



# California Dream Act Application (CADAA) OVERVIEW

For The 2024-2025 Academic Year

# In Today's Webinar...

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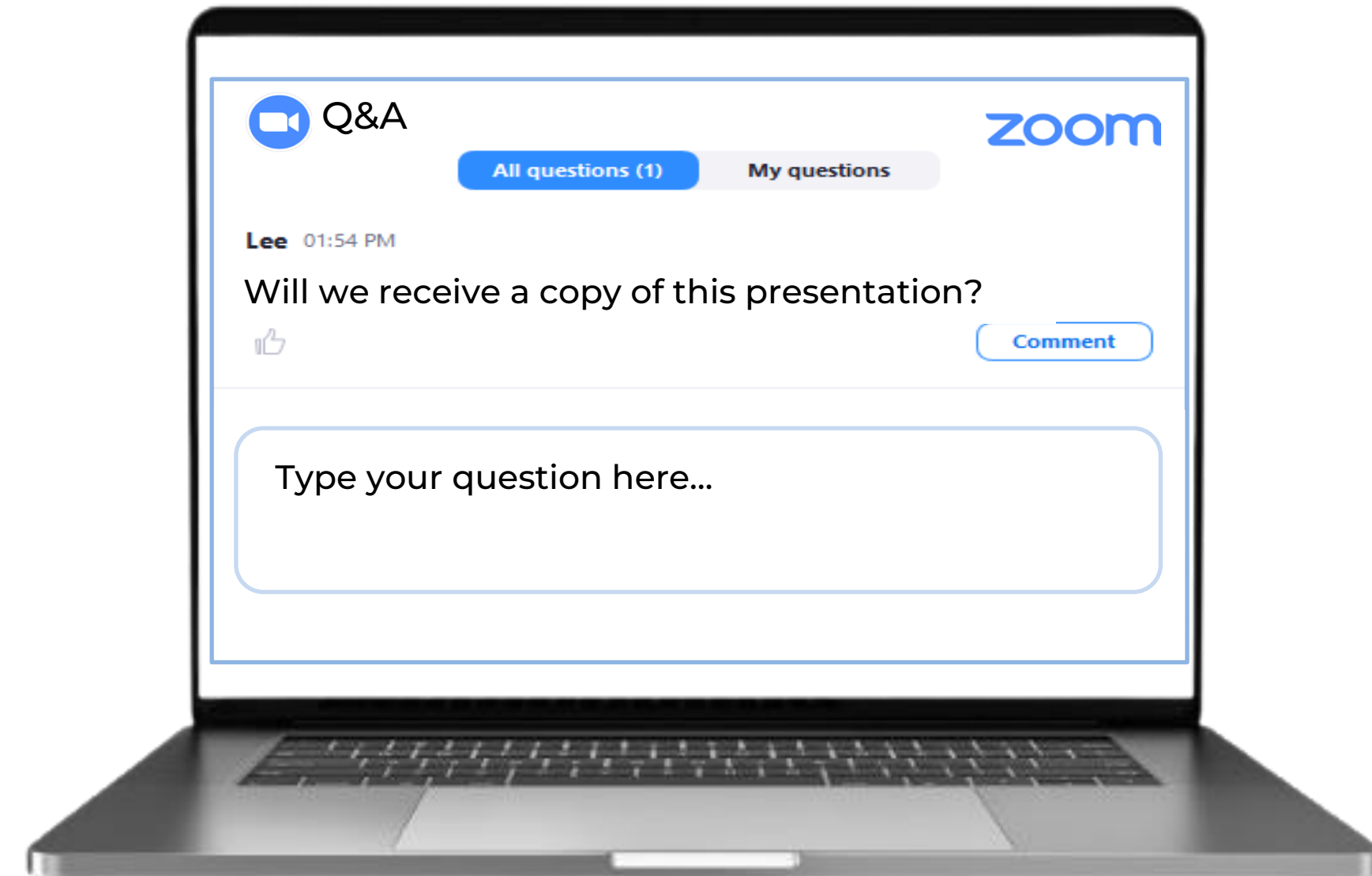
Full CADAA line-by-line

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FAFSA/CADAA updates

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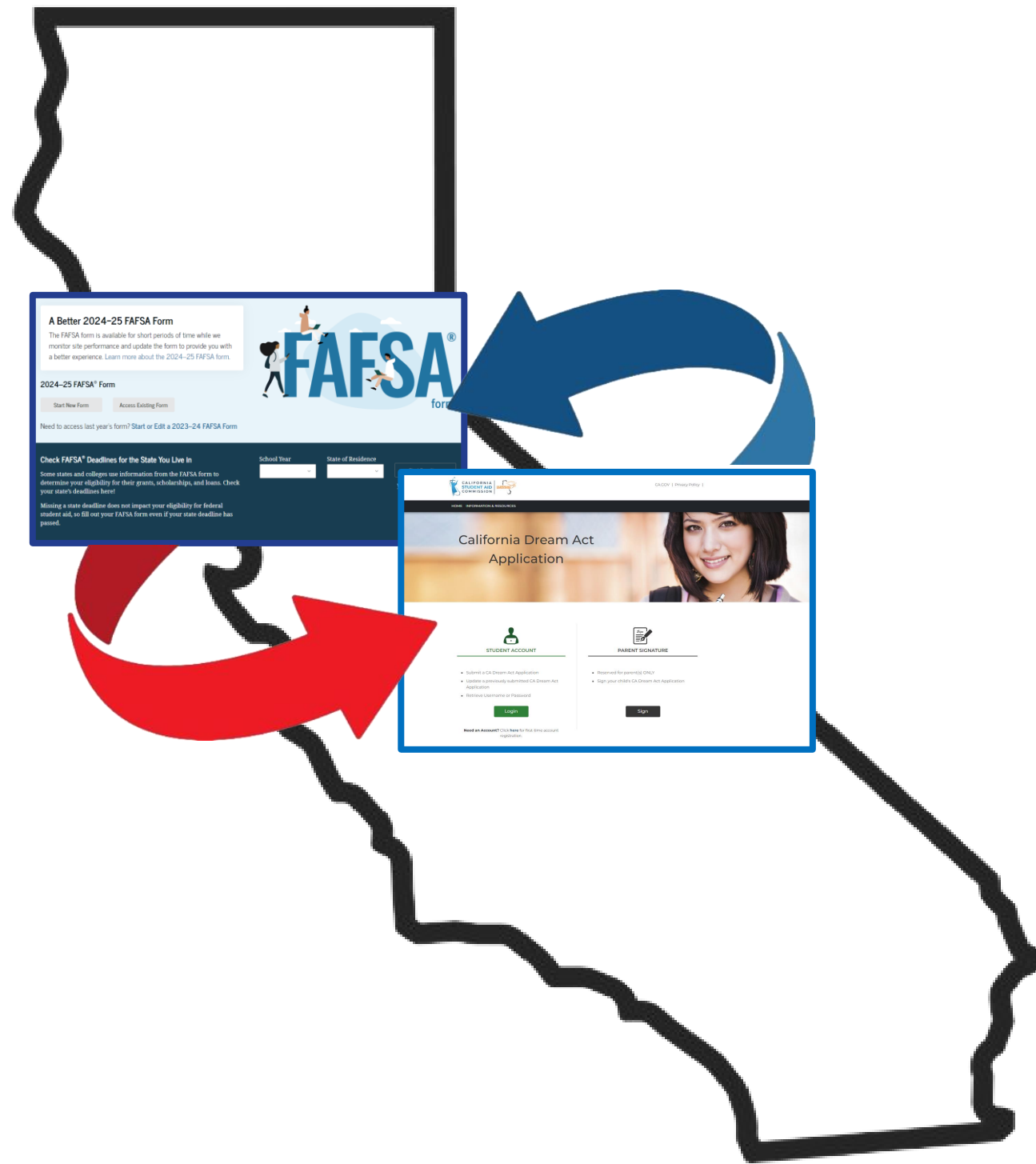
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# Agenda

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1. Quick review/AB 540 Eligibility
2. Changes to the 2024-25 Dream Act Application Home Page
3. Registering for an Account
4. Completing the Application
5. Signing the Application
6. Confirmation the Application is Complete

# Two Important Financial Aid Applications in California



- The FAFSA and the California Dream Act Application are both financial aid applications that do essentially the same thing for two different groups of students
- Both applications open the door to many types of important financial aid for college, including state aid, institutional aid, scholarships, loans and more depending on student eligibility
- It's vital that educators and other student advocates always talk about both applications when they are addressing students and their families
- Please remember that many students and families are reluctant to provide private information. Let them know that we are here to support them!

