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Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: Proposed Emergency Regulations for the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) Program

The California Student Aid Commission (Commission) approved the emergency regulations for the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) Program at its March 7, 2024, Commission meeting. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was posted on the [Commission's website](#) on Monday, March 11, 2024. The five-day public comment period began on Monday, March 11, 2024, and will conclude on **Friday, March 15, 2024**.

Summary of the Regulations

- Section 30080: Outlines various definitions used in the proposed regulations, including defining “MCS Program,” “Eligible Student,” “Enrollment Record,” and “California Resident.”
- Section 30081: Outlines institution responsibilities and process to assess applicant program eligibility based on statutory criteria which includes MCS policy and procedures, disbursements, and compliance with regulations.
- Section 30082: Outlines the Commission’s responsibilities and process which includes determining MCS award eligibility, providing record layouts and payment files, and instructing the institutions of any MCS Program changes.
- Section 30083: Outlines general MCS policies and guidelines regarding minimum scholarship amount, eligible teacher credential and fifth-year programs, and study abroad programs.

Inquiries or comments concerning the proposed amendments may be submitted by fax to (916) 464-6411 or by email to rulemaking@csac.ca.gov.

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