

From: Washington College Grant (WSAC)
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Hello Financial Aid Colleagues,

We will be providing formal 2025 - 26 guidance once the Governor has signed the final budget. However, I wanted to provide some interim information for all of you regarding Bridge Grants as there seems to be some confusion because there were several different proposals during session.

The initial proposed House budget eliminated Bridge Grants effective 2025-26 while the proposed Senate Budget eliminated Bridge Grants in 2026-27. However, the final conference budget – which is SB5167 and is before the governor for consideration, signature and/or line item vetos – eliminates Bridge grants effective 25-26. There's a host of other bills related to state aid programs and the budget also pending signatures. None are not final until signed by the Governor. The Governor has until May 20 to take action on the bills before him.

We will provide formal 25-26 Guidance as soon as the budget and the bills that tie to it are signed by the Governor.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Best,
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