# Who Can Apply?

- Undocumented Students
- With or without DACA
- Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
- U Visa Holders

## Who is NOT eligible?

- Any visa holder (except U)
- US Citizens
- Legal Permanent Residents
- T-Visa holders
- Eligible Non-Citizens (per FAFSA) such as Refugee or Asylum Granted status



The screenshot shows the website for the California Student Aid Commission's California Dream Act Application. At the top, there are logos for the California Student Aid Commission and the California State Bar, along with links for CA.GOV and Privacy Policy. Below the navigation bar, there is a header with the text "California Dream Act Application" and a background image of a smiling young woman. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column is titled "STUDENT ACCOUNT" and features a list of actions: "Submit a CA Dream Act Application", "Update a previously submitted CA Dream Act Application", and "Retrieve Username or Password". Below this list is a green "Login" button. The right column is titled "PARENT SIGNATURE" and features a list of actions: "Reserved for parent(s) ONLY" and "Sign your child's CA Dream Act Application". Below this list is a dark grey "Sign" button. At the bottom of the left column, there is a link: "Need an Account? Click here for first-time account registration."

# AB 540 Eligibility

## PART ONE: Length of time & coursework completed per school

Three full-time (FT) years of attendance or attainment of part-time equivalent credits earned in a California:

- **High school**<sup>1</sup>
- **Adult school**<sup>2</sup> (1 full-time year of attendance = min of 420 hrs/school year)
- **Community College**
  - Credit courses<sup>3</sup> (1 full-time year of attendance = 24 semester units or 36 quarter units)
  - Noncredit courses (1 full-time year of attendance = min of 420 hrs/school year)
- **Or any combination of the above**

Or

Three years of high school coursework and three years of total attendance in a California:

- elementary school
- secondary school
- or any combination of these two.

## PART TWO: Degree completion, unit requirements, GED, etc.

Fulfill one of the following:

- Graduate from a CA high school
- Obtain a certificate of completion, GED, HiSet, or TASC in CA
- Attain an associate degree from a CA Community College
- Fulfill minimum transfer requirements for University of California or California State University

[1] California high schools must be established by the State Board of Education.

[2] California adult school must be established by: County Office of Education, Unified School District/High School District, or The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

[3] SB 1141 removed the two year maximum for credit courses at CCCs.

# Why is the California Dream Act Application (CADAA) Changing?



The significant redesign to the 2024-2025 FAFSA required changes to the CADAA be made, such as calculating the Student Aid Index (SAI) in place of the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and allowing students to list up to 20 colleges, etc.

This also created an opportunity to make updates and enhancements to the application. For example:

- Streamlining the parent signature process
- Embedding the AB 540 affidavit into the application
- Creating a text message 'opt-in' question
- Allowing students to indicate interest in the California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant Program (DSIG)

# Changes to the CADAA Home Page



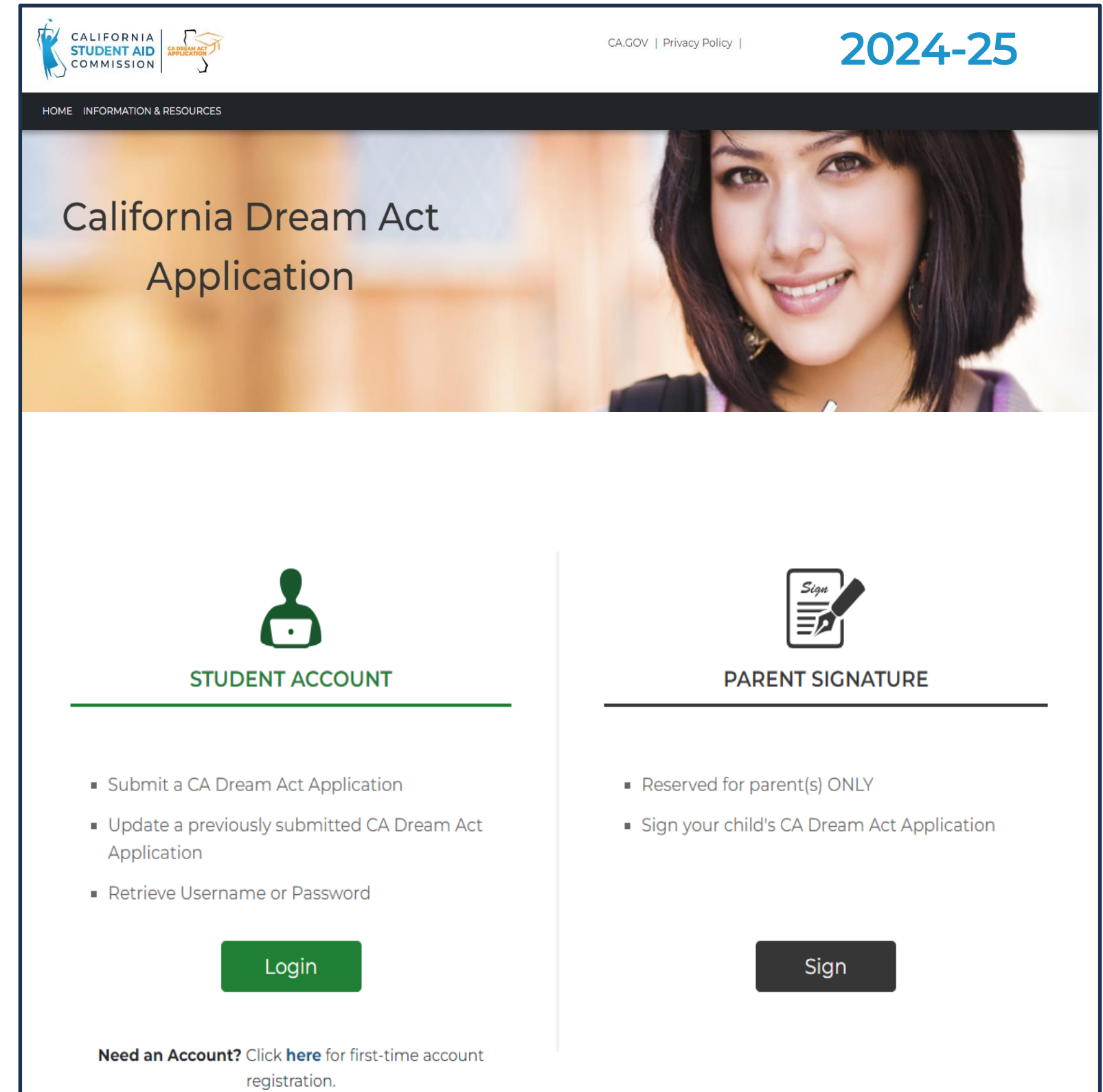
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## CA DREAM ACT

- NEW**  
FIRST TIME USER
  - New to the CA Dream Act?
  - Start a New application
  - Do not submit multiple applications[Start](#)
- RETURNING USER**
  - Renew your application
  - Submit a saved application
  - Make a correction or add a school to your application[Login](#)
- PARENT SIGNATURE**
  - Request a parent PIN
  - Forgot your parent PIN?
  - Sign the student application[Submit](#)



