

SAMPLE CLOSURE NOTICE – TEACH-OUT ARRANGEMENTS AVAILABLE

California regulations outline specific information that must be provided to students impacted by the closure of a private postsecondary educational institution. Institutions are encouraged to review Title 5, California Code of Regulations (5 CCR) section 76240 closely. Institutions may include in the notice additional information as needed to support an orderly closure process, such as how to obtain personal property, how long email accounts will be active, or other anticipated questions.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- This sample notice is appropriate only for those who have arranged for all impacted students to complete their programs at no additional cost at another institution.
- Key requirements and sample language are provided below for reference, but the notice must be adjusted to match the closure details.
- Institutions that participate in federal student financial aid programs must also provide students with information about those programs and institutional closures.

Pursuant to 5 CCR section 76240(f), institutions are required to send a copy of the notice to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education within five business days of it being sent to affected students. Notices may be sent to BPPE.closeschools@dca.ca.gov.

	REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION
<p>Dear Students,</p> <p>[NAME OF CLOSING INSTITUTION] will be closing on DATE. This notice is being sent to provide you with information about your options and your rights under the law.</p>	<p><i>Institutions are required to notify students in writing about the closure and the date of the closure. See: 5 CCR section 76240(c)(1)</i></p>
<p>Arrangements have been made for students to complete their programs at [NAME OF ALTERNATIVE INSTITUTION], located at [ADDRESS]. This institution can accommodate students in all impacted programs, at the same cost as the program you enrolled in. For assistance, please contact [NAME] at [CONTACT INFORMATION]. Additional information about these arrangements is attached.</p>	<p><i>If the closure impacts students' ability to complete their programs, institutions must notify students about any plans made to allow for program completion at an alternate institution. See: 5 CCR sections 76240(e)</i></p>
<p>If you choose not to participate in the teach-out program, you may be eligible to receive a partial refund for the portion of the program not completed. Please contact [NAME] at [CONTACT INFORMATION] if you have questions about the amount or timing of refund payments due to you. [NAME OF CLOSING INSTITUTION] will provide refunds in the form in which original payments were made within 45 days of closure.</p>	<p><i>If the closure impacts students' ability to complete their programs, institutions must notify students about their eligibility for refunds. See: 5 CCR section 76240(e)</i></p>
<p>Due to the closure of [NAME OF CLOSING INSTITUTION], you may be eligible to file a Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) claim. STRF is available to students who attended institutions approved by the Bureau for</p>	<p><i>If the closure impacts students' ability to complete their programs, institutions must inform students</i></p>

Private Postsecondary Education and who are harmed when their institutions or programs close. To file a claim online or to download an application, see: <https://www.bppe.ca.gov/students/strf.shtml>.

You may obtain copies of your financial aid and academic transcripts by contacting [NAME of custodian of records] at [physical address, email address, and phone number]. Certain records, like enrollment agreements and evidence of financial payments, may only be available for five years after closure. However, students' transcripts will be maintained permanently.

The Office of Student Assistance and Relief (OSAR) is available to support prospective students, current students, or past students of private postsecondary educational institutions in making informed decisions, understanding their rights, and navigating available services and relief options. OSAR may be reached by calling [toll-free telephone number] or by visiting www.osar.bppe.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

[INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAME]

about the Student Tuition Recovery Fund. See: 5 CCR section 76240(e)

Institutions are required to maintain student records and provide students access upon request. See: 5 CCR section 76240(c)(2)

Institutions are required to inform students about assistance available from the Office of Student Assistance and Relief. See: 5 CCR section 76240(c)(3)