

12TH GRADE COLLEGE PRESENTATION

- ACT & SAT
- Application deadlines
- Application Tips
- Naviance

Who can help me?

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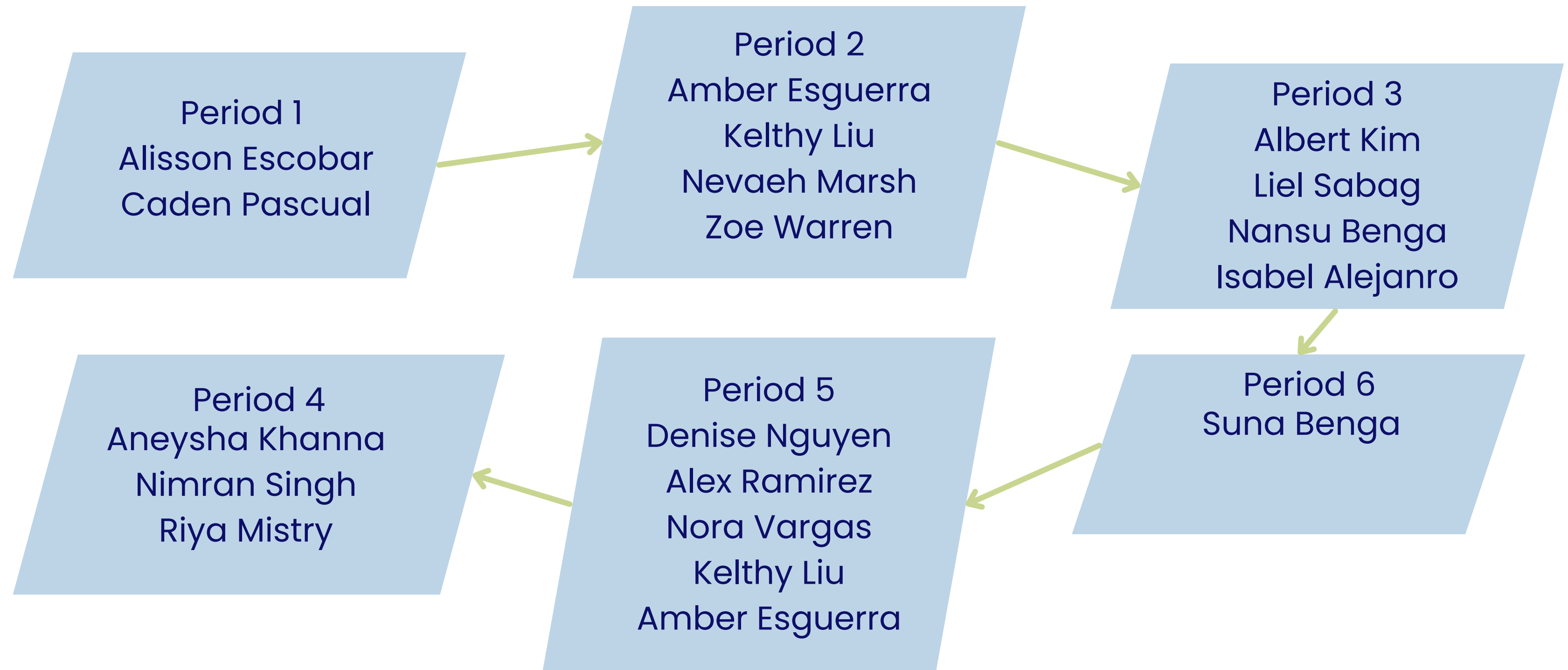
Mrs. Murcia- P-Z



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Who can help me? PCC (Leadership)



Where can I get help?

