

# CANYON CREST ACADEMY Counseling, College & Career Center

Our commitment is to provide students and parents with news and events. A link to this newsletter can be found on CCA's website. Additionally, a copy is delivered bi-monthly to your <u>Naviance</u> account inbox. We encourage you to sign into your Naviance account as it has information which may be helpful in your college and career planning.

Students who have not registered for Naviance can login by clicking *I need to register* and entering the student ID# for *New User*. Parents may login by entering the student's ID# followed by a letter *p* (ex: 123456p). For returning users who forget passwords, click the *forgot your password* link on the Naviance page. If you need assistance, please contact Darlene Burton.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

<u>PSAT SCORES:</u> If your 9<sup>th</sup> and/or 11<sup>th</sup> grade student participated in taking the PSAT in October, they will receive their results next week during 2<sup>nd</sup> period. Students with an unscheduled 2<sup>nd</sup> period will be called in during the course of the day and handed results directly.

- 1/03 AP Exam Registration is open. Regular registration runs through March 17, 2017. Regular registration cost is \$111 per exam (administrative costs included). Late registration runs through March 28, 2017. Cost per exam during late registration is \$145. No orders will be accepted after March 28. No student will be excluded from taking AP tests in SDUHSD due to financial concerns. AP Fee Reduction applications are available but must be applied BEFORE the deadline for registration. The deadline for AP Fee Reduction applications is March 14, 2017. Students who wish to request an AP Fee Reduction application should contact CCA AP Bernard Steinberger. Visit <a href="http://www.sduhsdapexams.com/">http://www.sduhsdapexams.com/</a> for detailed information.
- 1/17 Spring Term Course Change Request: The advance window to request class changes for spring term is 1/20 January 17-20. Students may submit a class change request form for the following:
  - Level changes between College Prep. and Honors /AP
  - Adding an academic intervention class
  - Repeating classes that a student has not passed
  - Adding a class to meet high school graduation requirements or for college eligibility requirements.
  - Dropping a class for a free period
  - Switching electives within the same period only; *very* limited availability due to master schedule.

The required form will be posted to the Counseling website on Jan. 17 (Parent signature is required – please print at home and obtain signature prior to turning in to Counseling.)

Please note, the spring master schedule is in progress and there may still be changes to periods and alternates. Counselors are not able to address spring term schedule change requests by phone or email. All other course change requests will be addressed during the two-week add/drop period.

1/26 Final Exams (Periods 1 & 2); School dismisses at 12:25 PM

1/27 Final Exams (Periods 3 & 4); School dismisses at 12:25 PM; 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Ends.

# REMINDERS FOR SENIORS

Please use the 4-Year College Checklist and the College App (by type) Guide, both available in Naviance, to make sure that you don't miss any application steps. Reminders:

- Make sure to send official SAT or ACT scores to all colleges to which you are applying.
- Pay careful attention to all emails and instructions from each college. They may request additional materials or note that they have not received required items.
- Teachers and counselors are *not* notified of any changes to your Naviance or Common App college lists. If you need to make changes, you must see your teacher(s)/counselor in person to follow-up.

- Withdrawing Apps After ED Admission: When students apply under an Early Decision plan, they agree to withdraw their applications to other colleges if admitted. To do this, students must contact these other colleges directly. To withdraw or cancel a UC application, contact each school per instructions here. The Common Application does not have a mechanism for withdrawing submitted applications. (Students seeking financial aid do not need to withdraw other applications until they have received notification about financial aid from the admitting Early Decision institution.) College applications cannot be deleted or canceled in Naviance, but students who commit to an ED school should notify their counselor and teachers, set their attending college and update results in Naviance.
- **Update your Naviance account as you receive admissions decisions.** To edit/update, click on the pencil icon next to any college under *Colleges I'm Applying to*, select the decision from the drop-down menu, and click *update* at the bottom of the page.

