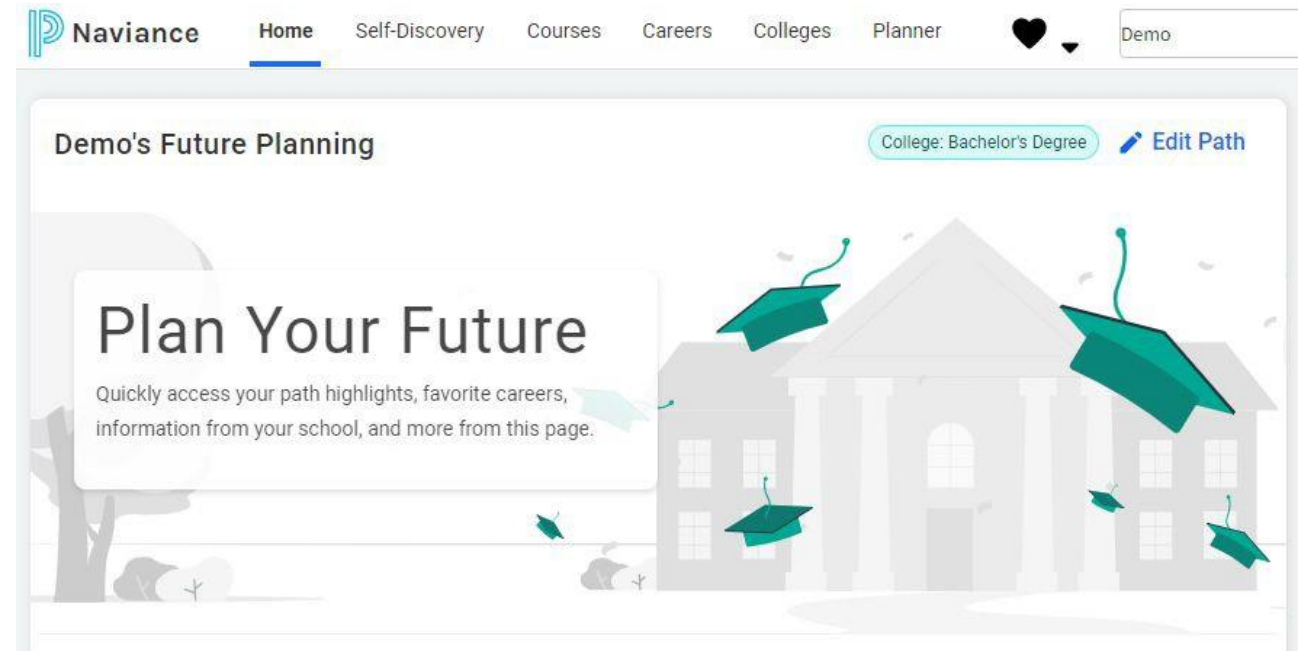


Plans for after high school?

- Everyone's plan is different
- It's okay if you're not sure yet, but start to create a plan. Plans can change!
- Undecided/Undeclared is a major on most college apps (you'll have to choose an actual major eventually though)
- Keep your options open
- Use Naviance:
 - SuperMatch (college and major search)
 - Career Interest Profiler (career search)
 - Achieve Works Personality (personality inventory)
 - Also use Naviance for scholarship search and scholarship match
 - Log in through your SJUSD portal, open a new google tab, go to the "waffle", and scroll to Naviance.



Reach Target Safety

Reach

- Academically challenging-- student may not quite fit the college's academic profile.
- Selective admissions.
- Potentially high cost of attendance.

Target

- Student is likely to be admitted based on their academic profile.
- Student would be happy attending that college.
- Would not be financially overwhelming to attend.

Safety

- Student is almost certain to be admitted.
- Student would be happy and get a good education there.
- Affordable with reasonable effort.

How should I choose which colleges to apply to?

- Consider location, major, cost, living arrangements
- Do your Research:
 1. GPA (Google the profile of the Freshmen Class)
 2. Naviance Super Match
 3. Know the cost
 4. Visit the campus when/if possible--Virtual Tours
 5. Focus on Target Colleges
 6. Have a Safety!- Community College and/or CSUS (check for impacted programs)

Our College and Career Center (Rm 25) and the Counseling Office are here to assist student's in reaching their goals!