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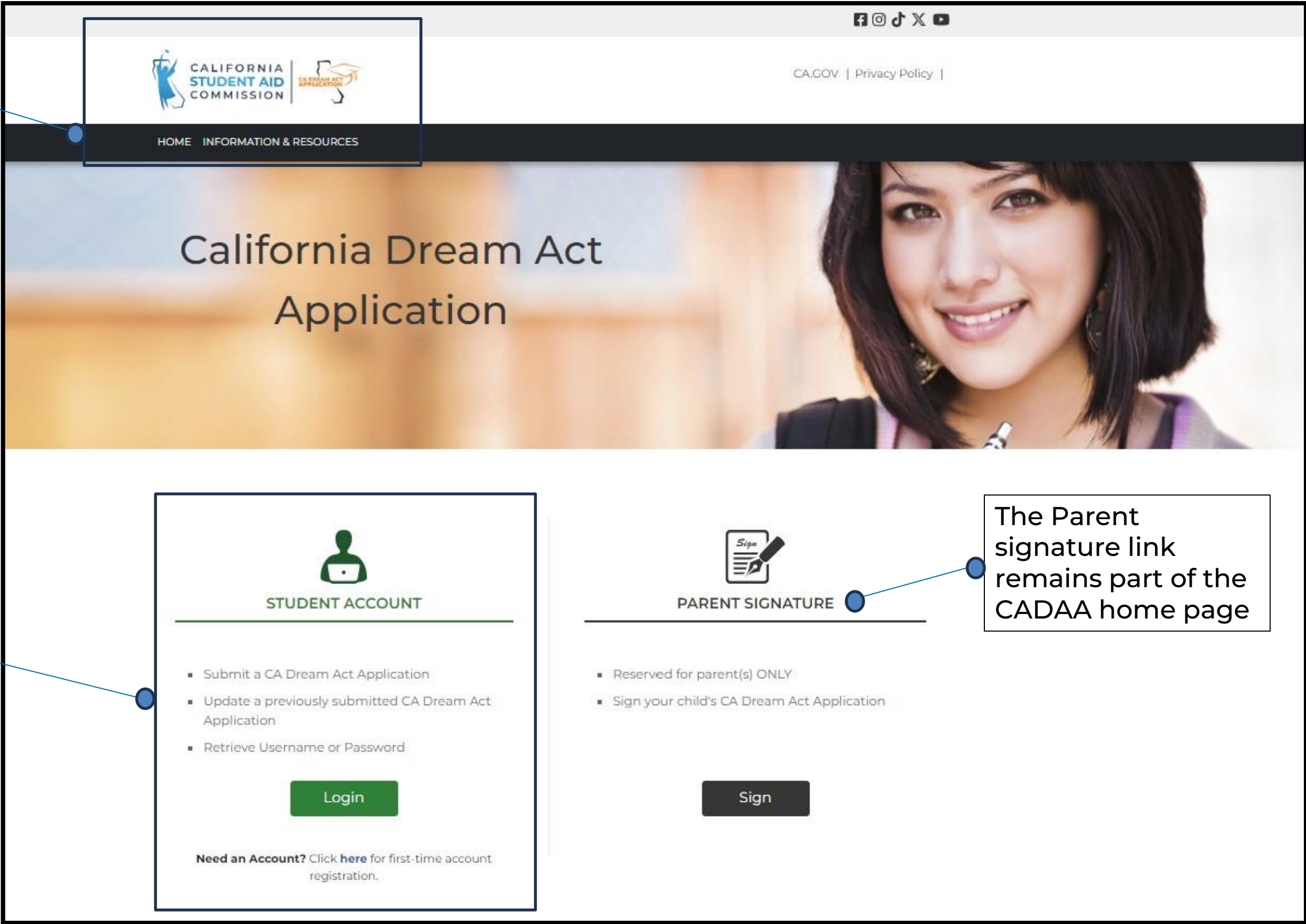
## California Dream Act Application

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  - Reserved for parent(s) ONLY
  - Sign your child's CA Dream Act Application[Sign](#)

**Need an Account?** Click [here](#) for first-time account registration.




# Changes to the CADAA Home Page



### Coming soon

- 2024-25 English Paper Application
- 2024-25 Spanish Paper Application
- Additional CADAA Resources



### STUDENT ACCOUNT

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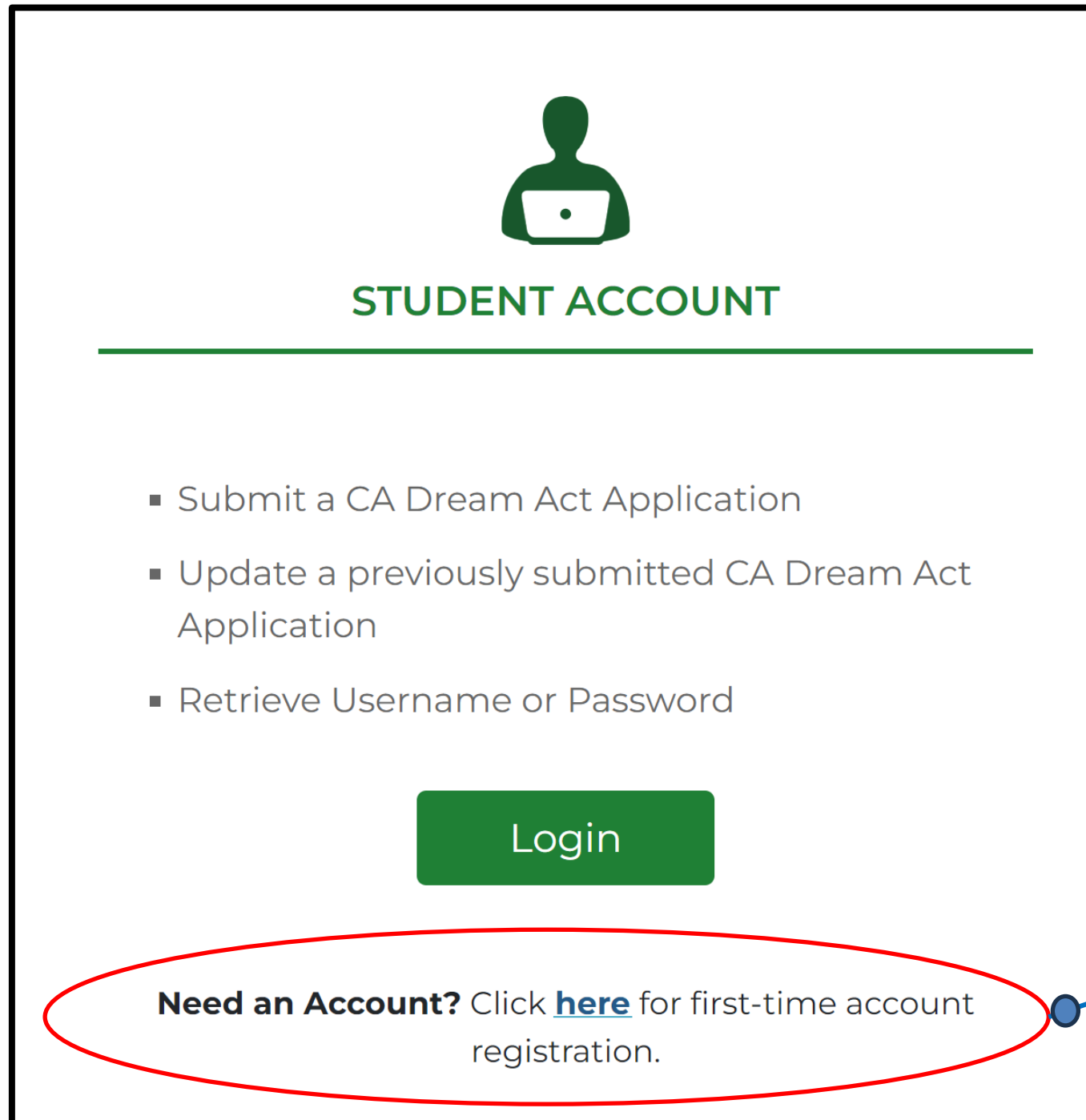
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The Parent signature link remains part of the CADAA home page

