

**CALIFORNIA EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY (CEFA)**  
**Academic Assistance Grant Program**

**PROPOSED REGULATIONS**

**Resolution No. 2005-07**  
**September 14, 2005**

**Introduction:**

Staff is seeking Authority approval of the proposed permanent regulations to file with the Office of Administrative Law (“OAL”).

**Background:**

In September 2002, the California Educational Facilities Authority Act (Act) was amended by Senate Bill No. 1624 authorizing up to \$2,000,000 of its fund balance to provide one-time grants to private colleges for a program of academic assistance to high school students. CEFA is responsible for the development and implementation of the Academic Assistance Grant Program (Program). The objective of the Program is to expand opportunities for low and very low-income students for post secondary education.

After surveying, gathering information, and meeting with eligible colleges in 2004, staff developed draft regulations, an application, and application overview/instructions. These documents were made available for a 45-day public comment beginning June 17, 2005 and ending on August 1, 2005. The majority of the comments received during this time were incorporated into a revised version of the regulations, application and overview. These documents were made available for a 15-day public comment period beginning August 2, 2005 and ending on August 17, 2005. The documents were again made available for a 15-day public comment period beginning August 30, 2005 and ending September 13, 2005. All comments received during the public comment periods have been reviewed and the majority of them have been incorporated into the Regulation Text (Tab A), the Application (Tab C) and the Application Overview and Instructions (Tab D).

**Summary of Changes:**

The proposed permanent regulations are similar to the draft regulations the Authority adopted in May of 2005. All changes can be viewed under Tab A and Tab D.

The documents attached are as follows:

Tab A: Marked to show Regulation Text.

Tab B: Clean copy of Regulation Text

Tab C: Application.

Tab D: Marked to show Application Overview and Instructions, incorporated by reference in proposed permanent regulations.

Tab E: Clean copy of Application Overview and Instructions, incorporated by reference in proposed permanent regulations.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Authority approve Resolution 2005-07 for the proposed CEFA Academic Assistance Grant Program permanent regulations, application and application overview and instructions for submission to the Office of Administrative Law for final approval.