

Counseling Department

Proclaiming Jesus Christ through Excellence in Education Four-Year Planning

Senior Year 'I've arrived!'

Twelfth grade is an exciting year for students as they prepare to cross the finish line of high school. Refining strong interpersonal skills such as communication, self-advocacy, empathy, resilience and grit - Seniors will reflect on their time over the past four years of high school while also rejoicing in the fact that they have 'arrived!' Our counseling department encourages students to lean into their relationships with Christ, fully trusting in God's purpose and timing in their lives as they enter into the mission field.

- College Application Boot Camp (August) A one week boot camp where counselors will work with Seniors on completing all the components of the Naviance, Common Application, the UC application, the application, essay, and supplements for each college. CLHS secures private essay coaches to work in small group and individual settings which provide direct instruction for each senior's college essay(s).
- Senior Conferences (September-November) Individual conferences with your counselor. We will discuss the college application process, where the student is at in the process, deadlines, the colleges on your reach list, sure list and safety list. We will review your academic progress, your specific deadlines, procuring letters of recommendation, Naviance and much more.
- Senior Four-Year Planning Presentation (August) Twelfth grade students will hear a presentation covering the finite details of the college application process. The UC application, CSU application, The Common Application, letters of recommendation, test scores, dual credit and FAFSA. This presentation will take place during a Wednesday life group with all freshmen.
- **College Planning & FAFSA Info for Seniors (August)** Students are invited to kick-off the college application season by attending this evening presentation. Review the steps of the college application process; review deadlines; and receive important information to help throughout the process.
- Senior Parents: Four-Year Planning Presentation (August) Ninth grade parents are invited to attend our Zoom presentation covering four-year planning. The presentation will mirror the presentation students will hear during the life group. A Q&A session will follow the presentation.
- **College Application Hour (September November) -** after school college application workshops, to work on all components of any college application. Counselors will work one-on-one with students as needed.
- **College Application deadlines (November)** (If applicable) Early Action, non-binding, or Early Decision, binding, November 1 or November 15 depending on college. November 30 UC and CSU applications
- **College Decision Day (May)** Students are encouraged to report all college acceptances and financial aid/scholarships received in their Naviance account
- California Scholarship Federation Application If you are interested in achieving the Life Membership Award, you will need to submit the California Scholarship Federation Application after the first semester of Senior year. If the eligible course falls during the Spring semester, you will need to fill out the application to request a final grade check for that course. Please reach out to the California Scholarship Federation Coordinator, Stacy Kemp, at stacy.kemp@creanlutheran.org for more information.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Proverbs 3: 5-6