Wednesday Workshop

- 9/4** How to get started on the College Application process. What do I need to know?
- 9/11** How to write an effective college essay
- 9/18** What you need to know about the UC application
- 9/25** Meetings with Mrs. Stern

***please bring your school laptop**

- 10/2** CSU Application Workshop*
- 10/9** How to write a College essay
- 10/16** UC/CSU Application Workshop*

**All the way
to November
20th
Check Canvas
page**



EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING
except the last Wednesday of every month

COLLEGE APPLICATION BOOTCAMP

**EVERY WEDNESDAY
MORNING** (EXCEPT
FOR THE LAST WED
OF EACH MONTH)

**AT THE COLLEGE &
CAREER CENTER**

TIME: 8:30-9:20 AM

**DROP BY AND
BRING YOUR
COMPUTER**





SAT vs ACT

- Colleges are:
 - Test optional
 - Test Flexible
 - They **want** you to turn in a test in but you don't have to.
 - Test blind
 - UCs/Cal states=BLIND
- Every institution has their own policies. Be sure to check
- UC & CSU is test blind. This means that even if you submit scores, they will not use it.
- Private and out of state schools may still either require it or be test optional. But it is not a requirement. You need to check individual colleges if they need it.

Comprehensive/Holistic Review– Most colleges will consider these factors

- Academic achievement — GPA, curricular rigor, academic trajectory
- [REDACTED] honors programs, special projects
- Personal, school and family context
- Special talents, skills, awards, leadership
- Life experiences and special circumstances

UC Schools

vs

Common App Schools

- 4 year college
- 3.00 minimum
- There are 9 UC schools
- Application opens Aug. 1 - Dec 2
- <https://apply.universityofcalifornia.edu/>
- Comprehensive application
- No letter of rec
- Personal insight questions



- 4 year college
- Common App opens Aug. 1
- Application deadline varies
- Holistic Review
- SAT or ACT may be required
- Supplemental Essays (extra essay)
- **Letters of Recommendation** are required: 1 college counselor & 2 teachers (request teachers through Naviance)
- You must fill out a recommendation packet



REC PACKET

September 27 deadline for
EA, ED and REA priority

October 25 deadline for
regular decision with
interview

December 6 deadline for
recommendation request
without an interview



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**You can get it on the
College & Career
Canvas page and in the
office**

EA- Early Action

- **Apply early,**

REA- Restrictive Early Action

- **only 1 Early Action school**

ED- Early Decision

- **If you get in, you must go**

YOU MUST WAIVE FERPA?

Remember to **Match** the account and **waive** your FERPA rights. This means you cannot read the recommendation letters

2. COMMON APP

Dashboard | My Colleges | Common App | College Search | Financial Aid

My Colleges

California Lutheran University

College Information

Application

Questions

Recommenders and FERPA

Review and Submit - Common App

Recommendations and FERPA

Recommenders are people who will submit forms to colleges on your behalf. This page shows which recommender types this college needs. Each college will have different requirements.

⚠️ FERPA Release Authorization

Before you can invite your counselor, teachers, recommenders, parents, or advisors, you must complete the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) release authorization process.

[Learn more about FERPA](#)

[Complete Release Authorization](#)

[Continue](#)

1. NAVIANCE

Naviance

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Colleges I'm Applying To

Search for Colleges

⚠️ It looks like you are not currently able to apply to Common App schools. Match your Common App account to Naviance Student account to get started.