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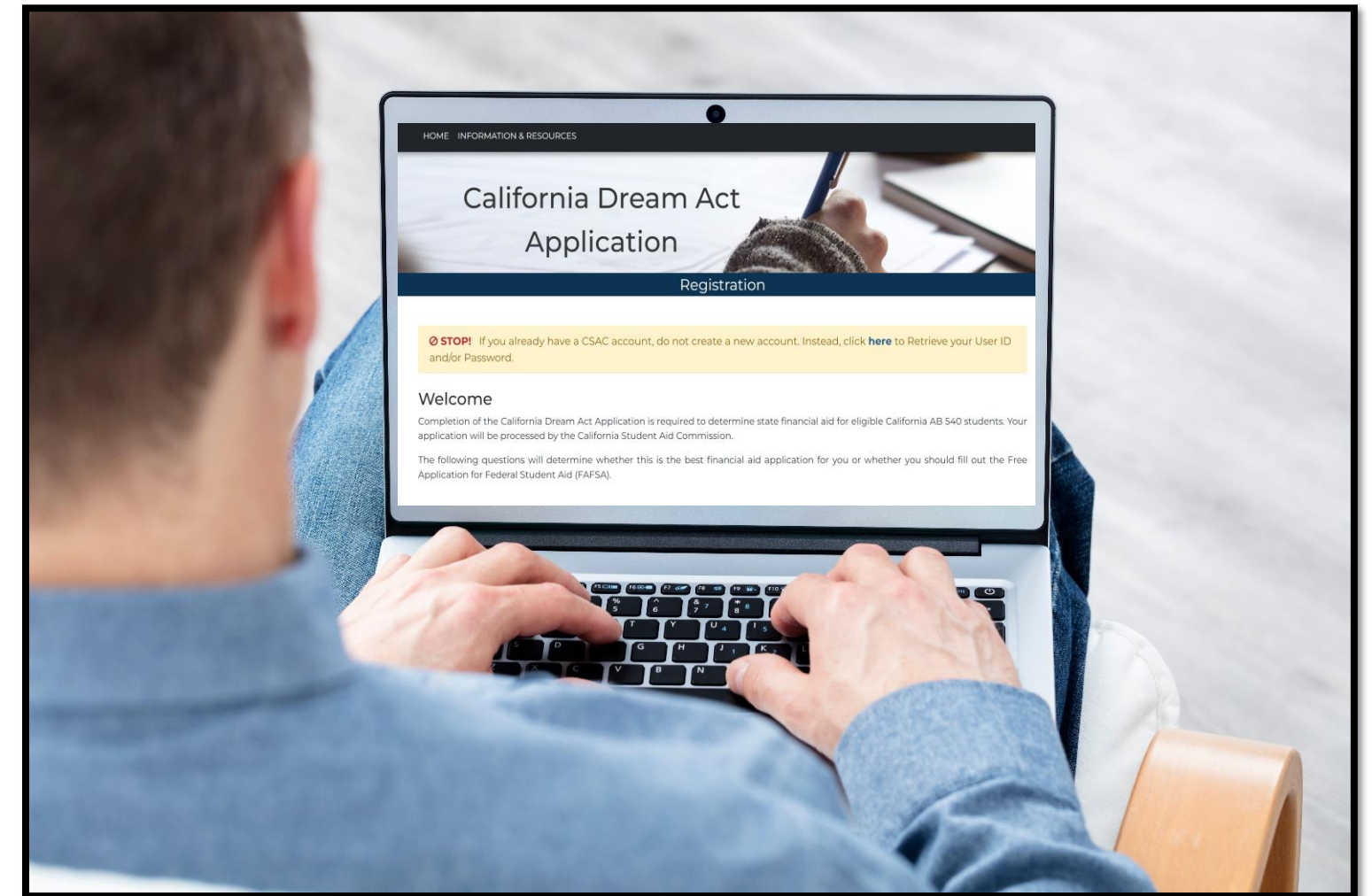
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**STUDENT ACCOUNT**

- Submit a CA Dream Act Application
- Update a previously submitted CA Dream Act Application
- Retrieve Username or Password

Login

**Need an Account?** Click [here](#) for first-time account registration.



Students will click [here](#) to start a new application

Applicants will be reminded not to create a new account if they already have a CSAC account

# 2024-25 California Dream Act Application

## Registration Process



# Completing the Registration

California Dream Act Application

Registration

**STOP!** If you already have a CSAC account, do not create a new account. Instead, click **here** to Retrieve your User ID and/or Password.

### Welcome

Completion of the California Dream Act Application is required to determine state financial aid for eligible California AB 540 students. Your application will be processed by the California Student Aid Commission.

The following questions will determine whether this is the best financial aid application for you or whether you should fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Continue

New applicants will click here to continue the application process

Clicking here will return the user to the CADAA home page

If a student has lost or forgotten their login information, they will need to contact CSAC Student Support

[studentsupport@csac.ca.gov](mailto:studentsupport@csac.ca.gov)  
888-224-7268

### Available Videos

- Account Recovery
- Creating an Account

WebGrants 4 Students: Account Recovery

YouTube · CaStudentAid · Jan 17, 2020

This training video will help you with:

1. Username recovery process through the WebGrants 4 Students webpage.
2. Password reset process through the WebGrants 4 Students webpage.

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# California Dream Act Application

## Registration

Do you have a social security number  Yes  No

If the student answers "Yes" to having a Social Security number, they will be asked if it is a DACA SSN on the following screen

# Completing the Registration

Did you obtain your social security number after the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) granted you Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status **and** you received your social security number through an Employment Authorization Card **and** your card states it is for work purposes only?  Yes  No

Deferred Action refers to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). More information on DACA can be found on USCIS website:

<https://www.uscis.gov/humanitarian/consideration-of-deferred-action-for-childhood-arrivals-daca>

and clicking the "Consideration of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Process" link.

Note: If you have Temporary Protected Status or hold a U Visa select "Yes"

# California Dream Act Application

## Registration

Do you have a social security number  Yes  No

If the student answers “No” to having a Social Security Number, they will be asked if they meet AB 540 criteria on the following screen. If a student does meet the criteria, they should check yes on the AB 540 question.

# Completing the Registration

Do you meet the AB540 criteria list below?  Yes  No

1. Satisfaction of either of the following:
  - A. High school attendance in California for three or more years, **OR**
  - B. Attainment of credits earned in California from a California high school equivalent to three or more years of full-time high school coursework and a total of three or more years of attendance in California elementary schools, California secondary schools, or a combination of those schools. **OR**
  - C. Attainment of credits earned at a California adult school, **OR**
  - D. Credits earned at a California Community College, **OR**
  - E. A combination of the schools listed above
2. Graduated or will graduate from a California high school, **OR** Attainment of General Education Development (GED), High School Equivalency Test (HiSET), Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC), **OR** Attainment of an associate degree from a California Community College, **OR** Fulfillment of minimum transfer requirements from a California Community College to a University of California or California State University, **AND**
3. Will register or enroll in an accredited and qualifying California college or university, **AND**
4. If applicable, complete(d) an affidavit to legalize immigration status as soon as you are eligible, **AND**
5. Do not hold a valid non-immigrant visa (F, J, H, L, A, B, C, D, E, etc.)\*

\*Note: If you have Temporary Protected Status or hold a U Visa select "Yes"

# California Dream Act Application

## Registration

Based on the responses you provided, you **are** eligible to file a California Dream Act Application.

Click the link below to begin your California Dream Act Application.

[Start Application](#)



If the student meets AB 540 criteria, based on how they responded to the skip logic questions, they will be able to start the application.

Note: If the student has indicated that they do not meet AB 540 criteria or CSAC is unable to determine their eligibility to complete a California Dream Act Application, they will receive the following message:

*“We encourage you to speak with your high school counselor or an administrator in the financial aid office at the college you plan to attend for guidance.”*

# California Dream Act Application

## Registration

Based on the responses you provided, you **are not** eligible to file a California Dream Act Application.

However, you may qualify for financial aid through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Please click the link below to be redirected to the FAFSA website:

[Visit FAFSA Website](#)



If the student does not meet the criteria, based on how they responded to the skip logic questions, they will be unable to start the application. A link to the FAFSA is provided.

## Completing the Registration

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# California Dream Act Application

## Registration

### Let's Get Started

Please complete the following form in order to continue. The minimum required fields are indicated with a red asterisk, although we recommend completing the entire form in order to expedite your application processing time.

Auto Hint

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

\* First Name ⓘ  
  
 First name is required

Middle Name ⓘ

\* Last Name ⓘ  
  
 Last name is required

\* Date of Birth ⓘ  
  
 Date of birth is required

# Completing the Registration

Auto Hint

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

\* First Name ⓘ  
  
 First name is required

**Help & Hints** ✕

Enter your FIRST NAME as it appears on your school ID card or if you have any of the following: California ID, California Driver License, Employment Authorization Card, Social Security Card or other government issued identification.

The **Auto Hint** feature can be toggled on and off. It defaults to 'on' in the CADAA registration section

When on, **Help & Hints** will be provided for many of the questions asked

Clicking on the ⓘ icon will also show **Help & Hints** for a particular question

Any question on the CADAA with a red asterisk \* requires an answer



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First name is required

Middle Name **i**

\* Last Name **i**  
  
Last name is required

\* Date of Birth **i**  
MM/DD/YYYY  
Date of birth is required

\* User ID  
  
Username is required  
(Length 8 characters, accepts Alphanumeric and \_ . - @)

#### STUDENT ADDRESS

\* Mailing Address **i**  
  
Address is required  
(Enter your street number and street name, or P.O. Box)

\* City  
  
City is required

\* State  
-- Select --  
State is required


\* Zip Code  
  
Zip code is required

#### STUDENT CONTACT

Phone Number **i**

\* Email Address **i**  
  
Email is required

\* Confirm Email Address **i**  
  
Confirm Email is required

I'm not a robot 

Register Clear

### Let's Get Started

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Last name is required

\* Date of Birth **i**  
  
Date of birth is required

\* User ID  
  
Username is available  
(Length 8 characters, accepts Alphanumeric and \_ . - @)

- Students should provide their proper, legal name as found on their documentation and/or birth certificate
- If the last name(s) exceed the space provided, students should just put as many letters as possible in that space
- The User ID will be confirmed as available by adding a green checkmark next to the provided name

# Next Steps...

1. Once a student has successfully completed the registration process and established their User ID, they will see a pop-up window advising them that the account has been created
2. Next, students must check their email for a link to create their password. Please note that the password link is for one-time use and is only valid for 24 hours.
3. Students will click on the link in the email message to enter and confirm their password.

