

Graduating Senior Checklist

Congratulations! You are on your way toward completing your **High School Diploma**. There are many options to consider upon graduation. It is important to think about **Post High School Plans**.

Whatever the choices may be, it is always important to pay attention to important dates and deadlines.

Visit www.MyCounselingConnection.com for more college/career planning information.



Name: _____ Grad Year: _____

Post High School Plans:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> UC | <input type="checkbox"/> CSU |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CA Private | <input type="checkbox"/> Community College |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational School/Occupational Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Military |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non CA 4 Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Non CA 2 Year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

Fall Semester

August-September

- Review transcript to ensure all courses completed are reflected. Discuss with teachers and counselor as needed. This includes summer school courses taken off campus -- another high school, adult school, or community college. Bring in all Official Transcripts to verify summer course completions.
- Review transcripts to ensure all requirements are met or on track for graduation:
 - Core Curriculum (A-G, CDE, Health, PE, 210 Credits)
 - Service Learning Requirement
 - Career Pathway
- Make sure fall semester courses meet graduation (and college admission) requirements.
- Register for fall semester Adult School, ROP, and/or Community College courses as needed. Get Concurrent Enrollment forms from counselor.

October-December

- If applying to 4-year college, **be sure to take the SAT and/or ACT by December**. Register for SAT at www.collegeboard.com; ACT at www.actstudent.org. Fee waivers are available!!
- Complete the Interest Inventory on NAVIANCE or at www.californiacolleges.edu if still undecided about college major and/or career plans. Keep track of progress toward completing A-G requirements for admission to UC/CSU.
- Attend College and Career Fairs as they are available.
- Apply to College
 - Apply to Community College via online application. Visit www.laccd.edu for Los Angeles community colleges. **** Apply for the EOPS program!!****
 - Complete CSU online application at <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply> by **November 30**. (Apply for EOP)
 - Complete UC online application at www.universityofcalifornia.edu by November 30.
 - Complete applications for private schools at www.commonapp.org. Deadlines vary.
- Go to www.fsaidth.gov to apply for a FAFSA ID (required for student and parent) before completing the FAFSA
- Complete the **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or **CADAA** (CA Dream Act Application – for students without a SSN).
 - FAFSA** – www.fafsa.ed.gov
 - CADAA** – <https://dream.csac.ca.gov>
- Visit www.csac.ca.gov to learn about Cal Grant options and to create a **Webgrants 4 Students** account to keep track of your Cal Grant Award.
- Apply for scholarships at www.fastweb.com.
- Complete off-campus fall semester coursework and bring in all Official Transcripts to verify course completions.

Spring Semester



Attend a **Cash for College Super Saturday Financial Aid Workshop Event**.
More information, including times and locations at
www.lacashforcollege.org.

January-February

- Get FREE FAFSA/CADAA Help!** Attend a **Cash For College Workshop**. More information, including times and locations, available at www.lacashforcollege.org.
- Make sure fall semester courses meet graduation (and college) admission requirements.
- Request and return transcripts of courses taken off campus (Adult School, Community College, etc).
- Register for spring semester Adult School, ROP, and/or Community College courses as needed. Get Concurrent Enrollment forms from counselor.
- Apply to Community College via online application. Visit www.laccd.edu for information about the various community colleges in Los Angeles. **** Apply for the EOPS program!! ****

March-April

- Complete FAFSA online application at www.fafsa.gov to apply for Federal Student Aid (Pell Grant, Student Loans, Federal Work Study) and Cal Grant. **OR for students without a SSN, visit www.caldreamact.org for information about how to apply for a Cal Grant. Deadline to apply is March 2.**
- Review and submit Student Aid Report (SAR) after FAFSA has been completed and submitted.
- Verify Cal Grant GPA has been submitted by checking online at <https://mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov>.
- Continue to apply to colleges – community college, private colleges, colleges with rolling admission
- Register for Extended Opportunity Program & Services (EOPS) if attending a community college.
- Register for a Summer Bridge/LA Promise Summer Experience program, register to take a summer school class, or participate in any other summer program offered at the college you plan to attend in the fall.

May-June

- Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) for UC, CSU, and most other colleges due May 1.
- Meet with counselor at school/college planning to attend in the fall.
- Complete off-campus spring semester coursework and bring in all Official Transcripts to verify course completion(s).

- Attend Senior Activities and Graduation! **Congratulations!!** 😊
- Request final high school transcripts to be sent to school/college planning to attend in the fall.
- Contact school/college regarding financial aid packages, scholarships, housing arrangements, and course schedule for the fall semester.

- Enjoy the summer...breathe, relax, say goodbye to high school friends and teachers...and look forward to the future that lies ahead! 😊



You're off to Great Places! You're off and away!

Kid, You'll Move Mountains!
Your mountain is waiting.
So...get on your way!
~ Dr. Seuss