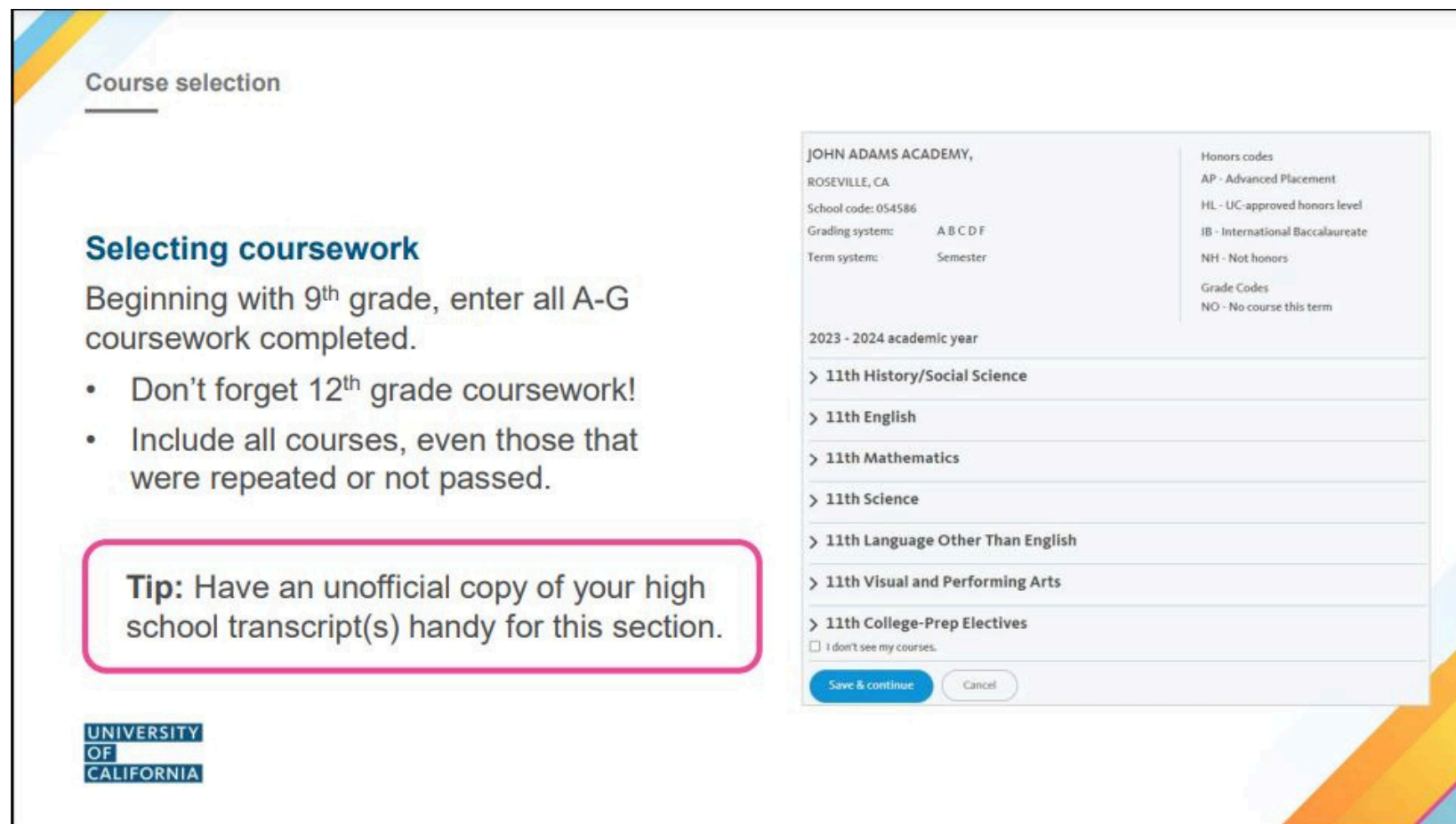
[Match Account](#)

3. SUCCESSFUL MATCH

Colleges I'm Applying To

- ✓ You have matched your Common app account using the name [REDACTED]
- CA match email: [REDACTED] | Common App ID: [REDACTED]
- ✓ FERPA completed

HELPFUL TIPS: UC APP




The screenshot shows the 'Course selection' section of the UC App. On the left, under 'Selecting coursework', it says 'Beginning with 9th grade, enter all A-G coursework completed.' and lists two bullet points: 'Don't forget 12th grade coursework!' and 'Include all courses, even those that were repeated or not passed.' Below this is a tip in a pink box: 'Tip: Have an unofficial copy of your high school transcript(s) handy for this section.' The University of California logo is at the bottom left. On the right is a form for 'JOHN ADAMS ACADEMY, ROSEVILLE, CA' with fields for School code (054586), Grading system (A B C D F), and Term system (Semester). It also has a section for 'Honors codes' with options AP, HL, IB, and NH, and a 'Grade Codes' section with a 'NO' option. Below this is a list of courses for the '2023 - 2024 academic year' with expandable arrows for 11th History/Social Science, 11th English, 11th Mathematics, 11th Science, 11th Language Other Than English, 11th Visual and Performing Arts, and 11th College-Prep Electives. At the bottom of the form are 'Save & continue' and 'Cancel' buttons.