**Check e-mail & follow pop-up instructions**

STUDENT CONTACT

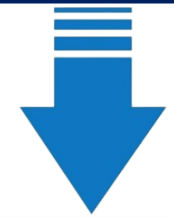
Phone Number ⓘ  
(915) 555-5555

\* Email Address ⓘ  
ROBERTGARCIA@GMAIL.COM

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ROBERTGARCIA@GMAIL.COM

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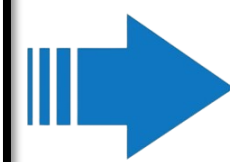
Register Clear



Application in process

Your user account is created successfully. Click on the OK button to go to the login page.  
Please check your email and follow instructions to activate your account.

OK



Password Change for New Account

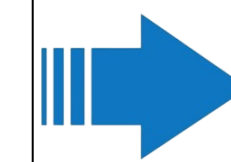
Dear CSAC User,

Please create your password for the newly created account with us.  
Please click the button below to create the password.

**Create Password**

Please note that the password link is for one-time use and is only valid for 24 hours.

Thanks,  
CSAC Team



Manage Password

The password must be between 6-24 characters in length and contain at least 1 uppercase letter, 1 lowercase letter, a number, and one or more characters from !@#%& list but cannot have all 3 characters !@# in the password in any order.

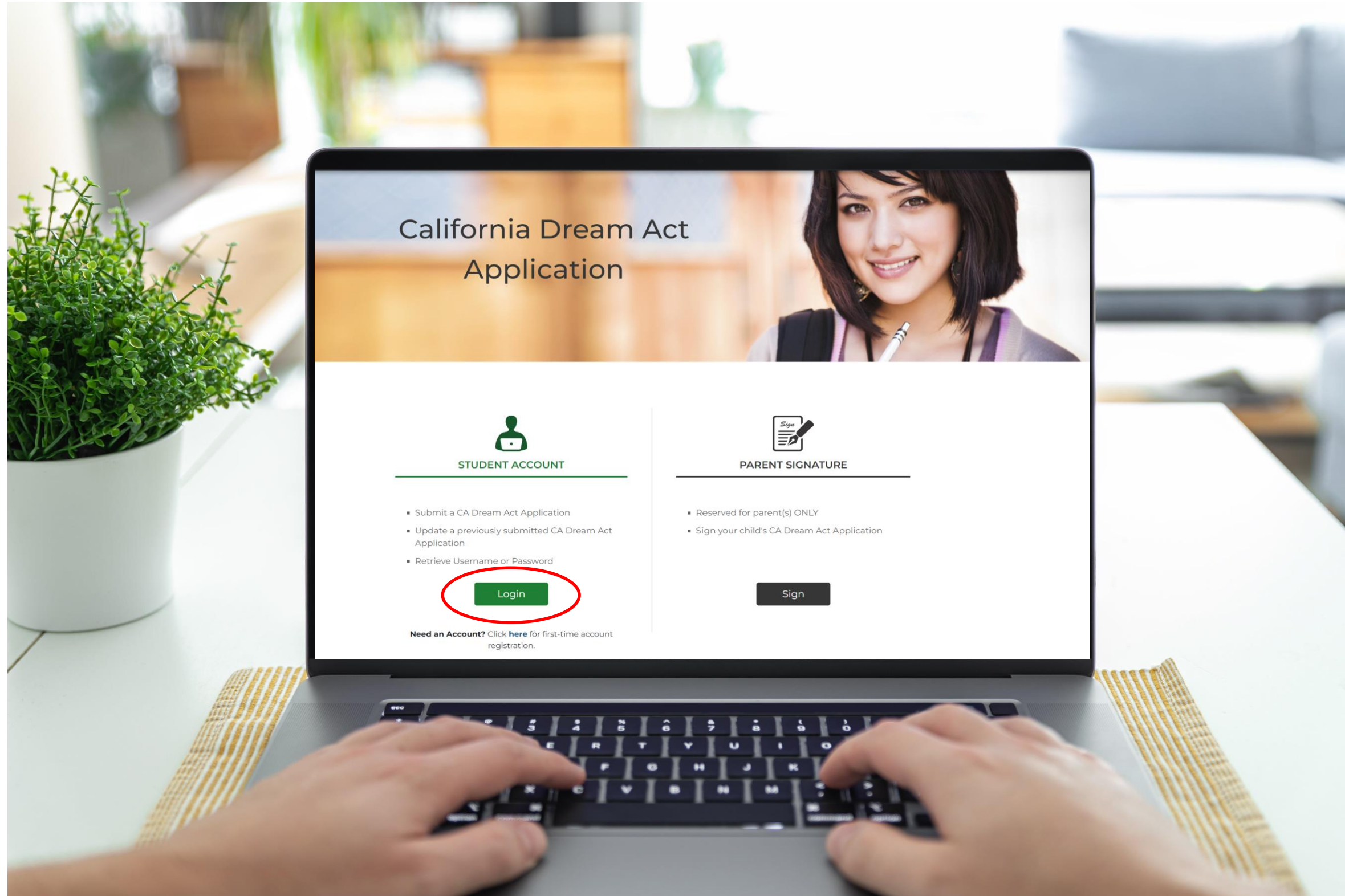
Enter New Password

Confirm password

Show Password

**Submit**

# Create Password & Security Questions



After creating the new password, students may log back into their online CADAA.

# Security Questions



Students will be asked to provide answers to three security questions, which can be used to recover their account if they forget their password.

We recommend that students write down this information (questions and answers) so they can remember it later.

## Security Questions

Answer the following challenge questions

### Challenge Question Set 1

Select one challenge question

What was the first name of your best friend in high school? ▾

Answers for challenge questions

Type your answers for the challenge questions

### Challenge Question Set 2

Select one challenge question

What is the name of the street you grew up on? ▾

Answers for challenge questions

Type your answers for the challenge questions

### Challenge Question Set 3

Select one challenge question

What is the name of your first Pet? ▾

Answers for challenge questions

Type your answers for the challenge questions

**Update**

### Challenge Question Set 1

Select one challenge question

What was the first name of your best friend in high school? ▾

What is your favorite book?

Who was your favorite cartoon character as a child?

**What was the first name of your best friend in high school?**

Type your answers for the challenge questions

### Challenge Question Set 2

Select one challenge question

What is the name of the street you grew up on? ▾

What elementary school did you attend?

What was your first car?

What was the first company that you worked for?

**What is the name of the street you grew up on?**

### Challenge Question Set 3

Select one challenge question

What is the name of your first Pet? ▾

If you could be any superhero, who would you be?

What was your favorite place to visit as a child?

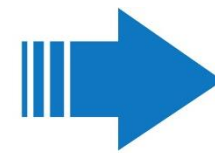
**What is the name of your first Pet?**

Type your answers for the challenge questions

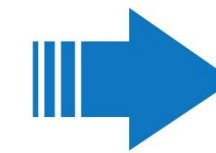
# CADAA Login Requires 2-Factor Authorization Every Time a Student Logs into Their Account



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The screenshot shows the 'One Time Password' page. At the top is a blue header with the CSAC logo. The main content area has the title 'One Time Password' and the text: 'Please use this one time password : 062434 to sign in to your account.' Below this, it says 'Thanks, CSAC Team'.



The screenshot shows the 'Email Verification' page. The title is 'Email Verification'. Below it, the text reads: 'Enter the code sent to your email (the email we used is the one you listed on your FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application). DO NOT CLOSE THIS WINDOW BEFORE YOU ENTER THE ONE TIME PASSCODE:'. There is a text input field with five dots inside. At the bottom right is a yellow 'Authenticate' button.

- 2-factor authorization is used each time the account is accessed
- A one-time password will be sent to the student every time they log into their California Dream Act Application
- Students will need to authenticate their account by providing the password they are sent into the space provided

# Completing the Application



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## California Dream Act Application



Students need to indicate which academic year(s) they are applying for.

