic achievement. When you apply for and are awarded a Cal Grant A, you can put the grant on reserve until you leave Saddleback College. This grant pays up to \$9,708 a year in tuition and fees.
- **Cal Grant B:** This grant is awarded primarily to entering freshmen students from low-income backgrounds and who have been determined as having financial need. Cal Grant B awards are made in amounts up to \$1,551 per academic year while attending Saddleback College, and will pay up to \$9,708 in subsistence, tuition and fees when you transfer to a four-year school.
- **Cal Grant C:** This grant is for two-year vocational students only, and eligibility is based upon financial need and academic achievement. The maximum Cal Grant C award at Saddleback College is \$576 per academic year.