- List only **A-G classes**. No health, PE, or Tech arts competed at ECR--If it's not in the choices, you will likely you wont' put it because it's not an A-G class
- You can put that information in the **Additional Comments** section
- List **ALL the schools** you attended. This includes summer school classes at OFL, Mission if you took an A-G class there.
- Current senior class: IP, Next semester classes PL



UC/CSU Application Course Information

Make sure to make these changes on your app

- 12th grade AP Macro Economic (G Req) changes to Principles of American Democracy (not to AP Government)
 - 12th grade AP Government & Politics changes to Economics (not to AP Econ)
 - 12th grade Principles of American Democracy changes to Economics
 - 12th grade Economics (G Req) changes to Principles of American Democracy
 - 12th grade Honors English Literature changes to Honors Advanced Composition
 - 12th grade ERWC 12AB (Expository Reading & Writing 12AB)
 - 11th grade (H) American Literature changes to (H) Contemporary Composition
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HELPFUL TIPS: CHANGE YOUR COURSE NAMES

Have a UC/CSU
transcript in
front of you so
you can make
sure you list your
classes as they
are listed on your
transcript

HELPFUL TIPS: ACTIVITIES & AWARDS

Activities & awards

Applicants can enter **up to 20** activities across 6 categories.

Enter the activities and categories that best reflect your interests and achievements.

Students are not required to have an entry for each category.

Tip: Spell out unfamiliar acronyms when listing your involvements!

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Activities & awards

Add activities & awards


You can enter your activities and awards one at a time dropdown menu below. Once you've selected a category, activity or award in the follow-up questions.

Description of categories

Award or honor: We want to know about the awards that mean the most to you.

Educational preparation programs: Any programs or academic experiences that helped you prepare for college.

Extracurricular activity: These could include hobbies, sports, or other activities you had the chance to tell us about.

Other coursework: These are courses other than those that do not fit in UC's "a-g" subject areas. 

Volunteering / Community service: These are activities you did without getting paid.

Work experience: This is for telling us about any paid work you have done.

Activity/Award [1]

Category*

-- select --

-- select --

- Award or honor
- Educational preparation program
- Extracurricular activity
- Other coursework
- Volunteer / Community service
- Work experience

- There are six categories
- 350 characters
- Choose experiences that have meaning, interests, and/or demonstrate leadership.
- You should do their best to categorize activities in a way that makes sense
- You don't need to have something in each of the categories.