#### MIRACOSTA COLLEGE NEWS

MIRACOSTA STUDENT AMBASSADOR: Available in the College & Career Center on Fridays from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM to answer questions students have regarding MiraCosta College and California community colleges. Students may drop by or make an appointment. Sign-up sheets are located in the C&CC.

#### COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTING INFORMATION

- <u>SAT</u> <u>January 21, 2017</u> is the next test date for the SAT and SAT Subject Tests. **Regular registration is closed. Late registration closes January 10, 2017.**
- <u>ACT</u> <u>February 11, 2017</u> is the next available ACT test date. Regular registration closes January 13. Late registration closes January 20; late fee applies.

**CCA's school code is 050893.** Students requiring an SAT/ACT *fee waiver* can obtain one from the Counseling Secretary, or from Ms. Burton in the College & Career Center.

FREE TEST PREP: Test prep books for SAT/Subject Tests, ACT and AP exams are available for check out in the College & Career Center. Please also visit the CollegeBoard and ACT websites for many *Free* Test Prep resources.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

**ALL GRADES:** While most scholarship opportunities are for seniors, several are open to other grade levels. Scholarship Opportunities are posted in your Naviance account under the COLLEGES tab, third section, SCHOLARSHIP LIST. Please log in to Naviance to view details and instructions. Naviance provides a *Browse by category* feature for sorting grade level opportunities.

Jan/Feb Deadlines: Safe Jobs for Youth Poster Contest & Safe Jobs for Youth Video Public Service Announcement Contest; Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund; Kyoto Prize Scholarship 2017; Prindle Institute High School Essay Competition; Jeff Krosnoff Memorial Scholarship; RMHC/HACER; US JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship Program; Bank of America 2017 Student Leader Program (juniors & seniors); ACEC & City of San Diego Public Works Dept of Engineering; California Coastal Art & Poetry contest; Princeton Prize in Race Relations; Cox Cares 2017; San Diego Foundation Scholarships; Distinguished Young Women San Diego (juniors); San Diego County Salute to Education; Brad Fowler Memorial Scholarship; Scholarships for Military Children; Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Chkoir; Sejong Writing Competition; Athena Pinnacle.

SENIORS: The San Diego Foundation's Common Application Scholarship is now open. The Common Scholarship Application uses one online form to access more than 100 scholarships. Deadline to apply: 2/1/2017.

# **ENRICHMENT/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

ALL GRADES: Details regarding enrichment/volunteer/summer opportunities are posted in Naviance under the COLLEGES tab, second section, ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS. Some programs have early deadlines!

**CURRENT SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS:** The Marine Technology Society's Summer Internship Program is now open. This is a PAID internship opportunity for students with a strong interest in engineering. **Deadline to apply is Jan 15.** 

ALL GRADES: The California State Summer School for the Arts (CSSSA) application is now open. Seven art categories: animation, creative writing, dance, film & video, music, theatre, visual arts. Program is subsidized by the state.

Jan/Feb Deadlines: Helen Woodward Animal Center; 2017 High School Diplomats at Princeton; TASS- Telluride Summer Program for Sophomores; TASP – Telluride Summer Program for Juniors; Yale Young Global Scholars Program; RSI – Research Science Institute at MIT; Marine Technology Society–Student Summer Internship Program; Bank of America 2017 Student Leader Program (current Juniors & Seniors); Clark Scholars Program; CSSSA (CA State Summer School for the Arts); MIT Launch.

## REMINDERS

<u>ALL STUDENTS:</u> CCA does not provide or sell student or family information. Beware of for-profit or scam programs for test prep and financial aid services, student leadership programs, etc.

TO STAY INFORMED, PLEASE VISIT THE FOLLOWING LINKS:

Daily Bulletin

**Aeries Portal** 

**CCA Counseling Website** 

**CCA Foundation** Many Counseling, College & Career services are funded by the CCA Foundation, including College Night and grade-specific evening presentations. For more information on how to support the Counseling Department please visit the <u>CCA Foundation</u> website.