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# CALIFORNIA COLLEGE Promise Grant

► *Helping Students Succeed*

Formerly known as the Board of Governors Fee Waiver

## Eligibility Information

Everything you need to know to  
remain eligible for the California  
College Promise Grant.

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## ▶ **Minimum requirements for maximum success.**

Whether you want to move into a career or move on to a four-year university, California community colleges want to help you achieve your educational goals. The California College Promise Grant, available to eligible students, will waive your per unit enrollment fee at any California community college throughout the state.

Once you've qualified for the California College Promise Grant, it's important to ensure that you're meeting the academic and progress standards in order to avoid losing it.

### **Academic — Sustain a GPA of 2.0 or higher**

If your cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 for two consecutive primary terms (fall/spring semesters, or fall/winter/spring quarters), you may lose your grant eligibility.

### **Progress — Complete more than 50 percent of your coursework**

If the cumulative number of units you complete is not more than 50 percent in two consecutive primary terms (fall/spring semesters, or fall/winter/spring quarters), you may lose your grant eligibility.

### **Combination of Academic and Progress Standards**

Any combination of two consecutive terms of cumulative GPA below 2.0, and/or cumulative unit completion of not more than 50 percent may result in loss of grant eligibility.

## ▶ **How will I know?**

You'll be notified within 30 days of the end of each term if you are being placed on either academic (GPA) and/or progress (course completion) probation. Your notification will include the information that a second term of probation will result in loss of fee waiver eligibility. After the second consecutive term of probation, you may lose eligibility for the fee waiver at your next registration opportunity.

## ▶ **How to regain eligibility.**

If you lose eligibility for the California College Promise Grant, there are a few ways that you can have it reinstated:

- Improve your GPA or course completion measures to meet the academic and progress standards
- Successful appeal regarding extenuating circumstances (see below)
- Successful appeal based on significant academic improvement (see below)
- Not attending your school district for two consecutive primary terms (fall/spring semesters, or fall/winter/spring quarters)

The appeals process for extenuating circumstances includes:

- Verified accidents, illness or other circumstances beyond your control
- Changes in economic situation
- Evidence of inability to obtain essential support services
- Special consideration factors for CalWORKs, EOPS, DSPS and student veterans
- Disability accommodations not received in a timely manner

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the financial aid office or registrar at your college.

*Please note that foster youth and former foster youth (age 24 years and younger) are not subject to loss of the California College Promise Grant under these regulations.*