

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 NOVEMBER

ALL STUDENTS & FAMILIES: Student Services–Counseling staff will not be available during the Fall Recess, November 17-25. Staff will begin checking e-mail, returning phone calls, and meeting with students upon return Monday, November 26.

Planning Ahead

- 12/11 & 10th Grade Counseling Presentation: Counselors will present to all Sophomores during Period 2 in the
- 12/12 Proscenium. Counselors will review the SDUHSD College & Career Scope and Sequence, review A-G requirements, and review the CCA career pathways.
- **12/11 10 Grade Parent Presentation:** 6:00 pm in the Proscenium. Counselors will review the SDUHSD College and Career Scope and Sequence, review A-G graduation requirements, and review the CCA career pathways.

COLLEGE VISITS IN THE COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER

SENIORS: College visits, with links to the passes to sign up for specific visits, are found on the Counseling website under "College Visits." College visits are also posted on CCA's site calendar. College visits are designed/reserved for 12th grade students unless noted otherwise. College visits will open to Juniors in spring.

Most visits occur during class time, so you will need to print the College Visit pass at home, and have it signed by your parent and then by your teacher whose class you will miss. **If you are 18 years of age or older you do not need a parent signature; you do, however, still need a teacher(s) signature.** Bring the pass with you to the visit. Allow yourself at least 2 days prior to the visit to obtain required signatures. If you have an unscheduled period during a college visit, you do not need a pass. (Parents may attend college visits; please sign-in as a visitor in the Admin office.)

NEWS & REMINDERS FOR SENIORS

Seniors applying UC Berkeley: New Haas Business Degree/ program for freshmen applicants: <u>Global Management</u> <u>Program</u> (GMP) Through the Haas School of Business, GMP offers freshmen an exclusive opportunity to study business administration with a broad cultural understanding, preparing students for careers in financial services, communications, social sector solutions, foreign affairs, management consulting and more. Participation in Berkeley Global Edge (fall semester of freshman year spent in London) is mandatory and the program is limited to 30 new students per year.

Seniors applying to UCLA: New <u>B.A. in Public Affairs</u> through the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs. The B.A. in Public Affairs offers an in-depth and engaged educational experience with a clear public service ethos. Drawing from UCLA Luskin's expansive resources in Public Policy, Social Welfare, and Urban Planning, the major combines critical thinking, social science methodology, and experiential learning (an internship), connecting the dots between theory and action. Students will graduate college with hands-on, real-world experience that they can directly apply to their careers or future academic endeavors.

UC Santa Barbara: This month, current UCSB students will be on the <u>How to Apply page</u> of UCSB's website chatting live with prospective students. Students may join to get their questions answered about UCSB student life, academics, getting involved and more.

• Freshman Q&A Thursdays: November 29 & 30 from 3:30-5pm PST

To chat, students just need to visit the <u>How to Apply page</u> during the chat hours above and click the "Live Chat" box on the top right of their browser window.

REMINDERS:

- ✓ UC & CSU applications are due Friday, November 30. Counselors HIGHLY ENCOURAGE students to submit their UC/CSU applications prior to the application deadline.
- Standardized test scores: Some colleges require you to send official scores as part of your application; others allow you to self-report test scores and send official scores only if you are admitted and choose to enroll. Some colleges are test optional; some are test optional but require a graded paper or additional essay. It is your responsibility to verify how each of your colleges/universities handle standardized test scores. (Examples: UC's require official test scores send to one UC and your scores will be shared with all UC's to which you apply; Columbia University allows students to self-report and send official scores only if admitted and you intend to enroll.)
- ✓ If you decide to add a Common App or non-Common App college after you have submitted your FERPA and you need materials sent from your counselor or teacher, please see that teacher/counselor and add the college to your existing FERPA.
- ✓ Use the many college application resources provided by the Counseling Dept. on the <u>12th Grade page</u> to make sure that you are completing all the necessary steps and entering the correct information for CCA and our courses and schedule.
- ✓ 12th Grade Student & Parent Presentations: available to view in the <u>Presentation Index</u>. You are encouraged to refer to the 12th Grade presentation as you work on your college applications.
- ✓ FAFSA & CSS Profile Info: A Guide to Completing the 2019-2020 FAFSA is available on the <u>College & Career Center</u> web page under *Financial Aid*. <u>Kahn Academy</u> provides a video guide for completing the FAFSA and the CSS Profile, hosted by a Stanford University Financial Aid Officer.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TESTING INFORMATION

<u>REMINDER TO SENIORS</u> The December test date is the last test date you are able to take the ACT or SAT for most colleges. Please verify this information with your specific colleges.

- SATDecember 1, 2018 is the next test date for the SAT and SAT Subject Tests.Regular registration is closed.Late registration (online & phone) closes November 20; late fee applies.
- ACT December 8, 2018 is the next test date for the ACT. Regular registration is closed. Late registration (online & phone) closes November 19; late fee applies

CCA's school code is 050893. Students requiring an SAT/ACT *fee waiver* can obtain one from the Counseling Secretary, AP Secretary Ms. Burrows, 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

MIRACOSTA STUDENT AMBASSADOR: Available in the College & Career Center Wednesdays from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm. He is prepared to answer questions regarding Miracosta College and California Community Colleges in general. Students may drop by or make an appointment. Sign-up sheets for appointments are in the C&CC.

SCHOLARSHIPS

ALL GRADES: Scholarship Opportunities are posted on the counseling website: <u>http://cc.sduhsd.net/Counseling/Scholarships/index.html</u>

ENRICHMENT, VOLUNTEER & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ALL GRADES: Enrichment, volunteer and internship opportunities are posted on the Counseling website: http://cc.sduhsd.net/Counseling/Enrichment-Volunteer-Internship-Opportunities-/index.html.

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.