# Financial Aid Implementation Worksheet

## Current Completion Rate

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## Goal Rate

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## Cal Grant

The Cal Grant is a California-specific financial aid allocation that does not need to be paid back. Cal Grant applicants must apply using the FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application by the deadline and meet all eligibility, financial, and minimum GPA requirements of either program. Grants are for students attending Universities of California, California State Universities or California Community Colleges, or qualifying independent and career colleges or technical schools in California.

## Dates & Deadlines

- October 1 - FAFSA/CADAA Opens
- March 2 - Cal Grant GPA Verification
- March 2 - Cal Grant Deadline
- June 30 - FAFSA Closes

## TIMELINE

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<th>Sept. 9th</th>
<th>Oct. 1st</th>
<th>Dec. 12th</th>
<th>Mar. 2nd</th>
<th>June 30th</th>
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<td>Student and parent create FSA ID</td>
<td>Begin to fill out the FAFSA/CADA Application</td>
<td>Accept early decision financial aid package</td>
<td>Deadline for Cal Grant and GPA verification</td>
<td>FAFSA/CADA Application Closes</td>
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## Intake Process

1. Conduct FAFSA, CADAA, Cal Grant Info Workshop
2. Create FSA ID
3. Begin FAFSA / CADAA Application
4. Fill out Cal Grant Application
5. GPA Verification for Cal Grant
6. Apply for Local Scholarships
7. Compare Financial Aid Award Letters
8. Confirm College Acceptance/Pay Deposit

## Point of Contacts

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Background
CaliforniaColleges.edu is the state of California’s official college and career planning platform. Through CaliforniaColleges.edu, students can access tools that will help them learn about, plan for, and apply for financial aid, such as:

- Self-guided lessons that help students understand the costs of going to college, how financial aid can help them pay for college, and how they can apply for financial aid.

- Step-by-step instructions to help them complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application (CADAA).

- A personal financial aid planner to help track the progress of their FAFSA or CADAA application and compare financial aid packages from colleges that have accepted them.

Questions to Consider
Consider the following questions when considering how your local school district can leverage the financial aid tools on CaliforniaColleges.edu to implement AB 469.

1. What conversations has your district had/decisions has your district made regarding AB 469 implementation?

2. How ready is your district to implement AB 469?

3. What is your role in implementation of AB 469 in your school district?

Questions to Consider (cont.)

4. How ready is your local school district to implement the use of CaliforniaColleges.edu?

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5. What do you think your local school district needs in order to use CaliforniaColleges.edu as a tool to see successful implementation of AB469?

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6. What can be learned from district wide implementation of other requirements in the past?

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a. What factors support successful implementation of district-wide initiatives?

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b. What factors create barriers to implementation of district-wide initiatives?

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Student Engagement Ideas

Parent Engagement Ideas