Military/Armed Forces



- Speak with a military recruiter. Counseling office has recruiter's contact information.
- Take a trusted adult with you when speaking with a recruiter.
- Ask about the ASVAB test
- Tuition assistance for college may be available
- Military training can be transferred to college credits
- Leadership opportunities
- Other options: Attend college and then join as an officer, or join college's ROTC program
- Don't hesitate to ask questions
- Reserve programs: Marines, Navy, Air National Guard and National Guard
- USMC - <https://www.marines.com/>
- Army - <https://www.goarmy.com/>
- Navy - <https://www.navy.com/>
- Air Force - <https://www.airforce.com/>
- Coast Guard - <https://www.gocoastguard.com/>
- Air National Guard - <https://www.goang.com/>
- National Guard - <https://www.nationalguard.mil/>

Career/Technical Training Programs

- Many programs offered through **community colleges**
- Depending on the type of work, there are apprenticeship programs:
<https://www.dir.ca.gov/databases/das/descOfAppr.html>
 - Auto body, paint
 - Mechanic
 - Construction
 - Electrician
 - Cosmetology

Community College Requirements

- Must be 18 or have High School Diploma
- If you have SAT/ACT Scores they may be used for:
 - Placement in freshman math & English
- You can transfer to a 4-year university
 - Check out UC's TAG agreements, and Associate Degree for Transfer to a CSU
- Visit different community colleges to find the best fit for you
- Start registering for community college in October-EC's ARC application workshop will be in January!
- Complete your registration early for priority registration

CA State Promise Program

First-time student (enrolled in 12 or more units) and a California resident are eligible for 2- year tuition free at community college. FILL OUT THE FAFSA starting December 2024 to be eligible.

Community College Options

□ Transfer to 4 year College

- Talk to college counselor once per semester
- Complete required course work
- Earn a certain college GPA
- 60 units of college level transferable courses
- There are 116 community colleges in just California

□ Career Programs & Certificates

- Length and kind of programs vary
- Less expensive than private vocational programs
- Examples of programs:
Automotive Collision, Culinary, Fire Tech, Speech/Language Assistant, Music, Biotechnology, Paralegal, Real Estate, and **MANY** more!

How to Apply to Community College

- Register online. Keep note of your Student ID.
 - Folsom Lake College: <https://flc.losrios.edu>
 - American River College: <https://arc.losrios.edu/>
 - Cosumnes River College: <https://crc.losrios.edu/>
 - Sac City College: <https://www.scc.losrios.edu/>
 - Sierra College: <https://www.sierracollege.edu/>
- Complete orientation session, then meet with counselor to choose classes (virtual sessions are available)
- Apply as early as October. Apply no later than March 1st
- Contact Financial Aid Office on the college campus

California State University, CSU's

CSU The California State University

THE 23 OUTSTANDING CAMPUSES OF THE CSU



CSU Requirements

Complete A-G coursework. Must have C's or higher

- A. History/Social Science: 2 years
- B. English: 4 years
- C. Math: 3 years (passing Algebra II or IM3) (4 years recommended)
- D. Lab Science: 2 years (physical & life) 3 years recommended
- E. Language Other Than English: 2 years of same world language
- F. Visual & Performing Arts: 1 year
- G. College-Prep Elective: 1 year (chosen from subjects above)

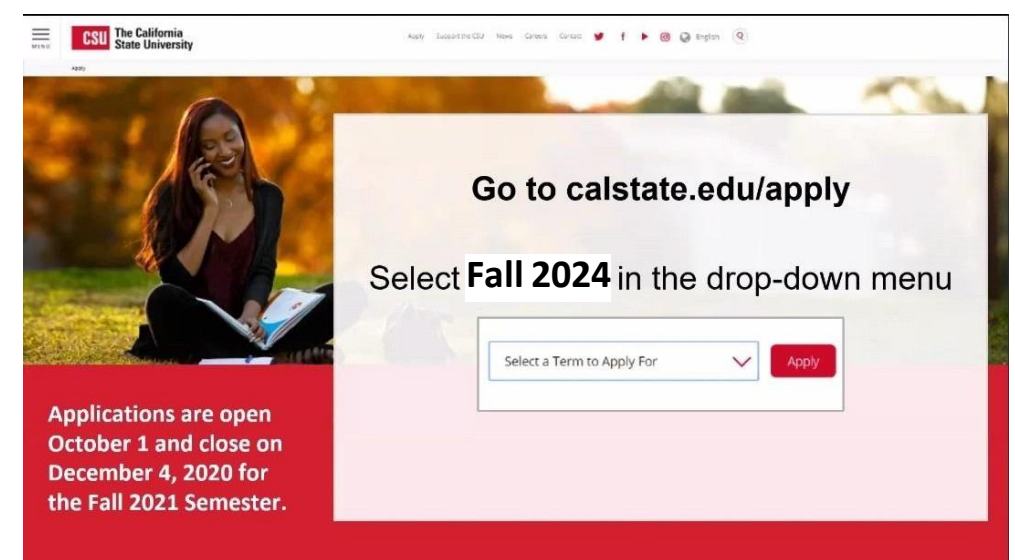
- CSU's: Minimum [2.5](#) GPA in A-G courses is required to apply
 - 2.0-2.49 are still encouraged to apply!
- [NO SAT or ACT required](#). SAT and ACT will NOT be used in admissions. If you have test scores, they will be used for placement in classes.
- NO LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION NEEDED. Do not send your transcript unless they ask you to.
- [Application will ask for educational programs you've participated in, and work experience.](#)