**NOTE:** The academic year is when a student will begin attending college.

Current high school seniors will start college in the 2024-2025 academic year.

Welcome ROBERT GARCIA!

Completion of the California Dream Act Application is required to determine state financial aid for eligible California AB 540 students. Your application will be processed by the California Student Aid Commission

Which academic year application would you like to apply for?

You may choose to file a California Dream Act Application by the academic school year.

2024 - 2025 School Year

(July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025)

2023 - 2024 School Year

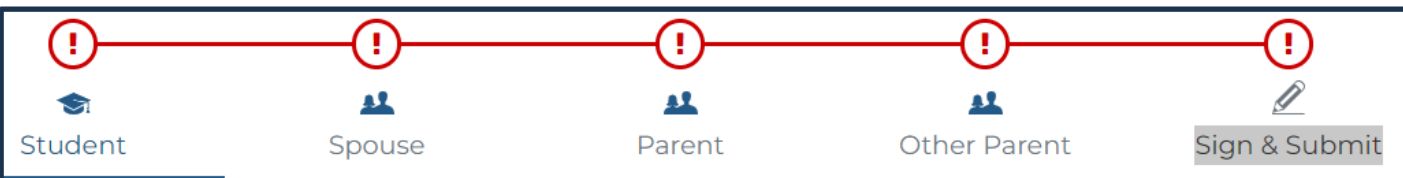
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(July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025)

2023 - 2024 School Year

(July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)



- Personal Identifiers !
- Personal Circumstances !
- Demographics !
- Financials !
- Colleges !
- AB540 Affidavit !

STUDENT IDENTITY

Your FIRST NAME \*

Your MIDDLE NAME

Your LAST NAME \*

Your SUFFIX ⓘ

Your Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) ⓘ  Show

Your DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) \*

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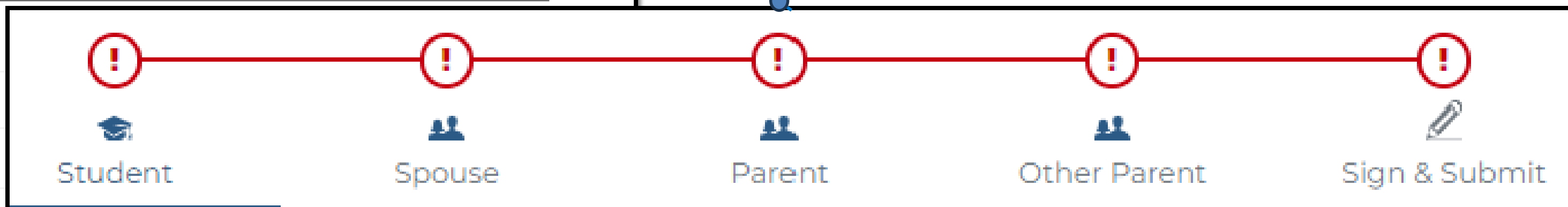
Save Application

Save & Logout

Logout

# Section 1 – Student Personal Identifiers

There are five sections to the CADAA, including the signature page. Not all sections may be need to be completed depending on the student's circumstances



A red exclamation point indicates there is an error(s) in a section or that it is incomplete

# Section 1 – Student Demographics



From what high school did you, or will you graduate?

Enter at least 3 letters of your school's name, select High School State and City, and then click the Search button.

To make edits to the high school listed, you must re-enter using the search function below.

Student Spouse Parent Other Parent Sign & Submit

Auto Hint

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HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

What will your high school complete by the end of the 25 school year? \* **High school diploma** ✓

Your Statewide Student Identification Number (SSID)

From what high school did, or will, you graduate?

Enter at least 3 letters of your school name and Select High School State, City and then click the Search button. To make edits to the high school listed, you must re-enter using the search function below.

What is the name of your high school?

High School State

High School City  City not in list

High School Name  School not in list

Select/Enter High School Name

School Name	City
El Camino Fundamental High School	SACRAMENTO

High school name should appear here





Personal Identifiers ✓ Personal Circumstances ✓ Demographics ✓ Financials ✓ **Colleges !** AB540 Affidavit !

STUDENT SCHOOL CHOICES

Are you interested in being considered for the California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) Program? **i**

Are you interested in being considered for the California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) Program? **i**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

College Selection. You can select up to 20 colleges (click on the information icon for instructions) **i**\*

Search By College Name

(click on the information icon for instructions) **i**

Search By School Code

(click on the information icon for instructions) **i**

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Save Application

Save & Logout

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# Section 1 – Student Colleges - DSIG Option



The California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant (DSIG) Program allows eligible California Dream Act Applicant (CADAA) students with a Cal Grant B award (or a Cal Grant A with B eligibility) to perform community or volunteer service. Students will be awarded up to \$4,500 per academic year.

The grant will be available to students for up to 8 semesters or up to 12 quarters while they have an active Cal Grant A or B award.

# Section 1 – Student Colleges

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Personal Identifiers ✓ Personal Circumstances ✓ Demographics ✓ Financials ✓ Colleges ! AB540 Affidavit !

## STUDENT SCHOOL CHOICES

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Yes  
 No  
 Don't Know

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 Search

Search By School Code  
(click on the information icon for instructions) **i**

 Add

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Save &amp; Logout

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- Students can list up to 20 colleges
- Search by college name, or enter UC or CSU to search by those segments
- If you know the 6-digit Federal School Code enter that number, plus two zeros “00” at the end
- Example: UC Davis 001313 should be entered as 00131300

# Section 1 – Student AB 540 Affidavit

The screenshot shows a progress bar at the top with five steps: Student (marked with a red exclamation mark), Spouse (marked with a green checkmark), Parent (marked with a red exclamation mark), Other Parent (marked with a red exclamation mark), and Sign & Submit (marked with a red exclamation mark). Below the progress bar is a navigation menu with tabs for Personal Identifiers, Personal Circumstances, Demographics, Financials, Colleges, and AB540 Affidavit (marked with a red exclamation mark). The main content area is titled "GRADUATION AND TRANSFER REQUIREMENT" and contains a paragraph of text explaining the purpose of the affidavit. Below the text are three questions, each with "Yes" and "No" radio button options. The first question asks if the student has graduated or will graduate with a California high school diploma or equivalent. The second question asks if the student has completed or will complete an associate degree from a California Community College. The third question asks if the student has completed or will complete the minimum requirements at a California Community College for transfer to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC). At the bottom of the form are buttons for "Previous", "Section 1 of 3", "Next", "Save Application", "Save & Logout", and "Logout".

Student Spouse Parent Other Parent Sign & Submit

Auto Hint

Personal Identifiers ✓ Personal Circumstances ✓ Demographics ✓ Financials ✓ Colleges ! AB540 Affidavit !

### GRADUATION AND TRANSFER REQUIREMENT

The following questions part of this "AB 540 Affidavit" subsection must be completed for campuses to determine if you are AB 540 eligible and thus, be exempt from paying non-resident tuition. To learn more about the AB 540 criteria, visit <https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/california-nonresident-tuition-exemption>. It is recommended, although not required, that you have your transcripts and school attendance records available to accurately complete the following set of questions about your eligibility for the Non-Resident Tuition Exemption (AB 540). Please note that your college is responsible for verifying your AB 540 eligibility, which may require submission of transcripts or other documentation to determine your eligibility. Check with the college's Admissions Office after you submit your CA Dream Act Application and before the term starts.

I have graduated or will graduate (before the first term of enrollment at the college/university) with a California high school diploma or the equivalent (i.e., California-issued GED, HiSET, TASC, or CHSPE). **i**

Yes  
 No

I completed or will complete (before the first term of enrollment at the college/university) an associate degree from a California Community College. **i**

Yes  
 No

I completed or will complete (before the first term of enrollment at the college/university) the minimum requirements at a California Community College for transfer to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC). **i**

Yes  
 No

Previous Section 1 of 3 Next

Save Application Save & Logout Logout

The AB 540 Affidavit is now imbedded in the California Dream Act Application. Students should complete it but will need to check with their college or university to see if additional steps are needed.

