



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 [Naviance](#) 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 MARCH

[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. For detailed information visit <http://www.sduhsdapexams.com/>.

- 3/06 **SDUHSD High School Selection** closes 3/06/17 at 4:00pm. Additional information is posted on the [SDUHSD](#) website. Students currently in grades 9-11 who wish to remain at the same high school for the 2017-2018 school year, **DO NOT** need to participate in the selection process.
- 3/7-8 **2016-2017 COURSE SELECTION** - Counselors will present 2017-2018 course selection information and procedures to all grade levels during periods 1-3. Grade level course selection contracts will be distributed at the presentation. The Aeries window for online course selection will be open 3/7-3/20. **Complete & signed course selection contracts are due no later than 3/20/2017 to the Counseling Secretary in the Student Services Building.**
- 3/7-8 **11th Grade Student Presentations** - Counselors will meet with ALL JUNIORS during the school day in the Proscenium Theater to review high school graduation requirements, post-high school options, 4-year college entrance requirements, as well as explain how to create a "college list" using Naviance, and provide preliminary guidance for the upcoming college application process.
- 3/7 **11th Grade Parent Presentation** - A presentation for PARENTS of 11th grade students will be offered on **Tuesday, March 7th at 6:30 pm in the Proscenium Theater.** Counselors will share information pertinent to the junior year, including college entrance requirements, information about college admissions testing, explore relevant features in Naviance, and provide a preview of the college application process, including creating a college list.
- 3/17 **Last Day to Drop a Class with a "W"** - Per Board Policy 5121/AR-1, no class may be dropped/withdrawn within 15 school days for the 4 x 4 schedule of the final marking period, nor may any class be added for transfer units within 15 school days of the final marking period.

PLANNING AHEAD – OFF SITE EVENT:

- 4/24 **SDUHSD College Night & Fair** - The 6th Annual [SDUHSD College Night and Fair](#) will be held on Monday, April 24th, 2017 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds from 6:30pm-9:00pm. This annual event is sponsored by the San Dieguito Union High School District, serving the students of Canyon Crest Academy, La Costa Canyon High School, San Dieguito Academy, Sunset High School/North Coast Academy and Torrey Pines High School. Admission is free.

REMINDERS FOR SENIORS

Congratulations to the seniors - the end of the college application period is in sight! This year counselors wrote over 300 letters of recommendation, submitted over 1900 mid-year reports and processed applications for over 400 seniors with over 5000 college applications. It is an exciting time and we are proud of all the hard work that CCA students have accomplished!

CSU APPLICANTS: If you applied to a California State University it is time to verify your ELM (Entry Level Math) and EPT (English Proficiency Test) standing. The deadline to take the CSU placement exams is May 6, 2017 and registration closes two weeks prior or when they have reached capacity. For detailed information on the tests, who needs to take the tests and how to find out if you are exempt, visit: <http://www.ets.org/csu/about> or login to your CSU student portal.

Cal State San Marcos will be hosting an ELM workshop for seniors who need to take the Entry Level Math (ELM) exam. Workshops are free to attend and students do not need to register. Workshops will be held on Fridays, March 10, March 17, and April 7, 2017 from 2:30pm-5:00pm and on Saturdays, April 15, April 22, April 29, 2017 from 10am-1:00pm. Location: CSUSM-Math Lab in the Kellogg Library 1109.

UPDATE YOUR ADMISSIONS RESULTS IN NAVIANCE: Some of you have already received admission decisions from one or more of your colleges. The majority of decisions will arrive later this month. Please keep your Naviance account updated. Selecting the edit icon for any of the colleges in your "applying to" list will open the edit applications page displaying all of the schools to which you applied. Update the "Result" and, if applicable, the "App Type." If you did not apply to a school in your list, select "Withdrawn" under "Result."

MIRACOSTA COLLEGE NEWS

MIRACOSTA STUDENT AMBASSADOR: Available in the College & Career Center on Fridays from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Students may drop by or make an appointment. Sign-up sheets are located in the C&CC.