How To Apply to CSU

- Application: <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply>
- **October 1 – November 30**, NO Exceptions for late applications
- Have your transcript with you so you accurately report your courses and grades.
- Calculate your CSU GPA:
<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/eligibility-index> (more about how to do that in the next few slides)
- DO NOT SEND YOUR TRANSCRIPT UNLESS YOU ARE SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED TO DO SO.

What you need to apply



Unofficial transcripts You'll be asked to enter all the courses you've completed on your CS application; those that are currently in progress; and any you plan to take. Transcripts will be requested by campuses as needed.

Test scores (SAT, ACT, AP or IB) Report test results so far as well as any future test dates.

Your Social Security number, if you have one.

Your citizenship status

A method of payment You can pay the application fee by credit card.

Your parent's citizenship status

Annual income Your parents' if you are a dependent; your income if you are independent

Your parent's employment background and two recommendations Applies only if you are applying to EOP.

California statewide student ID Optional; every K-12 student in a California public school assigned an ID number. The number should be printed on your transcript.

CSU Impacted Campuses and Majors

Academic Program Impaction for 2024-2025

All undergraduate programs, pre-programs, and undeclared/undecided programs are impacted for the following universities:

- Cal Poly San Luis Obispo
- Cal State Fullerton
- Cal State Long Beach
- San Diego State
- San José State

To find out if a specific program you want to apply to is impacted, please visit

<https://www.calstate.edu/attend/degrees-certificates-credentials/Pages/impacted-degrees.aspx>

University of California, UC's



UC Requirements



MUST HAVE ALL A-G courses completed by graduation, with C's or higher.

A. History/Social Science: 2 years

B. English: 4 years

C. Math: 3 years (passing Algebra II or IM3) (4 years recommended)

D. Lab Science: 2 years (physical & life) 3 years recommended

E. Language Other Than English: 2 years of same world language, 3 years recommended

F. Visual & Performing Arts: 1 year

G. College-Prep Elective: 1 year (chosen from subjects above)

- 3.0 minimum GPA to apply. Must have C's or higher in A-G courses.
- [NO SAT or ACT required](#). SAT and ACT will not be used in admissions. If you have test scores, they will be used for placement in classes.
- NO LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION
- DO NOT SEND YOUR TRANSCRIPT UNLESS YOU ARE SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED TO DO SO.

How to Apply to UC

- Application: <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply-now.html>
- Application is open now. Deadline to submit is November 30th. No exceptions!
- Sections:
 - About You
 - Choose Campuses and Major
 - Enter Academic History
 - Optional to send SAT or ACT test scores
 - Enter Activities and Awards
 - Select scholarships and programs you want to apply for
 - Personal Insight Questions (see next slide)



Admission & financial aid Campuses & majors

Apply now



UC Personal Insight Questions

- Choose 4 out of 8 questions
- 350 words maximum per question
- Tips from UC:
 - Start early
 - Write persuasively
 - Use “I” statements
 - Proofread and Edit
 - Ask for Feedback. Use your own words. Do not plagiarize.
 - Save your work in a Word doc or in Google Docs. Copy and paste your answers to the UC application.
 - <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/applying-as-a-freshman/personal-insight-questions.html>

How do I Calculate my UC and CSU GPA?