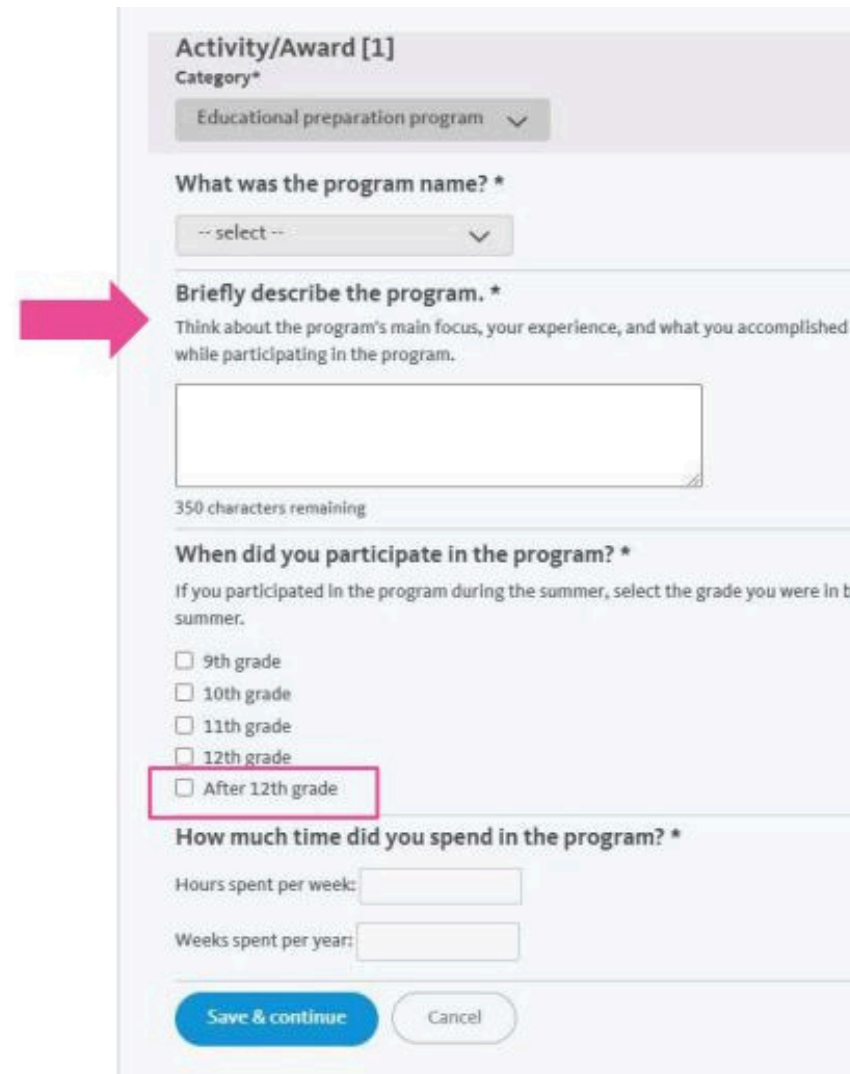
ACTIVITIES & AWARDS: DON'TS

Activities & awards continued

When describing the activity, focus on your **role, responsibility** and **accomplishments** rather than just describing the activity itself.

Don't forget to select the 12th grade checkbox if you plan to continue this involvement in your senior year!

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The screenshot shows a form titled 'Activity/Award [1]'. It includes a 'Category*' dropdown menu set to 'Educational preparation program'. Below this is a 'What was the program name? *' dropdown menu. The next section is 'Briefly describe the program. *' with a text area and a '350 characters remaining' indicator. The 'When did you participate in the program? *' section has a note: 'If you participated in the program during the summer, select the grade you were in during the summer.' It lists checkboxes for '9th grade', '10th grade', '11th grade', '12th grade', and 'After 12th grade'. A pink arrow points to the 'After 12th grade' checkbox. The 'How much time did you spend in the program? *' section has input fields for 'Hours spent per week:' and 'Weeks spent per year:'. At the bottom are 'Save & continue' and 'Cancel' buttons.

- Avoid using acronyms for names of clubs or awards. Assume they don't know anything about it
- Don't just list: Explain level of involvement in detail.
Remember, what's important is what **YOU did**, not just what the activity is.
- Avoid listing the same activity in more than one section.

PIQ

PIQs

Personal Insight Questions (PIQs)

- Respond to 4 of the 8 questions
- All questions hold equal value
- 350 words maximum per response
- Focus on the content, not the style, of your writing
- May be used for admission and scholarship consideration

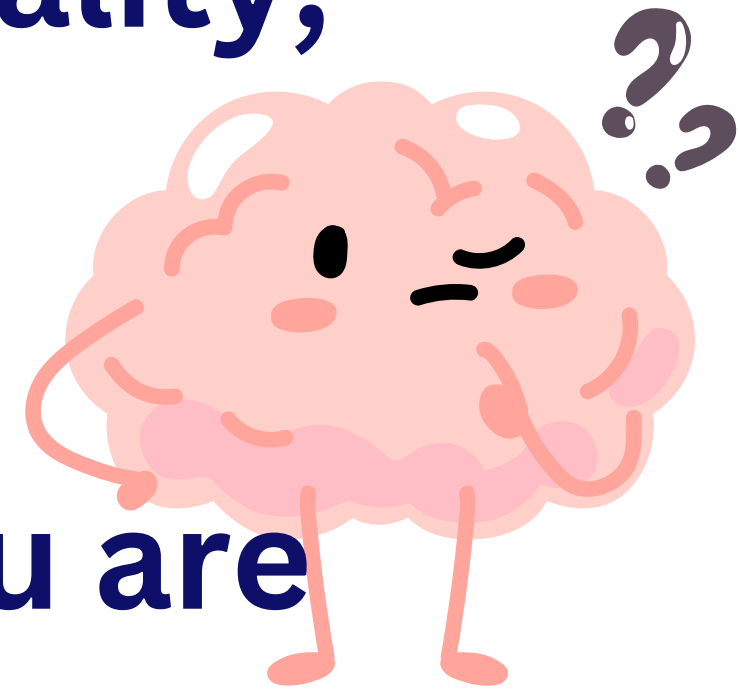


UC PERSONAL INSIGHT QUESTIONS

Personal- Tell your story, show your personality, and individuality. You can use “I”

Insight- Connect the dots, tell them why you are telling the story. Don't assume the readers know what you are thinking. Self reflection is important

Questions-Think of these question like an interview question. These are not an English essay



