

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 under the Counseling drop down menu. The newsletter is updated bi-weekly.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR JUNE

- 6/01 **Deadline for Off-Campus Coursework:** All off-campus courses must be completed and official transcripts provided to the CCA registrar in order to be posted on the CCA transcript by the end of the school year. All transcripts received after Friday, June 1, 2018 will be posted to student transcripts the following school year.
- 6/8-12 **Friday, June 8 and Tuesday, June 12:** Senior Finals/Check-out for all seniors with outstanding fees/fines or who haven't completed Senior Exit Survey.
- 6/13 Last day to complete Work Permit application with Ms. Moroney at CCA. After June 13, work permit applications will be processed by CCA's Registrar, Ms. Benbow. Her summer hours are 9:00 am 12:00 pm, Monday Thursday. All students under the age of 18 who have not received their diplomas must obtain a work permit prior to starting employment.
- 6/14 **Grades 9-11:** Final Exams. School dismisses at 1:50pm.
- 6/15 **Grades 9-11:** Final Exams. School dismisses at 1:50pm. Spring term ends.
- 6/15 Graduation! Last day of school for all students. Enjoy the summer break!
 In order to focus on graduation, the Counseling Office will close at 12:00 pm on Friday, June 15.
- NOTE: Counseling staff is unavailable after June 15. Registrar Nancy Benbow's summer hours are 9:00 am 12:00pm, Monday-Thursday. It is recommended that you phone or email first as hours listed do not include vacation days: 858-350-0253 ext. 4006; nancy.benbow@sduhsd.net.

NEWS FOR JUNIORS

Please refer back to the 11th Grade <u>presentation</u>, as all of the tools and resources are available as hyperlinks. The SDUHSD contract with Naviance is ending at the end of this school year, and we will be utilizing comprehensive online college search tools, and submitting application materials directly to the Common App next year. If you've saved college searches, resumes, test scores, etc. in Naviance, please take some time to save any data you have stored, as your login credentials will no longer be active.

The district has compiled this list of college and career exploration <u>resources</u> to help you get started, and we highly recommend that students complete this <u>college research worksheet</u> to develop a strategic college list with a range of likely, target, and reach schools.

UC Personal Insight Questions Workshops; UCSB Freshman Selection Webinars, and UC Application Webinars:

Beginning Tuesday, June 5th, and running through August, UC Santa Barbara will host online webinars/events for students who intend to apply to the UC's in fall. Registration is open for the UC Personal Insight Questions Workshops and the UCSB Freshmen Selection Webinars (UCSB specific). The UC Application Webinars are anticipated to be added/announced soon. You (and your family) are highly encouraged to take advantage of these webinars and pre-recorded webinars offered on the UC Santa Barbara Online Events page, including "Calculating the UC GPA," "College of Creative Studies" (UCSB specific), and more. The UC Personal Insight Questions Workshops and UC Application Webinars are encouraged for all UC applicants at all UC campuses.

UC Essay Prompts: UC's personal insight questions will remain the same for Fall 2019 applicants. Each question aligns to one or more of the 14 comprehensive review criteria that campuses consider in admissions decisions. The UC Application for Fall 2019 will open August 1, 2018, but personal insight questions, with guidance, can be viewed in advance here. NOTE: While the UC Application will open August 1, the UC Application submission period for Fall 2019 is still November 1-30. CCA will host UC/CSU Workshops in October 2018.

Common App Essay Prompts: The Common Application has announced that the 2018-2019 personal essay writing prompts will be the same as the seven 2017-2018 essay prompts. You may view the prompts here but the 2018-2019 **application** is not yet available. You are able to start your Common Application now, but not all information will roll over when the new application opens. **CCA will host a Common App Workshop in October 2018.**

Coalition Application Essay Prompts: A coalition of public and private schools came together to create a new platform for applying to college. While most member colleges accept the Common Application and the Coalition Application, there are a few schools that are Coalition exclusive. Essay prompts and information about the Coalition, can be viewed here. If a school to which you are applying accepts both the Common Application and the Coalition Application, it is recommended that you use the Common Application.

