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Subject: Known SAI Miscalculation Issues for WASFA Filers

Good morning, everyone,

We want to inform the community of a few issues identified with SAI calculations for WASFA filers.

2025-26 Known WASFA SAI Calculation Issues

- 1. Maximum Pell Indicator 2 not triggered for dependent student with separated parents, who filed taxes, and who have an AGI greater than zero and less than or equal to 225% of the poverty guideline for the applicant's family size and state of legal residence.**
 - a. **Impact on SAI:** SAI is calculated higher than it should be and should be \$0.
 - b. **Estimated Fix Date:** December 2025

- 2. Maximum Pell Indicator triggered \$0 SAI to be calculated for independent students who did not file taxes, but whose spouse did file, or a student and spouse whose tax status is Married – Filing Separately.**
 - a. **Impact on SAI:** SAI is calculated lower than it should be, as it should not trigger maximum Pell eligibility and \$0 SAI. Spouse's income needs to be factored into the SAI calculation.
 - b. **Estimated Fix Date:** December 2025

2026-27 Known WASFA SAI Calculation Issues

- 1. Dependent student whose parent/s filed a foreign tax return, not including assets in the SAI calculation.**
 - a. **Impact on SAI:** SAI is calculated lower than it should be, as it should include assets.
 - b. **Estimated Fix Date:** Unknown

Our application vendor, Regent, has been notified and expects to resolve the 2025-26 SAI calculation discrepancies in December. The fix will include recalculating SAIs for affected students. For the 2026-27 calculations, we will notify the community once we have a date assigned to the fix.

Impact on State Financial Aid

Since state financial aid eligibility is based on income and family size, this issue should not impact awarded funds for 2025–26 and 2026-27; however, we do want to note that SAI changes could impact need.

Future Communication

Once the correction is deployed, we will send a follow-up communication and encourage you to review awards to ensure no over-awards occurred.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Take care,



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