COMMON APP PROMPTS

Choose **1** out of 7 (max 650 words)

- The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. **How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?**
- Reflect on a time when you questioned or challenged a belief or idea. **What prompted your thinking?** What was the outcome?
- Reflect on something that someone has done for you that has made you happy or thankful in a surprising way. **How has this gratitude affected or motivated you?**
- Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a **new understanding of yourself or others.**

California State University



- 4 year college
- 2.50 minimum
- There are 23 CSU campuses
- Application opens Oct. 1 - Nov. 30
- <https://www.calstate.edu/apply>
- Straightforward application
 - No essay required
 - No extracurriculars required
 - No letter of rec



CSU-IMPACTION

- Our local Cal State is CSUN
- CSUN rep is here Tues 9:30-1
- If you apply to CSUN with 2.65* or higher
- San Diego State majors are all impacted
- CSUN Impacted majors from Fall 2025: cinema & television arts: film production, television production

The major you pick for CSU may be important

[LINK](#)

Community College

- “2 year” college
 - You can transfer to UC, CSU, Priv., Out of State after 2 years (about 60 credits)
- Only requirements: High School diploma and/or 18 years of age
- Opens anywhere from October to Spring semester
- Pierce Rep is here every Monday 9:30-1

PROS

- Promise Program
 - Must file FAFSA or Dream Act and take summer program to qualify- **FREE Tuition**
- Some CC offers bachelor's degree (Cerritos, LA Valley)
- Transfer rates to competitive schools are higher than freshmen admit



San Diego

First-year admit stats

Applicants: **134,444**
Admits: 35,984
Overall admit rate: 26.8%

Transfer admit stats

Applicants: 22,488
Admits: 12,298
Overall admit rate: 54.7%

Santa Barbara

First-year admit stats

Applicants: **110,256**
Admits: 36,312
Overall admit rate: 32.9%

Transfer admit stats

Applicants: **18,421**
Admits: 11,386
Overall admit rate: 61.8%

UCLA

First-year admit stats

Applicants: **146,271**
Admits: 13,128
Overall admit rate: 9.0%

Transfer admit stats

Applicants: **27,167**
Admits: 6,070
Overall admit rate: 22.3%

UC Berkeley

First-year admit stats

Applicants: 124,242
Admits: 13,701
Overall admit rate: 11.0%

Transfer admit stats

Applicants: 21,496
Admits: 5,454
Overall admit rate: 25.4%

UC Stat 2024 Cycle



Look at the transfer rate!!

TAG Program

Transfer Admission Guarantee

- You cannot tag UCLA, UC Berkeley, and UCSD
- You meet the criteria, keep up the GPA then you are guaranteed admission
- **Must meet with TAG counselor because TAG can be complicated**
- Some majors like Computer Science or Engineering are not tag-eligible
- You can still apply to other schools while tagging that one school



Honors Program Transfer Program (HTP)

What are the requirements to apply?

- Incoming high school students are required to have a minimum cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher before applying to the program.

What are the benefits?

- Priority admission consideration for universities
- Priority registration for local community college classes
- Smaller class size with excellent, committed professors
- Increased interaction with transfer counselors
- Informative workshops designed to help students succeed and when they transfer
- UCLA application “alternate major” option—increase your chances of being accepted to UCLA!
- Permanent notation of honors participation college transcript



FAFSA / Dream Act

Financial Aid

- FAFSA & Dream Act - Open Dec 1
 - Aid from the State/Government
- We suggest that don't file until January 2025
- Need parent/guardian tax info (using 2023 tax year)
- You will need to file a FAFSA/Dream Act for **Promise Program**
- **“ALL-IN”- ALL 12th graders need to submit FAFSA or Dream Act (AB 469)**
- Financial Aid Night offered-Early Spring semester