Grade	Count	Points
A	<input type="text"/>	
B	<input type="text"/>	
C	<input type="text"/>	
D	<input type="text"/>	
F	<input type="text"/>	
Honors	<input type="text"/>	
Totals		
Calculated GPA		
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- You will not be required to calculate your own GPA, but this can be a helpful tool.
- Maximum for 8 honor/AP points (semesters)
- <https://www.calstate.edu/apply/gpa-calculator/>

Which El Camino classes are A-G?

- A. HISTORY/SOCIAL SCIENCE, 2 YEARS: American Government, AP Government, AP US History, Honors World History, World History, Geography, Economics
- B. ENGLISH, 4 YEARS: All English classes
- C. MATHEMATICS, 3 YEARS: AP Calc AB, AP Calc BC, AP Statistics, Statistics IM 1, IM 2, IM 2+, IM 3, IM 3+, Precalculus and AP PreCalculus
- D. LAB SCIENCE, 2 YEARS: Honors Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Environmental Science, AP Biology, Chemistry, Honors Chemistry, AP Computer Science, Anatomy/Physiology, Environmental Science, Biology and Chemistry
- E. LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH, 2 YEARS: All Spanish and French classes at EC
- F. VISUAL & PERFORMING ART, 1 YEAR: All art classes, All ceramics classes, All Drama classes, Newspaper, Yearbook, Choir, Guitar, Drawing and Painting, AP 2D and 3D Art
- G. COLLEGE PREP ELECTIVE, 1 YEAR: AP Research, All AVID classes, all Media classes, all Pre-Engineering classes, Financial Math, Anthropology, Intro to Political Studies, All Medical Careers classes, Math Modeling, Psychology, Ethnic Studies, American Film AP Psychology, Economics

Which classes are NOT A-G?

- Student Government
- Health
- PE
- TA
- Tutor
- Computer Applications

How is my GPA calculated?

A =4 points (5 points for Honors/AP)

B =3 points (4 points for Honors/AP)

C =2 points (3 points for Honors/AP)

D =1 point (does not count for college)

F =0 points (does not count for high school or college)

All grade points are added up and divided by the number of classes you took.

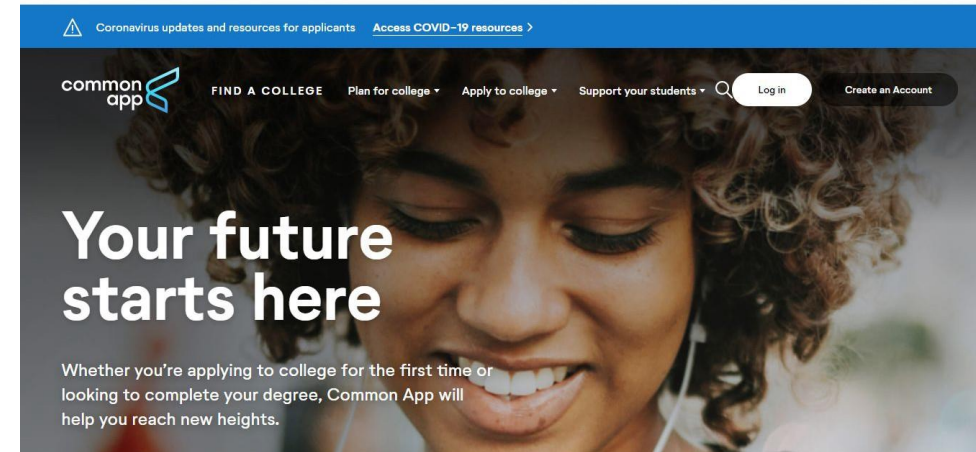
Private colleges will use either your cumulative weighted GPA, or your cumulative unweighted GPA.