Important NCAA Eligibility information: Students who plan to play a Division I or Division II sport in college must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center by the end of 11th grade. Review NCAA core course requirements and additional information on the NCAA Eligibility Center site. NOTE: At the end of 11th grade student athletes must ALSO send a high school transcript, including final grades, to the NCAA Eligibility Center.

REMINDERS FOR SENIORS

<u>AP Scores:</u> Send official AP Scores to your attending college; UC's must receive scores by July 15.

Senior Check Out Information: (The Senior Exit Meeting PowerPoint is posted on the CCA Website Seniors page.)

- Senior finals are Friday, June 8 and Tuesday, June 12. These are regular school days and all seniors should plan to attend school on these days.
- Senior Exit Survey is now available as a Google Form on the Senior Page of the website. Complete it now to save time!
- Seniors with outstanding fees/fines and those who have not completed the Senior Survey will be required to go through a check-out process in order to participate in Senior Week/Graduation. If you are responsible for completing the check-out form you will be personally notified.
- These seniors who are notified must pick-up their forms from the Counseling Office on June 7 and 8.
- Only obtain signatures from the offices where fines are listed.
- Completed forms must be submitted to the registrar on Tuesday, June 12. This is also the deadline for final transcript requests.
- Final transcript requests forms were passed out at the Senior Exit Seminar. Forms can be picked up at the Registrar's office. Forms, along with your addressed envelope may be turned into the registrar during daily walk-in times, before or after school or at lunch. Deadline to submit your Final Transcript form is Tuesday, June 12.

Diplomas: You will pick up your diploma AFTER the graduation ceremony between the tennis courts and the gym. It can only be released to you or your parent/guardian.

NCAA Eligibility Information for Seniors who plan on playing a Division I or Division II sport in college: You must login to your NCAA Eligibility Center account to update your academic and amateurism information and request final amateurism certification. You must also send in your ACT/SAT Test Scores, if you have not already done so, and, after graduation, send a final transcript to the NCAA Eligibility Center. Please see CCA Registrar, Ms. Benbow, to request an official transcript.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTING INFORMATION

- August 25, 2018 is the next test date for the SAT and SAT Subject Tests. Regular registration closes July 27. Late registration closes August 15 (online/phone); late fee applies.
- <u>ACT</u> <u>September 8, 2018</u> is the next available ACT test date. The ANTICIPATED registration deadline is August 3. Late Registration is anticipated to close on August 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.

<u>FREE TEST PREP</u>: 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 <u>CollegeBoard</u> and <u>ACT</u> websites for many *Free* Test Prep resources.

MIRA COSTA NEWS

<u>BIOMEDICAL EQUIPMENT TECHNICIAN PROGRAM (BMET)</u>: MiraCosta has a new Biomedical Equipment Technician (BMET) Program offered through the Technology Career Institute (TCI) (non credit) in Carlsbad.

More about the program:

- It's FREE to those who are interested in the career; repairing and maintaining medical equipment. A DOL grant is paying the \$6,500 tuition (there is a \$310 admin fee).
- → The program starts 7/6 and goes through November. It's hands-on and intensive; 486 contact hours plus homework. We'll help students get placed into internships and jobs.
- ♣ The types of students who do well in this field like to work on electrical systems, computer hardware, and cars.
- ↓ Interested students must attend an orientation session at TCI: Wednesday, June 6, 6:00pm.

MiraCosta College's <u>Technology Career Institute</u> (TCI) is part of MiraCosta College's Community Education & Workforce Development department. Course offerings include: ROV/Drone Operator Technician; Real Estate Program; Craft Brewing Technician; Machinist Technology Program; Metal Fabrication, OSHA, Welding; Engineering Technician; PLC Programming, Robotics Technician, High Risk Medic; Security Evasive Driving, Pharmacy Technician (online); Medical Coding and Billing (online), and others.

SCHOLARSHIPS & CONTESTS

ALL GRADES: Scholarship, Contest and Internship opportunities are posted below. Most are for seniors, but some are for other/additional grade levels. Descriptions below convey the basics; visit the linked website for details.