Located on your MyECRSSO page



Aeries



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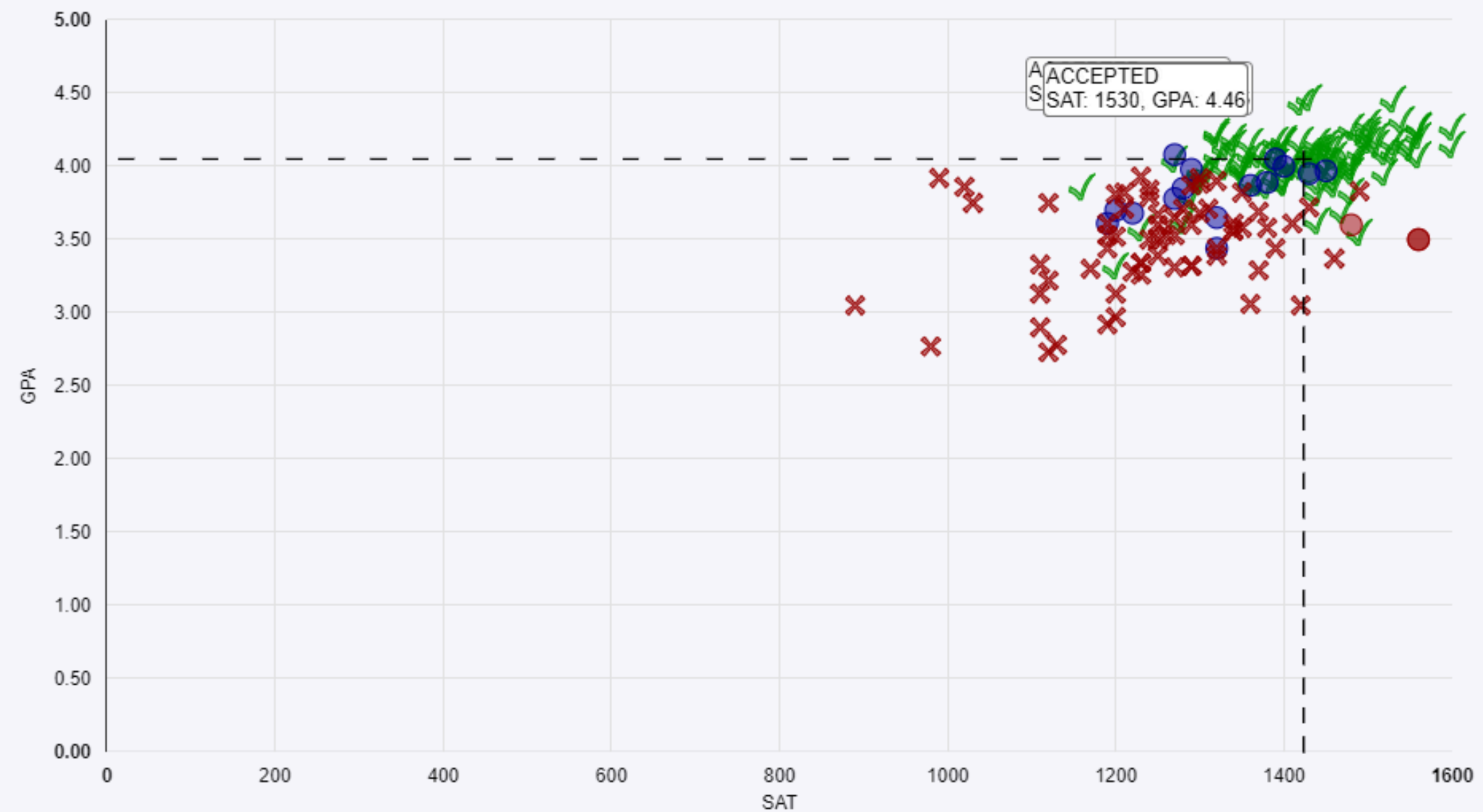
Admissions

Costs


Spotlights


Scattergrams | Applications for El Camino Real Senior High School

Comparing Weighted GPA with SAT (1600) ▾




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MY COLLEGES

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Scholarship is free money but you have to apply for them

Letter of Recommendation



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Plan for life after high school and select the path that will lead to future success.

