

This letter is to notify you that the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) has received the information you reported on the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) for the 2008-09 school year.

### **Your Eligibility Status**

The announcement of your 2008-09 MAP eligibility has been placed in suspension status because of the date on which your FAFSA was received. Due to limited funding and current trends in the number of eligible applicants, ISAC must suspend the announcement of MAP grants to all students whose **initial** 2008-09 FAFSA is received by the federal processor **on or after July 26, 2008**. ISAC will continue to monitor the available funding throughout the academic year for the possibility of releasing records from suspension status.

In order to be prepared for the possible release of suspended records, you should carefully check your 2008-09 federal *Student Aid Report* (SAR) and follow the instructions that accompanied it. If you have any questions about your SAR, or need a duplicate copy of the document, call the U.S. Department of Education (ED) at 800.433.3243.

**The fact that the announcement of your 2008-09 MAP eligibility has been placed in suspension status does not affect any eligibility you may have for other state or federal aid programs.**

Should funding become available and only if you are eligible will an estimated MAP grant for 2008-09 appear on your financial aid award letter from your Illinois MAP-approved school [as long as the school is reported as one of the school choices on your 2008-09 federal *Student Aid Report* (SAR)]. A list of all Illinois MAP-approved schools can be accessed online at **collegezone.com**. The award letter from the school will be your only notification as to whether you will be receiving a MAP grant for 2008-09.

### **Filing Deadline for 2009-10 Academic Year – Apply Early**

In order to be considered for a full-year MAP grant for the next school year, the federal processor must receive the 2009-10 FAFSA no later than August 15, 2009. Please be aware that grant funding could be depleted before this date. Applicants may file electronically with FAFSA on the Web at **fafsa.ed.gov** but not before January 1, 2009.

To learn more about the financial aid process and available programs, visit us at **collegezone.com**, call an ISAC College Zone Counselor at 800.899.ISAC (4722), or send an e-mail message to [collegezone@isac.org](mailto:collegezone@isac.org).