- 3/13 MiraCosta Transfer Center Workshop: 6:30 – 8:00 pm in the Learning Commons Annex Classroom. While presented by MiraCosta College (MCC) staff, this workshop is applicable for all students planning to attend community college after high school graduation. Transfer information for the UC's, CSU's and private institutions will be presented. Parents are welcome to attend.
- 3/15 MiraCosta Application Workshop: 8:00 – 9:30 am in the College & Career Center. MiraCosta College Outreach staff will be available to walk students through the application process and ensure that it is completed correctly. The workshop will cover the process of including high school transcript information in your application which can be used as an alternative to taking the placement tests. Students should have their full social security number when completing the application, a copy of their transcript or access to Aeries. (Students who do not have a social security number can still apply.)
- 3/29 Assessment testing (math or English) 7:45 – 9:30 am in the Learning Commons Annex Classroom: The English placement test is now web based and will be completed on laptops or on school computers. The math test is on paper but students that provide their transcript information will all get a placement in math. Students shouldn't need to take both but will have the option to take math if they would like. Students with low GPA's and grades in math may be placed in MCC pre-transfer level math courses. Any student that cannot attend the placement test at CCA can take the test on his/her own at a MCC test center. If a student is required to take a placement test, it is strongly suggested he/she do so prior to the ECAP field trip as course selection will take place during ECAP.
- 3/31 ECAP Field Trip for students planning to attend MiraCosta College after high school graduation: Orientation, advising, and fall course selection are part of ECAP. Lunch is provided. Sign-up sheets and info packets for the ECAP Field Trip are available in the College & Career Center. Students must pick up a packet, complete and return the field trip permission slip. Permission slips must be returned no later than Monday, March 27.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTING INFORMATION

SAT May 6 is the next test date for the SAT and SAT Subject Tests. Regular registration closes April 7, 2017. Late registration closes April 25; late fee applies.

ACT April 8, 2017 is the next available ACT test date. **Regular registration closes March 3.** Late registration closes March 17; 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.

NOTE: For scholarships that require letters of recommendation: **Respectfully ask a staff member in person, (not by email) whether s/he will write a letter of recommendation at least 3 weeks in advance of a deadline, and provide him/her required documents, including a FERPA.**

Upcoming Deadlines: Sejong Writing Competition (deadline extended); California Retired Teachers Scholarship; 2017 Sunflower Scholarship; The American Society of Human Genetics – DNA Day Essay Contest; Cabrillo Civic Clubs of CA; American Foreign Service Assoc. Essay Contest; Change a Life Foundation Scholarship; Don Diego Scholarship; Good for All High School Design Competition; Jeffrey D. Sollender College Scholarship; QuestBridge College Prep Scholarship (for juniors); 2017 Chen Foundation Scholarship Program; 2017 TASF – Taiwanese American Scholarship; Autumn Strang Memorial Scholarship; Bill Berrier Scholarship fund; Eric Hall Scholarship fund; Eric Scott Langdon & Diana Monzeglio Memorial Scholarship Fund for Artists; Jackie Harrigan Haase Memorial Scholarship fund; Joe W. Chavez Educational Fund; Princeton Univ. Ten-Minute Play Contest (for juniors); San Diego Chinese Women's Association Scholarship; Brian Graves Memorial Scholarship.

ENRICHMENT/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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

ALL STUDENTS: For programs that require letters of recommendation: **Respectfully ask a staff member in person, (not by email) whether he/she will write a letter of recommendation at least 3 weeks in advance of a deadline, and provide him/her required documents, including a FERPA.**

GRADE 11: The Life Sciences Summer Institute (LSSI) High School Student Research Program application is now open. This is a paid internship. Students must be at least 16 years of age on or before June 26, 2017. Online Application Deadline: March 29, 2017 (5:00 pm PST). Recommenders should receive your request, and required documents (including FERPA), no later than March 8.

Upcoming Deadlines: University of Chicago Neubauer Summer Scholars; Girls' Leadership Worldwide Program (Eleanor Roosevelt Center); PREFACE; International Summer School for Young Physicists; LSSI (Life Sciences Summer Institute) 2017 High School Student Research Program; AIM – Academy Introduction Mission (Coast Guard); MEET KELLEY – Kelley School of Business; UC Berkeley Business Academy for Youth – Haas School of Business. Ongoing: Helen Woodward; UC San Diego Health Center; Palomar Pathmaker Internship.

REMINDERS

ALL STUDENTS: 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 [CCA Foundation](#) website.