COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP & FINANCIAL AID

Fall Senior Newsletter 2022

FAFSA/CA Dream Act Application is a Graduation Requirement!

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

Completing FAFSA or CADAA is a

FINANCIAL AID

Graduation Requirement! All in for FAFSA/CADAA

Financial Aid Workshops

Presented by: Merced College, CSU Stanislaus & Cal-SOAP

FAFSA and Dream Act sessions are held in Spanish & English at 6PM

> **Parent Night Workshops** 6:00 pm Library/Cafeteria or GYM **Livingston - October 6** El Capitan - October 12 **Buhach Colony - October 20** Golden Valley - October 27 Atwater - November 3 **Merced High - November 9**

You will need your ChromeBook

Basic Financial Aid October 11th Zoom Session

What you need to complete your Financial aid application



Step One: get your FSA ID! Don't delay, do this **NOW**! Video: How to create an FSA ID

FAFSA

(Free Application for Federal Student Aid) OR

Dream Act

Application for students without Social Security Numbers.

UC & CSU Application Workshops October and November

> ECHS/GVHS/MHS Google Form to Sign up

> > AHS/BCHS/LHS

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Come Prepared

Create an account and start your apps at Cal State Apply and/or University of **California** prior to attending application workshops **Help Writing PIQ**

4 YEAR COLLEGE

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (UC)

Application Opened August 1st! **DEADLINE NOVEMBER 30TH**

- UC Application
- Personal Insight Questions
- Freshman Admit Data
- **Exam Requirements**
- UC Tuition & Financial Aid

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (CSU)

Application Opens October 1st! **DEADLINE NOVEMBER 30TH**

- CSU Application
- Impacted Majors & Campus
- **Choosing a Degree**
- **CSU App Fee Waiver Info**
- CSU Financial Aid Info

NEED HELP

North (AHS, BCHS & LHS)

Appointment Link Ms. Lanz (Counselor)

Mrs. Gleason (Technician)

South (ECHS, GV & MHS)

Appointment Link Mrs. Ruiz (Counselor)

Mrs. Diele (Technician)

SCHOLARSHIPS



Scholarships

Create a **Going Merry** Profile to be eligible for multiple **Scholarships**

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

America's largest regional interstate tuition savings program:

Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

Net Price Calculator

The Financial Aid Net Price Calculator provides an estimated Financial Aid Award Offer for prospective <u>Dream Act Help Video</u> <u>Federal Student Aid Help Videos</u>

CAL GRANT

Cal Grant GPAs for all seniors are electronically submitted to the California Student Aid Commission before Oct 1 by our office.

If you enrolled at one of our campuses after Oct. 1, please contact our office ASAP!

<u>FAFSA</u> or <u>Dream Act</u> Application must be received

by March 2nd, 2022 to qualify for Cal Grant



Create your Web Grant account @mygrantinfo

Income Ceiling Eligibility

Cal Grant Award Amounts

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Student MUST complete their FAFSA/Dream Act Application to qualify for College Promise, the Merced College Tuition Waiver

<u>Community College</u> Information <u>Merced College Application</u> Opens <u>November 1st</u>

MC4FREE -

College Promise

Full Time + First Time = Free



PRIVATE COLLEGES

<u>Ca Private Colleges</u> - Links to 76 Independent California Colleges

- *Many private colleges use the Common Application
- *Check Campuses for specific Requirements & Applications.
 - Letters of Recommendation
- CSS Profile (Financial Aid form for private colleges)

Application Deadlines Vary!

Harvard, Princeton, Yale Presentations, Q & A
Session

MIT admission info & Q & A

ATHLETICS IN COLLEGE

Planning to participate in athletics at a 4 year university?
You must be registered!

Check out these links and register:

NCAA and NAIA



College & Career Exploration Info

- → Career Zone Explore careers
- **California Colleges** Is the State's official college and career planning program.
- **○** College Scorecard Search and compare colleges and more
- → <u>Trade Schools</u>-Trade schools, Colleges, and Universities

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**.

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

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SAT/ACT are not required for UC and CSU admissions!

- Check websites for testing information for Private and Out of State Schools
- Some scholarship programs may require the SAT/ACT.
- Military Programs

ACT or SAT

Test Prep Websites

- > Khan Academy
- Shmoop
- > ACT Academy
- ➤ Test Prep Review

EVENTS/RESOURCES



Virtual College Fairs

California State University

Explore MC Degrees and Programs MUHSD Equivalent Courses with Merced College	Major Specific Resources Information Science and Data Analytics- BS San Jose State - Information Registration	College Night Meet with all 23 California State University campuses in one location. Learn key information regarding applications, financial aid and more. Monday, September 19 6:00 p.m8:00 p.m. Clovis Veterans Memorial District 808 4th St Clovis, California 93612