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.

- <u>HCC & AMN Healthcare Scholarship Essay Contest</u>: Seniors who plan to enter the field of health care upon college graduation; \$2,000. Deadline to apply: 6/10/2018.
- <u>Breakthrough Junior Challenge</u>: Students between the ages of 13-18; award up to \$250,000; global competition to submit original videos (3 minutes in length maximum) that bring to life a concept or theory in the life sciences, physics or mathematics. Deadline to apply: 7/01/2018.
- NEW <u>UC Berkeley Balanced Man Scholarship</u>: Male seniors who will attend UC Berkeley in Fall 2018; up to \$2,500 total for all awards. Deadline to apply: 7/10/2018.

ENRICHMENT/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Cal Maritime's Training Ship Tour the Golden Bear: All grades; one-day event June 26, 2018 from 9:30 11:30 am. Cal Maritime's Training Ship Golden Bear will be visiting San Diego on Tuesday, June 26, 2018. Reservations are being accepted for tours of the ship for prospective students and admitted students and their families. Cal Maritime students run the ship in the summer while overseen by licensed deck officers and engineers. During May and June 2018, the Golden Bear voyage itinerary includes Western Samoa, the Solomon Islands, Saipan, and Maui before San Diego and, finally, back to Vallejo, California. Register online. No deadline indicated.
- miRcore Scripps Translational Science Institute: All grades; one of the goals is to expose high school students to career opportunities in biomedicine through hands-on experience in computational genomics and prepare them for the emerging era of medical genomics, when all doctors must be well-acquainted with genetic discoveries, technologies, and applications. Fees: \$1205 for both weeks (with premium membership: \$1085); \$615 for one week (with premium membership: \$535.00); automatic basic membership included for all campers. No deadline to apply indicated.
- ThoughtSTEM Internship Program for High School Students: Age 17 +; ThoughtSTEM's internship program is designed for high school (age 17+) through college students interested in pursuing careers in technology or education. For one half of the summer, interns will be taking college-level computer science courses in Java, Software Engineering, and Web Development. The second half of the summer, interns will be leading computer science summer camps for local San Diego students.
- San Diego Natural History Museum: Currently recruiting for Summer Camp Aides. Summer Camp Aides must be 16-18 years of age. Shifts are 8 AM—4:30 PM. They ask for a minimum commitment of 2 full weeks with 3 weeks preferred. Minimum age is 16. Orientation dates and times for Summer Camp Aides are June 14 from 1-5, June 15 from 1-5, and June 16 from 9-1. Questions? Contact Romina Cardenes at rcardenas@sdnhm.org.
- Harvard Science Research Conference (HSRC): For rising high school sophomores, juniors, senior (current freshmen, sophomores, juniors); 2-day conference at Harvard University on October 13-14, 2018, for exceptional high school students interested in the sciences. \$20 early application fee; \$40 regular application fee; \$150 conference fee. Students are responsible for their own transportation and housing costs.
- Political Internship Opportunity: Internship with Senator Joel Anderson. All grades. Scheduling is flexible and can be tailored to accommodate your schooling, work, and prior commitments. Internships available now through November 2018. Contact Alex Adkins at <u>Alexandria.adkins@sen.ca.gov</u> or 619-596-3136 during office hours, Mon Fri 9:00 am 5:00 pm.
- <u>Lorenzo de Zavala Youth Legislative Session 2018 Summer Leadership Program</u>; 10th & 11th grade Latino/Latina students; one-week residential program, July 3 July 7, at the University of San Diego; leadership program to introduce students to politics and more; \$895. No deadline to apply indicated.
- <u>Devil Pups:</u> healthy boy or girl between 14 17; free for CA based participants; 10-day encampment program; combination of outdoor physical exercises, classroom lectures and demonstrations of Marine Corps operations.