Students must meet graduation, time, and coursework requirements to fulfill affidavit

Note: All questions on each page must be answered to complete the section

# Section 1 – Student AB 540 Affidavit

Student Spouse Parent Other Parent Sign & Submit

Auto Hint

Personal Identifiers ✓ Personal Circumstances ✓ Demographics ! Financials ✓ Colleges ✓ ABS40 Affidavit ✓

### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Add Schools  
(click on the information icon for instructions) ⓘ

Enter School name \* ⓘ

Enter City \*

Select State \*

Enter Start Date \* MM/DD/YYYY

Enter End Date \* MM/DD/YYYY

**Add**

School List

SCHOOL NAME	CITY	STATE	START DATE	END DATE
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Save Application Save & Logout Logout

You must manually enter:

- The full and official name of each school/campus exactly as they are listed on your transcripts
- The city and state of where the school/campus is located
- the date that you were enrolled in each school/campus
- Refer to your transcripts for accuracy
- Ensure that the school name(s) are listed
- **Be sure to click the “Add” button to add your school!**

# 2024-25 California Dream Act Application Parent Section

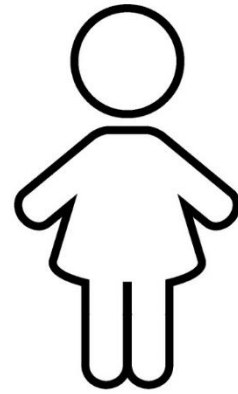


--SELECT--	✓
Never married	
Unmarried, living together	
Married (not separated)	
Remarried	
Divorced	
Separated	
Widowed	

## Section 3 – Parent

Who needs to provide information?

Only one parent's info needed:

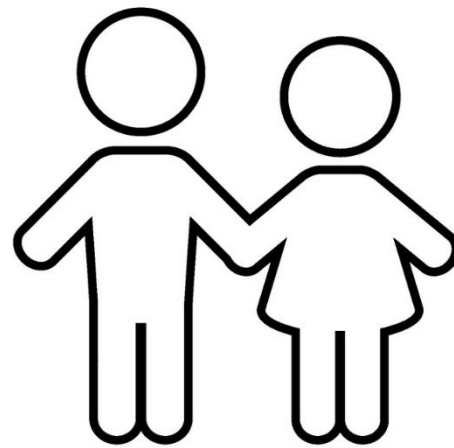


Student's parent is not married and not living with the other student's parent

Student's parent is divorced and has not remarried

Student's parents are separated and not living in the same household

Two parents' info needed:



Student's parents are not married, but are living together

Student's parents are married to each other

Student's parent is married/remarried to student's stepparent



Personal Identifiers ! Non-Financial Information ! Financials !

PARENT IDENTITY INFORMATION

Parent FIRST NAME \* *i*  Parent's First Name is required

Parent MIDDLE NAME *i*

Parent LAST NAME \* *i*

Parent SUFFIX *i*

Parent DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) \* *i*

Previous

Section 1 of 2

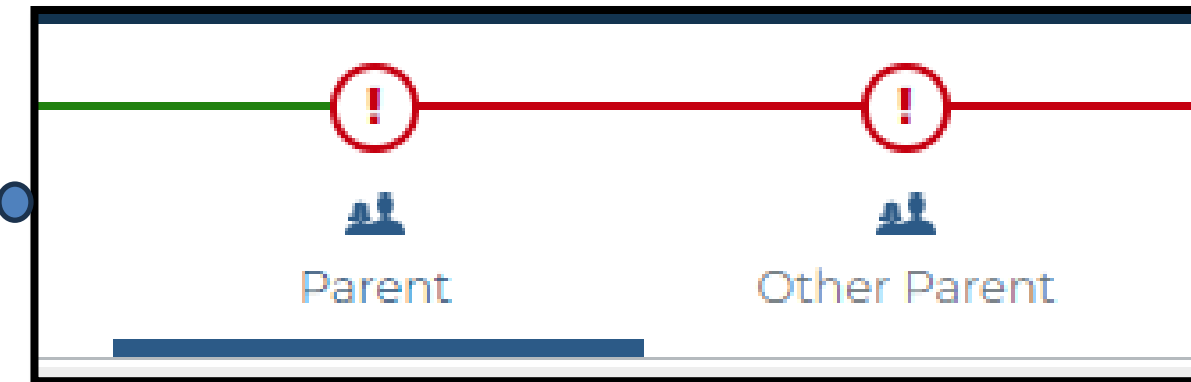
Next

Save Application

Save & Logout

Logout

# Section 3 – Parent



Note that the Parent section includes a 'Parent' and 'Other Parent' tab.

1. Parent(s) will first provide **PERSONAL IDENTIFIERS** (basic demographic information)
2. The parent or parents will next provide **NON-FINANCIAL INFORMATION**, such as marital status, state of residence and household size
3. Finally, the parent(s) will provide **FINANCIALS** including tax filing details (if taxes were filed) and current income and asset totals

# Section 3 – Parent Financials

If the parent(s) indicates they did not or will not file taxes they must specify which situation applies. They will still need to provide income earned, if any, for 2022.

## PARENT 2022 TAX RETURN INFORMATION

Did or will your parent file a 2022 IRS Form 1040 or 1040-NR?

(click on the information icon for instructions)\* 

Yes  No

If your parent did not and will not file a 2022 tax return, indicate which one of

-- SELECT -- 

-- SELECT --

Filed or will file a tax return with Puerto Rico or another U.S. territory

Filed or will file a foreign tax return

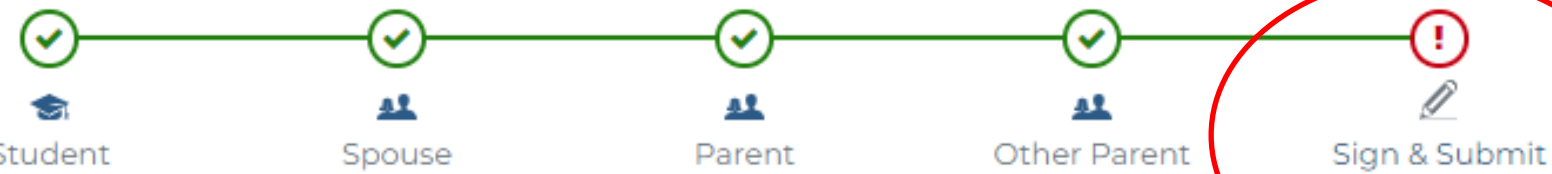
Did not and will not file a foreign tax return - earned income in a foreign country or employee of an international organization that did not require tax filing

Did not and will not file a U.S. tax return - earned U.S. income below the tax filing threshold

Did not and will not file a U.S. tax return - reasons other than low income

Did not and will not file any tax return - no earned income





Signature Confirmation CalSAR

## READ BEFORE PROCEEDING

By signing this application electronically or by signing a signature page and mailing it to us, YOU, as the STUDENT, certify that:

- You will use state student financial aid only to pay the cost of attending an institution of higher education;
- You are not in default on any student loan or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it;
- You do not owe money back on any student grant or have made satisfactory arrangements to repay it;
- You will notify your college if you default on any student loan; and
- You will not receive a Cal Grant from more than one college for the same period of time.

You agree, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form. This information may include U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file. Also, you certify that you understand that the State of California has the authority to verify information reported on this application with the Internal Revenue Service. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be subject to significant financial penalties, sent to prison, or both.

- I hereby declare that, if I am without a lawful immigration status, I have filed an application to legalize my immigration status or will file an application as soon as I am eligible to do so.

I, the undersigned, declare under penalty of perjury that the information I have provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this information will be used to determine my eligibility for the California Nonresident Tuition Exemption. I further understand that if any of the information is found to be false, I will be liable for payment of all nonresident tuition charges from which I was exempted and may be subject to disciplinary action by the College or University.

- By clicking Submit below, I am affirming that the information I listed on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that it is illegal to report false or misleading information. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Student Signature

ROBERT GARCIA

# Section 5 – Signature

## Student

Now that all sections are “green” (complete and error free) the student and the parent can sign the application.

Only one parent will sign the application. If they are not available to sign immediately, they may do so by logging back into the application from the home page.


Student must check the declaration box that states the student will move forward to legalize their immigration status.

Then, the student will check the second box that affirms the information on the application is correct.

At this point, the electronic student signature will populate.

Student Signature

ROBERT GARCIA

A Parent signature is required for your CA Dream Act Application to be fully processed. Please read the two options below and select the one that applies to you: \* 

- My parent/legal guardian can provide their signature now.
- I will submit my application now and will provide my parent signature later. I understand that my CA Dream Act Application will remain incomplete and will not be processed for financial aid consideration until my parent electronically signs my application.

