



ALAMEDA HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE AND CAREER NEWSLETTER

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Seniors: CA is now **REQUIRING** that every senior submits an FAFSA/CADAA application. Need help? Come to the CCC Wednesdays after school or during your free and get help submitting your FAFSA or CADAA

What to bring?

- Your Social Security Number or
- Your Alien Registration Number (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
- [An FSA ID to sign electronically.](#)
- Your parent's federal income tax returns for 2021, W-2s, and other records of money earned. (Note: You may be able to transfer your federal tax return information into your FAFSA using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool.)
- Bank statements and records of investments (if applicable)
- Records of untaxed income (if applicable)

HUZZAH HORNETS!!

Please download this Newsletter - It will be easier to read and reference all of the links provided. **Two pages of AHS CCC information!**

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JUNIORS: [UCs will not be considering standardized testing when making admissions decisions or awarding scholarships for applicants.](#)

My recommendation for juniors: try and take ONE exam this spring. You don't know where you are applying and who is going to require exam scores so make sure you have one score if you need it.

Want some practice taking a full length exam?

Virtual Mock ACT Sat. 1/21.23

Virtual Mock SAT Sat. 1/28/23

Cost \$10 each. Register [HERE](#) The money will go towards scholarships for AHS students for test prep or tutoring through Rev Prep.

SENIORS:

Once you have submitted all of your college applications:

- CHECK YOUR EMAIL
- READ YOUR EMAIL
- Every school you applied to will be emailing you instructions to follow.

PLEASE follow their instructions!! This is the #1 mistake seniors make: not checking their email after they submit. Check your SPAM!

Community College Enrollment:

- Graduating Seniors: enrollment for Summer/Fall 2023 for all CA community colleges begins in March/April.
- What can I do now? Submit your FAFSA or CADAA. Financial aid is available for Community College

Financial Aid Application:

[FAFSA](#) (Free Application For Student Aid) [CADAA](#) (CA Dream Act App)- Must be completed by March 2nd for Cal Grant eligibility.

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Scholarship for Seniors - Updated [December & January Scholarship Document Link](#)

GE-Reagan Foundation Scholars - DUE January 5th 3pm Central time
\$10,000 renewable scholarship [Video](#)

NEW Bay Area Creative Arts January 12th [LINK](#) Open to all San Francisco Bay Area high school students to submit creative work across seven artistic categories.

NEW The Ken & Shirley Van Sickle Scholarship Foundation DUE: January 14th [Scholarship Link](#) This is a local scholarship. \$5,000

Taco Bell's Live Más Scholarship Video - January 11th [Scholarship Link](#)

FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORES: What can you be doing for life after high school?

- 1) **Do well in school:** This is the one thing you have control over. That means getting a C or better in all of your classes. If you get a D/F in a class for even one semester, you need to talk to your counselor about how you can re-take (or remediate) that semester. Don't wait until senior year to correct these grades.
- 2) **Get involved:** Join an AHS club, play a sport, volunteer, get a job. Listing your "activities" is a big section on college applications. Try [Volunteermatch](#). Dog walking & babysitting are activities that can be listed on college apps. [ARPD](#) offers a volunteer position for those under 16 and paid positions for 16+. Getting job shows responsibility and the \$\$ is good.
- 3) **Get creative:** Whether you are playing music, growing a garden or sewing masks, this is an activity. Figure out what you are interested in. Do you like to make videos? Create a YouTube Channel or social media account to showcase your work. Love sports? Make a podcast with your friends and talk sports/the draft. Virtual yoga with your friends?
- 4) **Stay curious:** If you loved Biology and you want to expand your knowledge, think about taking a summer class. If you love running, train for a 5K, 10K.

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PARENTS: I have two young adults in my life. My daughter is 23, she graduated from college, and is working in Boston. My son is 19 and is a sophomore in college. They are very different humans. They wanted very different things when looking at colleges.

Here are some lessons I've learned from helping them both through their college process:

- **Let them lead!** Take your cues from them. If they not interested in leaving CA, don't push them to look at schools in Boston.
- **Learn about [CSUs](#)!** Degrees in Business, Nursing, Kinesiology not offered at a UC.
- **Talk to them about paying for college.** If they are talking about NYU and you've run the numbers and NYU is NOT in the cards financially - tell them! [Net-Price Calculator](#) is a tool that you can input your tax info and assets and it will generate an estimate of cost for any school.
- **Don't work on their college applications!** This is their application and it needs to reflect who they are as a student. If they can't muster up the enthusiasm to work on their applications, maybe they are not ready. Community college is a wonderful option for growth and maturity.

Upcoming Virtual Webinars Hosted by Revolution Prep: FREE [Registration](#)

- 💰 **Affording College: Financial Aid 101-- Wednesday, Dec 7th, 5pm PT, 8pm ET**

Learn about the FAFSA and CSS profile, scholarships, grants, need-based aid, and other ways to finance your child's education.

- 😟 **PSAT, Now What? -- Tuesday Dec 13th, 3pm PT, 6pm ET**
- 😟 **Catching Up in Math: 6 steps to Closing the Learning Gap -- Wednesday Dec 14th, 5pm PT**
- 😟 **Understanding the New Digital SAT -- Thursday, Dec 15th, 5pm PT**

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