Private Colleges/Universities

- Each campus has different deadlines. Check campus website for dates, deadlines, and requirements.
- Private college applications are either on Common App, Coalition, or on the college's website.
- Letters of Recommendations are required.
 - Ask your teacher/counselor in advance (give them at least 3 weeks notice)
- Start early

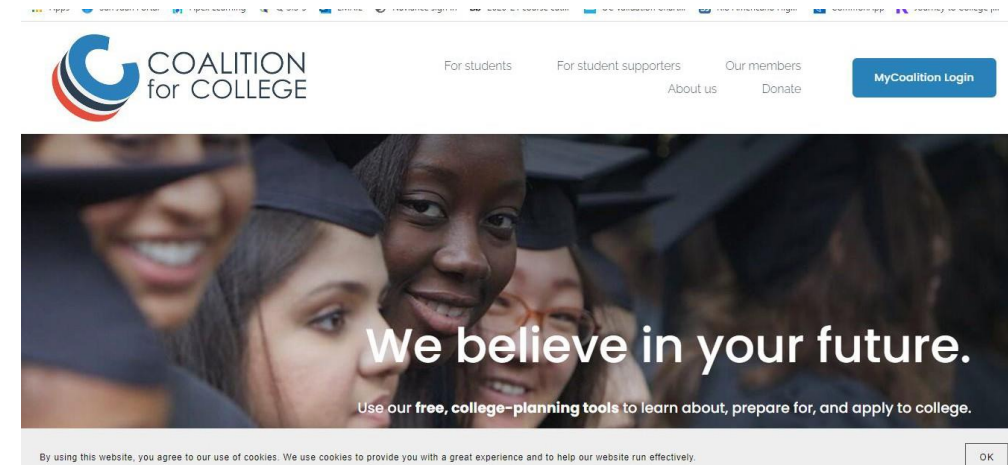
Common Application

- Application: <https://www.commonapp.org/>
- Only for private colleges. UC's and CSU's are not on Common App.
- You must "invite" counselor and teacher.
- Counselor will upload your transcript, letter of rec, and school profile



Coalition Application

- ▶ Application: <https://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/>
- ▶ Only for private colleges. UC's and CSU's are not on Common App.
- ▶ You must "invite" counselor and teacher.
- ▶ Counselor will upload your transcript, letter of rec, and school profile



Out of State Colleges/Universities

- Check the college's website for deadlines, dates, and application.
- Check the requirements as they may be different than CA requirements.

WUE:

- Go to the **WUE (Western Undergraduate Exchange)** website to see which participating out-of-state community colleges and universities are listed
- <https://www.wiche.edu/tuition-savings/wue/>

Check the GPA Requirements for each WUE college

- If you get a WUE scholarship you will pay only 1 ½ times in-state tuition
 - That is a huge savings and some students pay less than attending a California public college/university

DEFINITIONS OF ADMISSION OPTIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST *SUITS YOU?*

Regular Decision	Rolling Admission	Early Action (EA)	Early Decision (ED)	Restrictive Early Action (REA)
DEFINITION: Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision in a clearly stated period of time.	DEFINITION: Institutions review applications as they are submitted and render admission decisions throughout the admission cycle.	DEFINITION: Students apply early and receive a decision well in advance of the institution's regular response date.	DEFINITION: Students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted they definitely will enroll and withdraw all other applications. The application deadline and decision deadline occur early.	DEFINITION: Students apply to an institution of preference and receive a decision early. They may be restricted from applying ED or EA or REA to other institutions. If offered enrollment, they have until May 1 to confirm.
COMMITMENT: NON-BINDING	COMMITMENT: NON-BINDING	COMMITMENT: NON-BINDING	COMMITMENT: BINDING	COMMITMENT: NON-BINDING
Students are not restricted from applying to other institutions and have until May 1 to consider their options and confirm enrollment.			Students are responsible for determining and following restrictions.	

Early Action vs. Early Decision

Early Action

Early action plans are nonbinding: Students receive an early response to their application but do not have to commit to the college until the normal reply date of May 1.

Early Decision

Early decision plans are binding: A student who is accepted as an ED applicant must attend the college.

- Only one Early Decision application allowed
- Must withdraw all other applications if admitted

A student could consider applying Early Action or Early Decision if the student:

- Has researched colleges extensively.
- Is absolutely sure that the college is the first choice.
- Has found a college that is a strong match academically, socially and geographically.
- Meets or exceeds the admission profile for the college for SAT scores, GPA, and class rank.
- Has an academic record that has been consistently solid over time.

Student Athletes



- Planning to play a sport in college?
- Register with NCAA Eligibility Center ASAP <https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>
- Division 1 and Division 2 athletes:
 - Course requirements are different than college admissions requirements
 - You may still need submit SAT or ACT scores depending on your GPA

Sending Test Scores, if you have them

SAT & AP: <https://www.collegeboard.org/>

ACT: <http://www.act.org/>

You can choose which scores to send, or you can send all of your scores.

