

Franklin High School Counseling Department  
Senior Planning Sheet

## Private Colleges

Franklin HS Code: 050824



- Explore private colleges and universities via their web sites. Visit [www.aiccu.edu](http://www.aiccu.edu) for links to private colleges **in California**.
- Make sure to check undergraduate admissions requirements.
- Review application requirements for colleges and universities of interest; many private colleges use the Common Application for admissions.
  - Launch Common Application at [www.CaliforniaCollege.edu](http://www.CaliforniaCollege.edu)
- Check the testing requirements for admission.

If taking, register for the SAT tests at: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) or the ACT at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

***Be sure to pick 4 colleges to send your scores to before testing for FREE***

<u>SAT 1 and 2:</u>	October 1, 2022	Register by: September 2, 2022
	November 5, 2022	Register by: October 7, 2022
	December 3, 2022	Register by: November 3, 2022

<u>ACT:</u>	October 22, 2022	Register by: September 16, 2022
	December 10, 2022	Register by: November 4, 2022

- Complete the College Board's **CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE** if your intended college requires it. After completing the application, the College Board sends the PROFILE to the colleges and scholarship programs you have chosen.  
See website for more information: <http://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile>

## Out of State Colleges & Universities

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- Explore out of state colleges and universities via their web sites.
- Make sure to check undergraduate admissions requirements.
- Check the testing requirements for admission.

If taking, register for the SAT tests at: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) or the ACT at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

## Historically Black Colleges & Universities

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- Explore Historically Black Colleges: <http://www.eduinonline.com>.  
Review application requirements of colleges and universities of interest; many private HBCU colleges use the Common Application for admissions.
- Check the testing requirements for admission.

If taking, register for the SAT tests at: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) or the ACT at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

- The Common Black College Application allows students to apply to any number of 67 HBCUs at the same time for only \$20. <https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/>

***Plan to attend EGUSD College/Career Fair on October 19<sup>th</sup> at Pleasant Grove HS***



# Private College Application Process

## ACADEMIC CRITERIA-

- Curriculum available at Franklin (Our School's profile)
- Standardized test scores (Check if your college/university of interest is requiring SAT/ACT)
- Remember you need your counselor to do a counselor portion of your application
  - Make sure you given them access and a letter of recommendation data sheet
    - With at least 2 weeks' notice
- You also need at least 2 teachers (usually academic), from different subjects, to do a teacher recommendation
  - Make sure you given them access and a letter of recommendation data sheet
    - With at least 2 weeks' notice

## COMMON APPLICATION PERSONAL STATEMENT/APPLICATION/ESSAY (PICK ONE)

1. Some students have a background, identity, interest, or talent that is so meaningful they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, then please share your story.
2. The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?
3. Reflect on a time when you questioned or challenged a belief or idea. What prompted your thinking? What was the outcome?
4. Reflect on something that someone has done for you that has made you happy or thankful in a surprising way. How has this gratitude affected or motivated you?
5. Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.
6. Describe a topic, idea, or concept you find so engaging that it makes you lose all track of time. Why does it captivate you? What or who do you turn to when you want to learn more?
7. Share an essay on any topic of your choice. It can be one you've already written, one that responds to a different prompt, or one of your own design.

## INTERVIEW TIPS/FIRST IMPRESSIONS ARE IMPORTANT

- Be on time
- Be prepared with ?'s about the college/major/ the interviewer's experience...

**NOTE: Not all private colleges use the Common Application.  
Check your college of interest for their application process.**