

# Senior Year Timeline

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# A Little Bit About Us (College Advisers)

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We're here erryday!! In guidance Office period 1-6  
In Career Center @ Lunch & Afterschool

# 12th Grade Timeline: October - November

## Top Priorities

- Study/ take standardized tests (ACT/SAT)
- Complete 4 yr. College applications



**The California  
State University**



# First things first...

Do you know where you want to attend college?

- Community College/ Trade school
- 4 yr. Public College/ University
  - California State University (CSU)
  - University of California (UC)
- 4 yr. Private College/ University

College be like

You: Hey professor how you doing today?

Professor: It's on the syllabus

# Get ready to complete college applications

Finalize the list of colleges you plan to apply to

Tips:

- Campus visits
- Explore college websites
- Plan to apply to at least 8 schools (competitive & “most competitive”)
- → free/reduced lunch = free college applications (4 CSU, 4 UC)

Consider registering for multiple ACT/SAT test dates between Oct - Nov

# SAT & ACT



Test	Test Date	Deadline to Register
<b>SAT/SAT Subject Test</b> <a href="http://www.collegeboard.org">www.collegeboard.org</a>	Oct 6 Nov 3 Dec 1	Sep. 26 (Late Fee) Oct. 5 Nov. 2
<b>ACT (PLUS Writing)</b> <a href="http://www.actstudents.org">www.actstudents.org</a>	Oct. 27 Dec. 8	<b>Sept. 21 (Late Fee Oct 5)</b> Nov. 2 (Late Fee Nov 16)

Register **NOW** if you haven't already. Free/reduced lunch = fee waivers for SAT/ACT

# Emails & Account Logins

Make sure you have access to your professional Gmail & your college accounts Google Doc

- You will continue to use these for college applications, SAT/ACT registration, scholarships, etc.
- Make sure your username and passwords are appropriate for corresponding with colleges and employers

# Gather Information // Organize yourselves

Create a calendar with:

- Deadlines for college applications
- Deadlines for scholarships
- Deadlines for test registrations
- ACT/SAT test dates (& locations)
- Deadlines for financial aid applications

Gather information needed for completing applications:

- Parent information (income/ tax info), Date of Birth (DOB), Social Security Number (SSN) if available
- Unofficial transcript
- create/ update resume + brag sheet





**CALIFORNIA STATE  
UNIVERSITY**  
**EAST BAY**

# California State Universities (CSU):

**Apply Oct. 1-Nov. 30**

23 campus throughout California

Must meet the minimum CSU Eligibility Index:

$$\text{Univ. GPA} \times 800 + \text{SAT Math} + \text{SAT Reading} > \mathbf{2950}$$

**EOP: Educational Opportunity Program** → **YOU WILL APPLY**

- Supplemental short answer questions (500-1,000 characters)
- 2 letters of recommendation
- Additional support & benefits for first-generation, low-income



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# University of California (UC)

Application open, submit Nov. 1-Nov. 30

9 undergraduate campuses

Top 9% of the senior class from Alhambra High School will be guaranteed admission to at least one UC campus

Admissions: Holistic Review

- SAT/ ACT scores
- University GPA
- Rigorous coursework (Honors/AP)
- “Personal insight questions” = 4/8 questions, 350 *words* max for each

# Private/Independent Colleges/Universities

Applications now open, submission deadlines vary

Common Application: used to apply to many private colleges (but not all)

- University of Southern California (USC)
- Howard University
- La Verne University
- Penn State
- University of Oregon

Each school will vary in deadlines and supplemental material (essay/short questions) → research the college requirements in advance!

# 12th Grade Timeline: December

## Top Priorities

- Follow up on college applications
- Begin CADA/ FAFSA applications

when the only thing your body wants to do is  
sleep...  
but sleep ain't due tomorrow



# Following up on college applications

- **Check your portal and email frequently (!!!)**
- Colleges usually request addt'l docs / signed paperwork from you
- May need to request official docs / transcripts from others
  - Transcripts
  - Letters of recommendation

**Failing to submit requested documents by the deadline, your acceptance could be rescinded.**

# 12th Grade Timeline: January - February

## Top Priorities

- Complete financial aid application: CA Dream Act or FAFSA



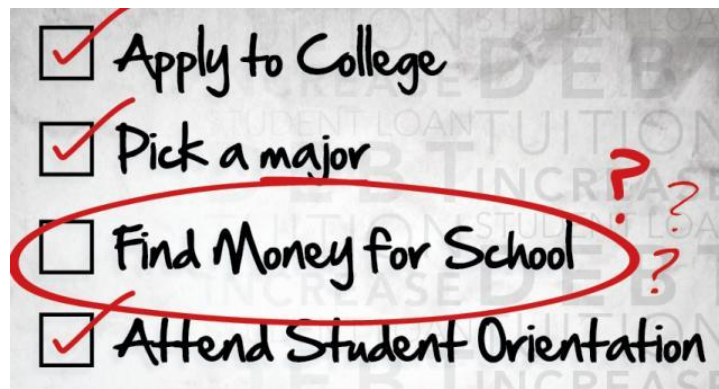


# Financial Aid

Applications open Oct. 1, deadline: March 2, 2018

Tips:

- Continue to research and apply for scholarships
- Don't let an essay hold you back from applying.. Just do it!
- Think about it: 2 hours of your time now could = hundreds of dollars (\$\$\$)  
// really good hourly rate



# 12th Grade Timeline: March - April - May

## Top Priorities

- Complete two year community college applications
- Sign up for Adelante Program at ELAC
  - LA Promise
    - Free Tuition
- Sign up to PCC Pathways program
- Complete supplemental verification forms



# Community College

Honors programs:

- Each community college offers an honors program
- Need a 3.0 and eligibility for English 101 for admissions to honors program

Student Support Programs:

- Adelante/ Pathways
- EOPS
- DSPS



# Community College: Options

**Option #1:** transfer to 4 yr. College /university

→ community colleges offer a low cost transition to a 4 yr. college

**Option #2:** Associate's Degree in Art / Associate's Degree in Science

**Options #3:** Career Tech Education Certificate Programs

# Community College: Application Deadlines

- Applications accepted throughout the year, but pay close attention to admission deadlines for specific programs (ex: PCC Honors: May 1, 2018)
- Online applications
- Require placement tests
- East Los Angeles City College (PCC):
  - Complete online orientation session
  - Take assessments at ELAC
  - ELAC Promise Pathways
    - 1st year at ELAC for FREE



# Senior Year: don't forget...

- Continue to get good grades (Cs or higher)
  - Some schools ask for 1st semester grades
  - D/F grades in A-G classes can get your admissions revoked
- Plan to take AP exams for any AP classes you're taking
  - You may be eligible to earn college credit // nothing to lose
- Attend college representative visits
  - Generally in the College & Career Center
- Check to see if the colleges you applied to have events to attend as admitted students and attend (if possible)

# App Lab(s)... coming soon!

- Attend senior workshops when possible, including financial aid
  - **App Workshops**
  - → October & November: college applications
  - → December- February: financial aid applications
- Be sure to check your email regularly, as well as your Student Portal for **each** school you apply to

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- For our announcements, words of advice/  
encouragement, and sometimes prizes!!!!