Costs \$\$ for each score you send.

Student athletes playing sports in college need to send test scores to NCAA Code 9999

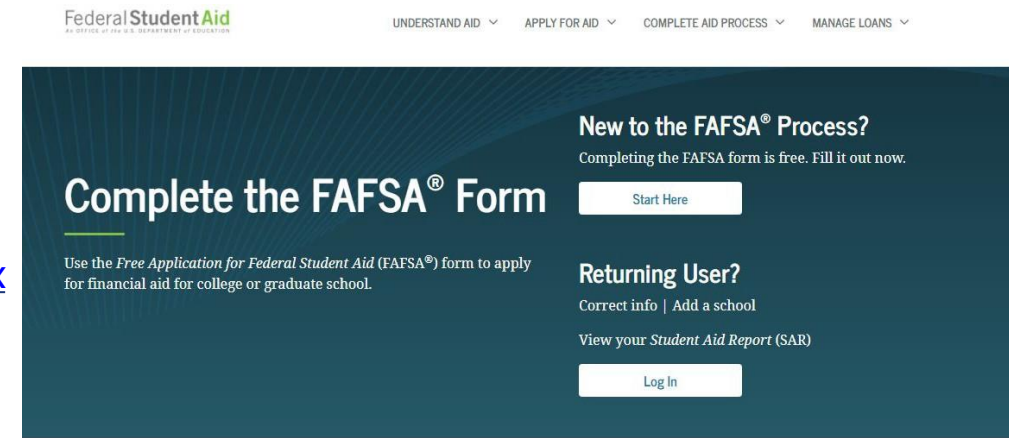
***El Camino CANNOT SEND SAT & ACT SCORES TO UNIVERSITIES; YOU MUST
ORDER & SEND SCORE REPORTS FROM THE TESTING WEBSITES***

Tips for filling out College Applications

- When applying to colleges, use a personal email address. Do NOT use your SJUSD email.
 - Use an appropriate email
- Check your email and college portals regularly.
- Double check your work. Once you submit your application you can't go back and edit.
- Use spell check.
- List everything accurately (grades, test scores, class titles, extra-curriculars, etc.)
- Do not have your parent or anyone else fill out your applications.

Financial Aid and Scholarships

- **Free Application For Federal Student Aid:** www.fafsa.ed.gov
- **CA Dream Act Application:** <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/application/NewUserAccess.aspx>
 - Completing the FAFSA is the first step in applying for any need based financial aid
 - You will need your parents help with filling out FAFSA.
 - Every student should fill out the FAFSA, no matter what your plans are for after H.S.
- **2025-2026 Important Information:**
 - FAFSA is due to open December 1st, 2024 (was delayed last year)
 - Priority Deadline: March 2nd, 2025
 - Using 2023 Tax Year/Income
 - Direct exchange between IRS and Department of Education
 - **EC's Cash 4 College night will be: February 6th, 2025**
- Scholarships:
 - Use Naviance's Scholarship Match
 - El Camino's College and Career website: <https://elcaminocollegeandcareer.com/>
 - Check out the colleges you're applying to because they may offer scholarships.



TRANSCRIPTS

Use the **ECHS PARCHMENT QR CODE**
FOR REQUESTING AND SENDING TRANSCRIPTS TO COLLEGES

For help with transcripts please see:

Ms. Kristine Swartz, ECHS Registrar
Kristinemae.swartz@sanjuan.edu

TRANSCRIPTS

<https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/6879/institution>



MY ROLE

Student's

- ▶ Plan
- ▶ Research
- ▶ **COMMUNICATE**
- ▶ Use resources
- ▶ Time Management
- ▶ Be Action Oriented
- ▶ Ask for help



Parent's

- ▶ Communicate
- ▶ Support
- ▶ **ENCOURAGE**
- ▶ Engage



Counselor's

- ▶ Guide
- ▶ **SUPPORT**
- ▶ Encourage
- ▶ Letters of Recs
- ▶ Counselor Reports
- ▶ Communicate





Upcoming Events!

