

MUHSD COLLEGE AND CAREER 101

SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER

9 - 11TH GRADE

[MUHSD College & Scholarship Webpage](#)

CAL GRANT

SUMMER PROGRAMS

SCHOLARSHIPS

Cal Grant Awards are FREE money for students pursuing an undergraduate degree or vocational or career training.

It is required that schools submit grade point averages (GPAs) for students to the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) for Cal Grant consideration.

You have until January 31st of JUNIOR year to opt out of GPA Submission.

[California Student Aid Commission \(CSAC\)](#)
- Cal Grant Information

CAL GRANT

First Step for Financial Aid Application
Make sure your matches your name
sted in AERIES to avoid delays with your
financial aid

1. Make sure your [legal name](#) on your Social Security card or birth certificate matches your name listed in AERIES to avoid delays with your financial aid
2. **Get a headstart and create an FSAID during your Junior year.** You and one Parent/Guardian will need one. Be sure to save your username and password! [FAFSA](#)* (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) [Dream Act](#)* Application and info for students who are undocumented. Students without a Social Security Number will wait and fill out the CADAA [Dream Act](#) application during their senior year.



[Questbridge](#)- partnership program with the country's best colleges seeking high-achieving, low-income students
[COSMOS \(opens Jan 12th\)](#)- fosters students' interests, skills and awareness of educational and career options in STEM fields (look for application in January)
[LEDA](#)- Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America empowers a young exceptional leaders from under-resourced backgrounds
[STANFORD \(10th-12th\)](#)- provides students the chance to explore their passions

More Summer Programs:

- Fresno State Lyles College of Engineering
- UC Merced Summer
- CSU Stanislaus
- UCSF Fresno Bio-Med
- CSU Cal Poly EPIC: *Engineering Possibilities in College*
- Leadership Enterprise for a Diverse America
- UC Davis Pre-College Program
- Sacramento State Summer Program
- UC Berkeley Summer Program
- Harvard Summer
- Bezos Scholars Program
- **15 Best Value - College Summer Programs for HS Students**

COLLEGE & CAREER EXPLORATION INFO

- [Career Zone](#)- Explore careers
- [MyNextMove](#) - Explore careers
- [California Colleges](#)-Match Interest & Skills to college and career opportunities
- [Trade Schools](#)-Trade schools, Colleges, and Universities
- [Ca Private Colleges](#)-Links to 76 independent California Colleges
- [Big Future](#)- Explore majors and careers

4 YEAR COLLEGE INFO



goingmerry.com

(create your **FREE** account and profile now! MUHSD uses this as a host site for most local scholarships applied to senior year)

www.fastweb.com
www.collegeboard.org

[College Board Opportunity Scholarships](#)
Earn \$500-\$40,000!

A scholarship or grant is FREE money – you should never have to pay for one.



What to watch out for when looking for scholarships:

- Watch out for companies that make generous scholarship promises
- Charge you money to apply for or receive a scholarship,
- Try to get you to send money by claiming you're a finalist in a scholarship contest,
- Request your credit card or bank account number to hold a scholarship or grant for you.
- Be wary of free seminars that turn into high-pressure sales pitches for financial aid information that's readily available for free.
- Reputable companies neither guarantee scholarships nor use aggressive tactics.

[Federal Student Aid Help Videos](#)

Net Price Calculator

The Financial Aid Net Price Calculator provides an estimated Financial Aid Award Offer for prospective students. The estimated values produced by this tool are **not** the actual amounts that will be offered in your final Financial Aid Award Offer. All estimated values are subject to the availability of funding.

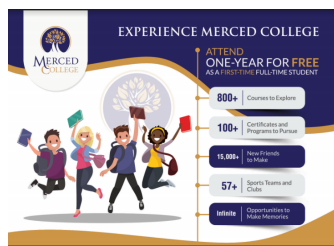
COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Community College Information

Check websites to explore opportunities and find out reasons to attend CC.

[Degrees & Programs at all CC](#)



K12- Enrollment at MC

A Degree with a Guarantee to Transfer!!

You can take Merced College classes NOW!

Take a look at the [Merced College Equivalent Courses list](#) for MC classes you can take for high school and college credits.

[Explore MC Degrees and Programs](#)



A-G

4 Year College Course Requirements

Must earn C's or better



[MUHSD Digital Course Catalog](#) is a great resource to utilize when you are choosing your schedule; filter by A-G, NCAA, etc.

4 YEAR COLLEGE INFO

University of California

California State Universities

Private Ca Colleges/Universities

Find the Right College for YOU

PSAT

Should I take the PSAT?

Many students take the PSAT, not only as preparation for the SAT taken in senior year but also to qualify for the **National Merit Scholarship Competition** during the Fall of 11th grade.



Testing requirements have recently changed for many colleges and programs. Make sure to check with your specific college if not UC or CSU.

Request your **FREE TRANSCRIPTS**
Letters of Recommendation
and complete your **Activity Record**
for Scholarships Now!
Essay Writing Tips

COLLEGE PLANNING

College Planning Checklist

Factors to Consider when Choosing a College

*Size *Location *Culture
*Costs *Academic Programs

University of California

[Explore UC](#)

[UC Admission Profiles](#)

[Personal Insight Questions](#)

California State Universities

[Impacted Majors & Campuses](#)

[Impacted Programs Matrix](#)

CA Private Colleges/Universities

[California Colleges](#)-Match Interest & Skills to COLLEGE and career opportunities (out of state included)

[Big Future](#)- Comprehensive College Search

EVENTS/RESOURCES

ATHLETICS IN COLLEGE

Planning to participate in athletics at a 4 year university?

You must register & Clear the clearinghouse's course requirements.

Check out these links and register:

[NCAA](#) and [NAIA](#)

Create a free NCAA III Profile [Here](#)

**If you want to play at or make an official visit to a Division I or II school, you need to transition to a certification account.*



OUT OF STATE COLLEGES

Explore & Apply to over 900 colleges with the [Common Application](#)

Include CA and OUT of STATE Colleges...Plus Career Exploration:
[CaliforniaColleges.edu](#)

America's largest regional interstate tuition savings program:

[Western Undergraduate Exchange \(WUE\)](#)



- Check websites for testing information for **Private and Out of State Schools**
- Some scholarship programs may require the SAT/ACT.
- Military Programs
- UC - University of California [Testing Update](#)
- CSU-Cal State University [Testing Update](#)
- **Fee Waivers Available See Our Office or Counselor!**
- [ACT](#) to register
- [SAT](#) to register

***Insider Tip:** You can take the SAT as many times as you want and the ACT up to 12 times. However, taking either test more than three times is not likely to help your score without test prep.



[Virtual College Fairs](#)

Need Help

North (AHS, BCHS & LHS)
[Appointment Link](#) for students

[Ms. Lanz](#) (Counselor)
[Mrs. Gleason](#) (Technician)

South (ECHS, GV & MHS)
[Appointment Link](#) for students

[Mrs. Ruiz](#) (Counselor)
[Mrs. Diele](#) (Technician)

Get help with Studying! Check out our free test prep sites:

- [Khan Academy](#)
- [Shmoop](#)
- [Number 2](#)
- [ACT Students](#)

High School Codes

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| AHS | 050172 |
| BCHS | 050181 |
| ECHS | 054697 |
| GVHS | 051953 |
| LHS | 051430 |