Select the parent signing the application\*

- JULIA TRUJILLO GARCIA
- GEORGE GARCIA

READ BEFORE PROCEEDING

You agree, if asked, to provide information that will verify the accuracy of your completed form. This information may include U.S. or state income tax forms that you filed or are required to file. Also, you certify that you understand that the State of California has the authority to verify information reported on this application with the Internal Revenue Service.

If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be subject to significant financial penalties, sent to prison, and

- I am affirming that the information listed on the "Parent" section of my child's California Dream Act application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that it is illegal to report false or misleading information. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Parent Signature

George garcia

Submit

# Section 5 – Signature

## Parent

Next, the parent can sign. This process is greatly improved from previous versions of the California Dream Act Application.

Once signed and successfully submitted, students should see a pop-up confirming the application is being processed.

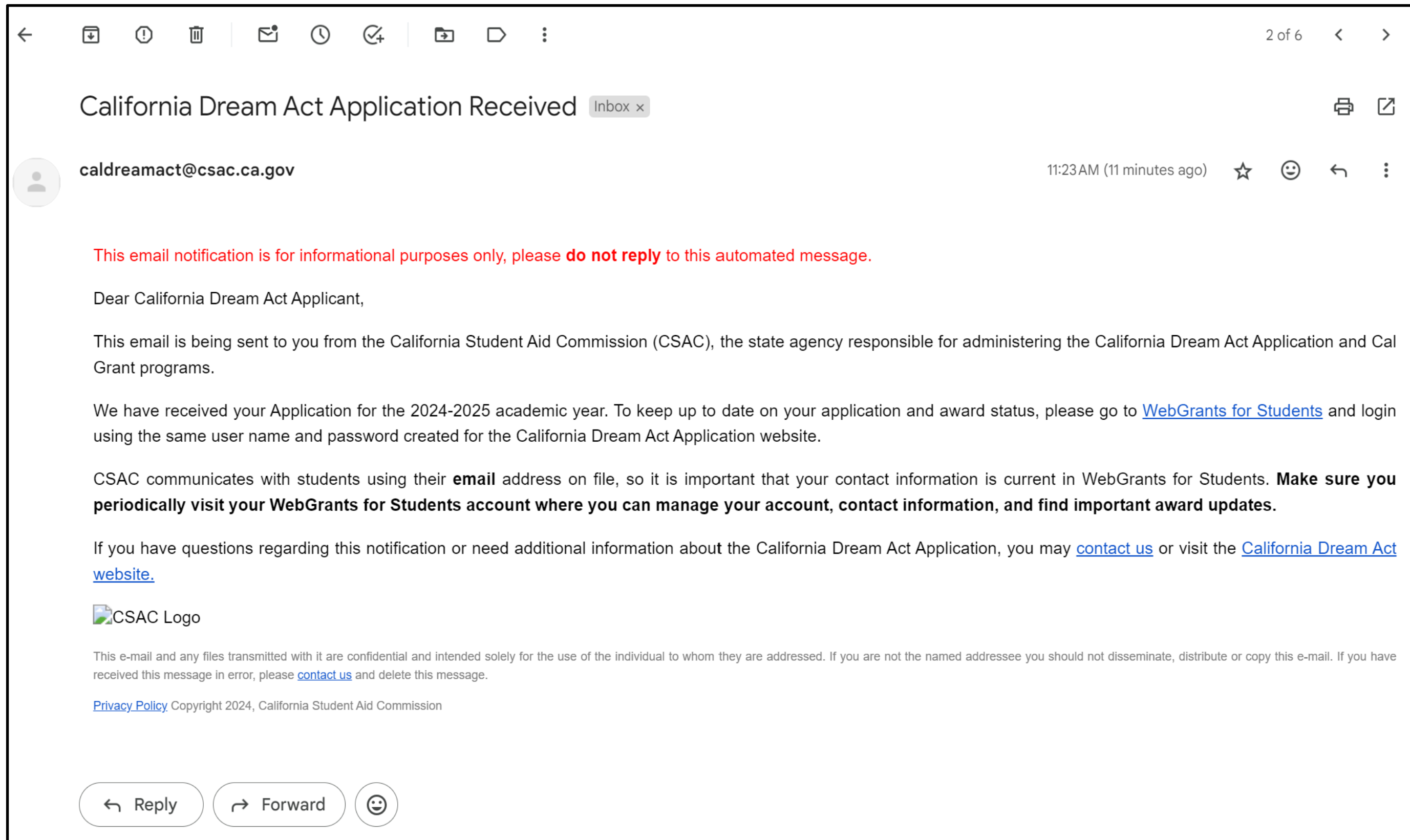
The application may take a full 24-hours to process, or more in some cases.

### Application in process

Your application is currently being processed and may take up to 24 hours to complete. Please wait until 01/09/2024 11:23:15 AM to make corrections or updates to your application.

Ok

# Email Confirmation that the CADAA was Received



Students should look for the confirmation email they will receive when the CADAA is successfully submitted

-   
Student
-   
Spouse
-   
Parent
-   
Other Parent
-   
Sign & Submit

Signature **Confirmation** CalSAR

2024 - 2025 CA Dream Act Application Confirmation Page

 PRINT

**ROBERT GARCIA**

**Transaction Date:** 01/06/2024

**CA Dream ID #:** 000226720

**Transaction Number:** 1

**SAI:** -1500

Section	Section	Comment Codes
I-Action Needed	I-Action Needed	000
III-Next Steps	III-Next Steps	405

Your application will be sent to the Admissions Office to ask if additional deadlines that you must meet.

**III-Next Steps**

No further action is needed. See Section III - Next Steps below.

Your college is responsible for verifying your AB 540 eligibility. Check with the college's Admissions Office before the term starts.

Any aid received can only be used at an eligible California institution. Be aware that the California Student Aid Commission and your college have the authority to request documentation from you or your parents to verify the responses entered on your Dream Application.

Logout

# Confirmation

The Confirmation Page will indicate if there are any additional steps the student must take. It will also show the student Dream Act ID, the pseudo-SSN used to administer aid at colleges and universities.

Academic Year **2024**

-   
Student
-   
Spouse
-   
Parent
-   
Other Parent
-   
Sign & Submit




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### Cal Student Aid Reports

Transaction Number

1

### Cal Student Aid Reports

Transaction Number	Submitted By	Processed	Print
3	Student and Parent	01/15/2024	
2	Student and Parent	01/08/2024	
1	Student and Parent	01/08/2024	

# Confirmation

## Cal Student Aid Report Page (CalSAR)

The CalSAR report will show each 'Transaction' i.e., when the application was updated.

Students can print a copy of any transaction.



## 2024 - 25 California Student Aid Report

The fields that are changed from last transaction are displayed in red.  
Parental data may still appear on the Cal SAR for applicant's that were initially deemed as a dependent student, but have changed to independent. However, only the student's information will be used in the determination of financial aid eligibility.

Dream ID: **000226720** Transaction Number: 1 SAI: **-1500**  
Submitted By: ROBERT GARCIA Submitted Date: 01/06/2024

Student First Name	ROBERT
Student Middle Name	
Student Last Name	GARCIA
Student Suffix	
Student Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)	
Student Date of Birth	20060101
Student Citizenship Status	Neither Citizen nor Eligible Non-citizen
Have a valid U Visa	No
Phone Number	9165555656
Opt-in to receive text messages from CSAC	Yes
Email Address	ROBERTGARCIA@GMAIL.COM
Street Address	PO BOX 666
City	SACRAMENTO
State of legal residence	CA
Zip Code	95842
Gender	Prefer not to answer
Primary language spoken at home	Prefer not to answer
State of legal residence	CA
When student started living in state selected	200801
Marital status	Single (Never married)
At the start of the 2024-25 academic year, what will your grade level be in college?	First Year (Freshman)

# Confirmation


## California Student Aid Report

The California Student Aid Report (Cal SAR) is available after the application has been submitted. It contains all the information that was submitted on the application, including:

The Dream ID 000226720

SAI (Student Aid Index) -1500

We recommend that students download and/or print a copy for their records


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# California Dream Act Application




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- Submit a CA Dream Act Application
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**PARENT SIGNATURE**

- Reserved for parent(s) ONLY
- Sign your child's CA Dream Act Application

[Sign](#)



**PARENT SIGNATURE**

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- Reserved for parent(s) ONLY
- Sign your child's CA Dream Act Application

Sign

- The Parent signature link remains part of the CADAA home page
- Parent(s) can access the signature section here if they need to sign the application



## Student Support

888-224-7268

[studentsupport@csac.ca.gov](mailto:studentsupport@csac.ca.gov)

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