09/26/2024

College Night 2024

Visit booths to meet with college representatives from CSUs, UCs, Private Schools, Community Colleges, and many more

5:30pm-7:30pm

Rio Americano High School

**Transportation provided from El Camino...if interested be sure to turn in a permission slip to Room 25 or the Counseling Office*

SJUSD College Week –

September 23rd-27th

<https://sites.google.com/sanjuan.edu/sjUSDcollegeweek2021/home>

College and Career Center

Students can drop-in or make an appointment for:

- College Application help
- Scholarship Applications & Opportunities
- Financial Aid Application help
- Community College Pathways and Concentrations
- CSU, UC, Community College, Private, and Out of state College Information
- College Essay/Letters of recommendation
- Transcript Assistance

College & Career Center - Room 25:

- News and Events for the Month
- List of College and Financial Aid Deadlines
- Military Branch/Enlistment Information
- Work Permits

Student Drop-in Hours

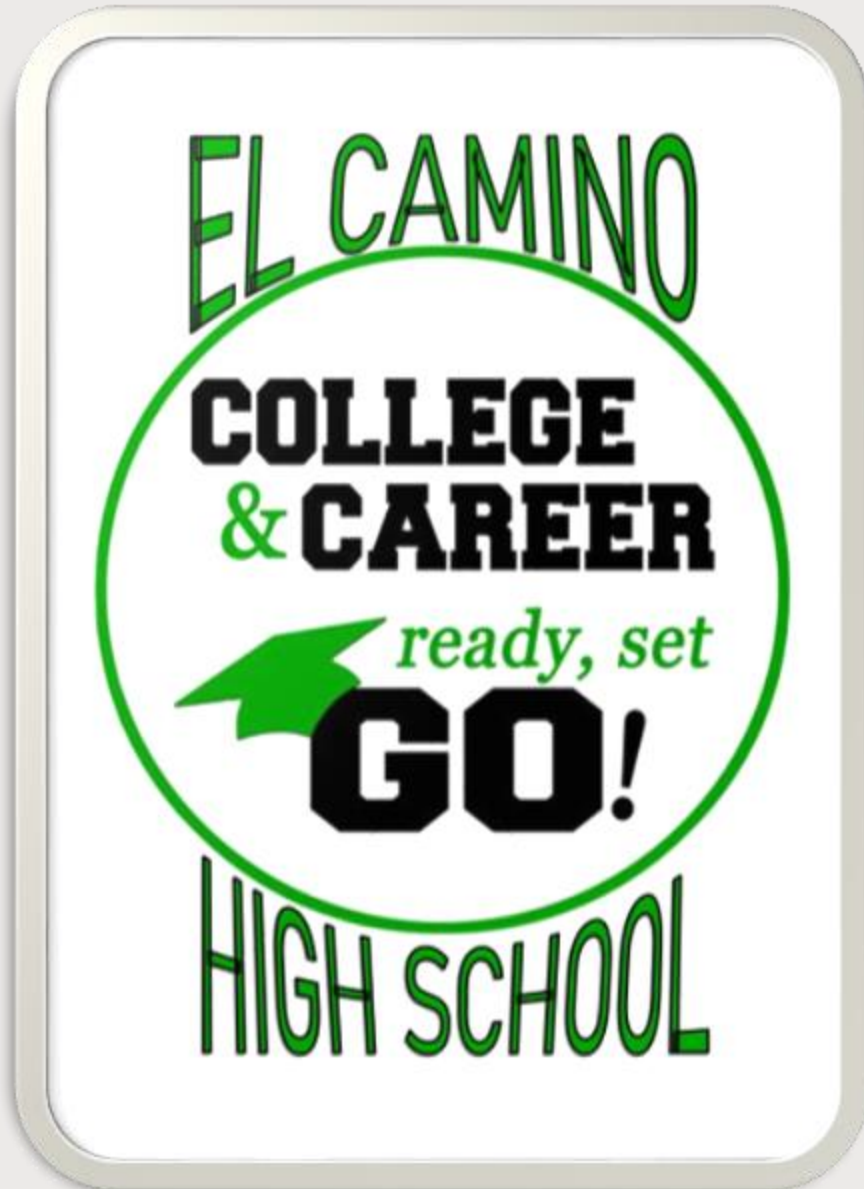
- 7:30am - 8:30am - Lunch - After school until 4:00pm – OR by appointment
- College Application & Financial Aid Workshops **coming soon!**

Website: elcaminocollegeandcareer.com



[elcamino_collegeandcareer](https://www.instagram.com/elcamino_collegeandcareer)

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ALL NIGHT GRADUATION PARTY



ALL NIGHT GRAD
QR CODE



JUNE 6, 2025
10:30PM-5:00AM

