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## Update from the California Student Aid Commission

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TO: UC and CSU Financial Aid Administrators

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**SUBJECT: 2023-24 Middle Class Scholarship Enrollment File Layout**

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides an update on the 2023-24 Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) enrollment process. The 2023-24 MCS Enrollment File Layout has been finalized and it is posted on the [MCS technical documents page](#).

### 2023-24 MCS Awards

Will be determined based on the difference between the student's cost of attendance and the sum of the following amounts:

1. Other federal, state, institutional scholarships, grants, and fee waivers awarded to the student;
  - a. as well as any private scholarships awarded to the student that are in excess of the sum of items 2 and 3.
2. \$7,898 dollars reflecting an expected student contribution toward cost of attendance from work earnings or other resources.
3. 33% of the parents' contribution for dependent students with an annual household income greater than \$100,000 dollars.

### 2023-24 MCS Enrollment File Layout

- Field #9 has been expanded for campuses to report partial academic year attendance.
  - Campuses will no longer need to annualize other aid, or cost of attendance for students attending less than a full year.
  - CSAC will calculate MCS awards for the corresponding terms for students attending less than a full year.
- Field # 20 has been added for campuses to report total amount of private scholarships.
  - CSAC will use this value to calculate the excess portion to be counted towards the student's MCS award.

The Commission anticipates opening the 2023-24 MCS enrollment file submission in July 2023 and will provide additional details in a future communication.

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