 Not a mini-boot camp or recruiting program for the Marine Corps. July 5 14; no deadline to apply indicated.
- Discover Swarthmore: Current Juniors; all-expenses-paid overnight program for high-achieving rising high school seniors (current juniors); preference given to students from traditionally underrepresented groups, students who are first in their family to attend college, students from low-income backgrounds. If you would like to be nominated, see your alpha-counselor or Ms. Burton (College & Career Center). You must ask to be nominated no later than 6/08/2018.
- Women of Distinction Smith College: For females, Class of 2019. This program highlights the opportunities that Smith College offers for African American, Asian American, Latina and Native American students. Participants in this three-day program will explore Smith College to determine whether it might be an appropriate college choice for them. No cost to selected participants. Deadline to apply: 6/15/2018.

- New Macalester College Fall Sampler Extended Program: Current High School Juniors (Class of 2019) who are US citizens or Permanent Residents, have financial need, and are African American, Native American, Latino or Asian American. CCA may nominate up to three students. Please see your counselor or Ms. Burton no later than June 13th if you wish to be nominated; \$75 participation cost.
- New Washington & Lee University DIVE (Diversity & Inclusion Visit Experience: Current Juniors (rising Seniors); a selective two-day, all-expense paid program for students from diverse backgrounds (first-gen, low-income, African-American, Hispanic/Latino, Native American). To apply you must be nominated. Please see your counselor or Ms. Burton no later than June 13. No cost to those selected.
- Academic Connections at UCSD: All grades high school students with a 3.3 or above weighted cumulative GPA.
 Residential program. Most programs July 8 28, 2018; \$100 nonrefundable application fee; most programs \$4,200 (inclusive); diverse academic disciplines. Deadline to apply: 6/15/2018.
- Discover Wellesley: Females, Class of 2019. Wellesley will provide travel grants to cover the cost of transportation, meals, and housing for a limited group of rising high school senior girls, graduating in the Class of 2019, who wish to visit campus for <u>Discover Wellesley Weekend</u> on Sunday, October 14, and Monday, October 15, 2018. Wellesley encourages applicants who are from underrepresented cultural backgrounds such as African American, Asian American, Latina American, and Native American; first-generation students; and/or students from other underrepresented communities and regions. Deadline to apply: 6/30/2018.
- New <u>WOW Windows on Williams</u>: Class of 2019; high-achieving students who otherwise might not be able to afford a visit to Williams. All expenses paid. Two program dates: Sept 20 22 and Sept 30 Oct 2. Deadline to apply: 8/01/2018.
- New <u>Discover Scripps</u>: Females, Class of 2019, who are first-generation students and/or students from underrepresented racial/ethnic backgrounds. Two program dates: October 7-8 or October 14-15. No cost for those selected. Deadline to apply: 8/15/2018.
- New Journey to Bucknell (Overnight Program): Students must be rising seniors (Class of 2019), high-achieving, traditionally underrepresented (African-American, Asian-American, biracial/multiracial, Latino/a, Native American, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander). No cost for those selected. Program date: November 4-6, 2018. Deadline to apply: 9/14/2018.

Ongoing Opportunities:

- ActivCare at 4S Ranch: Specialized Senior Care facility; volunteers must be 14 years of age or older; contact Denise Notter: dnotter@activcareliving.com for opportunities.
- California State Parks Foundation: Anyone aged 14 and older can participate but youth under the age of 17 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Limited camping available to registered volunteers.
- GirlTECH San Diego: for middle school & high school girls interested in coding and computer science.
- Helen Woodward Animal Center: wide variety of volunteer opportunities.
- MOTIV San Diego: Motiv connects high school students to volunteer opportunities.
- Palomar Pathmaker Internship: Internship designed to give high school student experience in a healthcare setting and to the inner-workings of the hospital system.
- San Dieguito River Park Internships: Juniors & Seniors preferred (mature sophomores considered): trail patrol; habitat & trail restoration; interpretive and outreach; flexible days and hours. 760-716-1214 or leana@sdrp.org.
- Service Learning @ Your Library: Applications available at library branches. Flexible hours.
- UC San Diego Medical Center: Information on how to become a volunteer at UC San Diego Health Center.
- UCSD Young Physicists Program: For middle & high school students interested in physics.

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.

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CCA Counseling Website

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