

THE 4-YEAR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

A planning guide for 11th grade parents & students

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FOUR CHOICES - CCC, UC, CSU & PRIVATE/OUT OF STATE

1. CCC: Cuesta College

<http://www.cuesta.edu/>

2. UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (UC)

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/>

3. CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (CSU)

<http://csumentor.edu/>

4. PRIVATE & OUT OF STATE SCHOOLS

<http://www.commonapp.org/>

... & individual school websites

CCC: Cuesta College

<http://www.cuesta.edu/>

- ★ An excellent 1st choice
- ★ The Promise of a tuition free education!
- ★ Transfer agreements (CSU, UC and private)
- ★ Time to decide
- ★ Start Fresh
- ★ The perfect Back Up Plan

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (UC)

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/>

9 Campuses : Berkeley, UCLA, Davis, Santa Barbara, Merced, Riverside, San Diego, Santa Cruz & Irvine

14 Factors - the comprehensive review

1 Application

- ★ Self reported Grades
- ★ Test Scores
- ★ Insight Questions
- ★ Activities, Service and Awards

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (CSU)

<http://csumentor.edu/>

23 Campuses : *San Diego, LA, Pomona, Fresno, Chico, Sonoma, Humboldt, SF, San Jose, Stanislaus, East Bay, Bakersfield, Channel Islands, Dominguez Hills, Fullerton, Long Beach, Monterey Bay, Northridge, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Marcos, Maritime & Cal Poly, SLO.*

1 Application

- ★ **Self reported academic records**
- ★ **Test Scores**

PRIVATE & OUT OF STATE SCHOOLS

The Common Application - over 600 colleges & universities

<http://www.commonapp.org/>

- ★ One place to report all your application info & share it with different schools.
- ★ Must be “matched” to SLOHS Naviance Account
 - transcripts, school reports, teacher evaluations & letters of rec all *uploaded*

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. The right courses
2. Your best grades
3. Test Scores
4. Extracurriculars *-who are you?*

COURSE SELECTION AND GRADES

A. The Scholastic Requirement (GPA)

★ cumulative weighted GPA

★ UC/CSU GPA - 10th & 11th grade a-g courses

B. UC/CSU “a-g” Subject Requirements

<https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist#/list/search/all>

TESTING: COMPLETE THE ACT OR THE SAT

All colleges and universities will require either the SAT Reasoning Test or the ACT for all freshman applicants. Some schools will also require the SAT Subject Tests. If you have any questions about the testing requirements of specific campuses, contact the schools. The testing requirements are as follows:

OUT OF STATE & PRIVATE SCHOOLS

SAT
or
ACT

Subject tests- some require

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

SAT
or
ACT plus Writing

Subject tests not required
can add value to your app

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

SAT -no writing
or
ACT -no writing

THE ACT & THE SAT...

Create accounts and register for test dates...it's not too early!

→ ACT.org

→ CollegeBoard.com

ESSAYS, EXTRACURRICULARS, RECOMMENDATIONS, ETC.

- ★ **The College Selection Process**
- ★ **Summer Activities**
- ★ **Advantages of taking college courses**
- ★ **Senior Year Course of Study**
- ★ **Writing for UC and private schools**
- ★ ***Meaningful* community service**

FINANCIAL AID

Free Application for Federal Student Aid = FAFSA

Upcoming Changes to the 2017-18 FAFSA:

The 2017-18 FAFSA application period will open on October 1, 2016 and extend through June 30, 2017. Income from tax year 2015 will be used to complete the 2017-18 FAFSA. The 2017-18 FAFSA will be able to be filed earlier allowing students and their families to be provided with more timely communication and transparency about cost and out-of-pocket expenses.

SLOHS Resources:

Your Counselors Mrs. Ingles (A-G) Mrs. Benson (H-O) Mrs. Senecal (P-Z)

1. Meeting with all Juniors in October & December
2. Meet with Seniors in the Fall regarding post high school plans
3. SENIOR YEAR 101 -parent night
4. Individual and group follow-up meetings with Seniors
5. Present College Application Workshops in October
6. Individual help as needed throughout the application and selection process
7. After school College Application Sessions in October & November

The College & Career Center Mrs. Martin – College & Career Center Specialist

1. Scholarship information
2. College, technical school and military information
3. College Rep Visits!!
4. Career assessment resources

NAVIANCE -FAMILY CONNECTION

College & Career Planning Resource

SLOHS website <http://slohs.slcsd.org/>

- ★ **Counseling > Family Connection > use PowerSchool Login & password.**
- ★ **Courses Tab > View My Course Records & Manage My Course Plans**
- ★ **Links: SAT, ACT, CSU, UC & Common App, College Match**

...JUST BREATHE

What Can Parents Do to Help?

- ★ deadlines, emails, testing, SS#, etc
- ★ Online Resources
- ★ Love & Chores

http://www.ted.com/talks/julie_lythcott_haims_how_to_raise_successful_kids_without_over_parenting?utm_source=tedcomshare&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=tedsread

LIFE'S A JOURNEY . . . & SO IS HIGH SCHOOL

- ★ **ENCOURAGE** your student to do their very best at all times.
- ★ **BE REALISTIC** about time and talents when talking about reach colleges.
- ★ **CELEBRATE** in your child's successes and **SUPPORT** their shortcomings.
- ★ What teenagers **LEARN** along the way is just as important as their college enrollment.
- ★ Please encourage them to **ENJOY** high school.
- ★ *There is a college out there for everyone!*
- ★ we're here to **HELP**

THANK YOU!

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