

Pre-College Calendar and Checklist

August – (Senior Year)

- ❑ UC applications are open August 1st – November 30th (Submission begins Nov 1st)

September – (Senior Year)

- ❑ Mark your calendar with registration, admissions, and financial aid deadlines and fees
- ❑ Meet with school representatives who visit your high school
- ❑ **HBCU College Fair – September 16th at Valley HS**
- ❑ Work on your admissions essays for UC's and/or private colleges
- ❑ Look at virtual tours of college campuses online
- ❑ IF NEEDED, take [SAT](#) and/or [ACT](#). If taking one, *send scores prior to testing for free*

October – (Senior Year)

- ❑ CSU applications are open October 1st – November 30th
- ❑ Los Rios Community College Applications open October 1st
- ❑ Attend college planning and/or financial aid information nights and college fairs
- ❑ **EGUSD College/Career Fair – Oct 19 at PGHS**
- ❑ Launch the FAFSA or the California Dream Act Application on www.CaliforniaColleges.edu Between October 1st–March 2nd
- ❑ **CSS Profile** (on Collegeboard) is needed for financial aid at many private universities
- ❑ IF NEEDED, [SAT](#) and/or [ACT](#) are offered in October
- ❑ If you haven't already done so, attend college planning and/or financial aid information nights and college fairs
- ❑ Finalize portfolios, audition tapes, writing samples, or other evidence of talent if required for admission
- ❑ EGUSD will send Cal Grant GPA's for all seniors automatically at the end of October

- ❑ Attend a California Cash for College workshop for free help completing the FAFSA and California Dream Act Application. For dates and locations, go to www.calgrants.org

November – (Senior Year)

- ❑ Complete admissions applications by their deadlines
- ❑ IF NEEDED, [SAT](#) is offered in November
- ❑ Check in with counselors and teachers to be sure they received your Common Application invite
- ❑ Give completed Letter of Recommendation Forms to employers, teachers, and counselors for your private college applications 2 weeks before the deadline
- ❑ CSU and UC applications end November 30th

December – (Senior Year)

- ❑ Finalize admission applications and **check deadlines** for private and out of state colleges
- ❑ *If taken, be sure SAT and/or ACT scores have been sent to all colleges*
- ❑ **Research and apply for other financial aid**, including grants and scholarships. (**EGRSF Applications open Dec 1st**)
- ❑ Watch for early admissions notices (they tend to arrive in December or January)

January – (Senior Year)

- ❑ ***READ ALL EMAILS!*** Be mindful of deadlines. Check college portals often.
- ❑ Check **To Do List** on every college applied to

February – (Senior Year)

- ❑ Watch for the e-mail notice indicating your [Student Aid Report \(SAR\)](#) is ready
- ❑ Create Cal Grant account on <https://mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov/>
- ❑ Check requirements for Math and/or English assessment testing for each college you've applied to

March – (Senior Year)

- ❑ Complete FAFSA or CADAA by March 2nd
- ❑ Narrow your school choices
- ❑ Make campus visits if possible
- ❑ Be on the lookout for acceptance emails/letters

April – (Senior Year)

- ❑ Make your final school decision and mail deposits, as required. (May 1st for most colleges)
- ❑ Plan for registration, orientation, and housing, and mark your calendar with important dates
- ❑ Complete the Counseling Wall of Fame Survey

May – (Senior Year)

- ❑ Be aware of any summer orientation sessions that you must attend at the school in which you will enroll, and make plans accordingly
- ❑ Complete final transcript request form and turn into [Registrar](#)
- ❑ Verify HS Graduation on Cal Grant account