Select Path

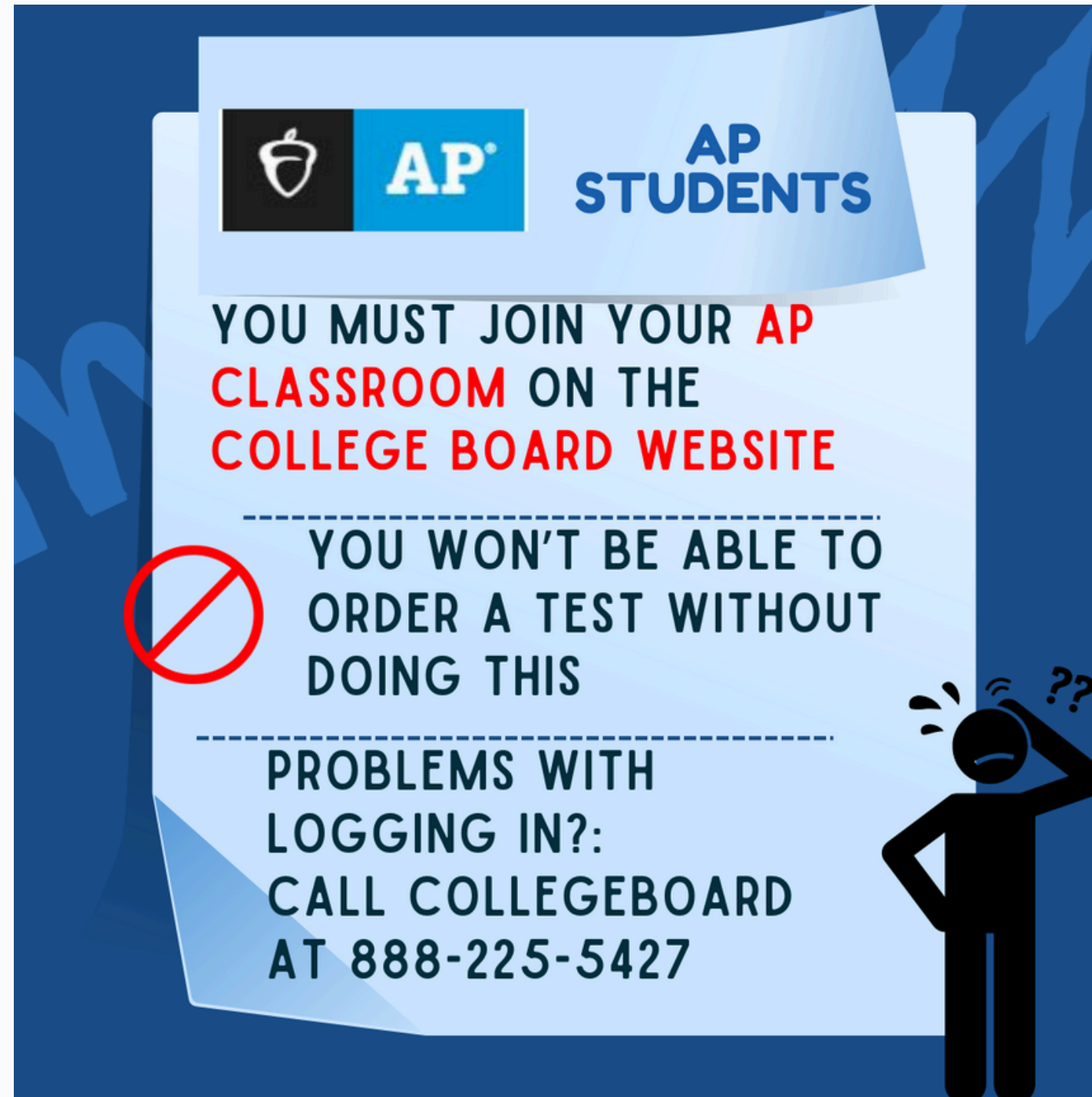
Please check out the resources in the tabs above. Come to the College & Career Center if you have any questions.

[Additional Information from Your School](#)

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- If you are taking AP tests:




AP STUDENTS

YOU MUST JOIN YOUR AP CLASSROOM ON THE COLLEGE BOARD WEBSITE

 YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO ORDER A TEST WITHOUT DOING THIS

PROBLEMS WITH LOGGING IN?:
CALL COLLEGEBOARD
AT 888-225-5427



The graphic is a light blue rectangular card with a folded top edge, set against a dark blue background. At the top left is the AP logo (a black square with a white acorn) and the text 'AP' in white on a blue square. To the right is 'STUDENTS' in blue. The main text is in black and red. A red prohibition sign is to the left of the second paragraph. A black stick figure is at the bottom right, looking confused. The background has faint, large blue letters 'AP'.



CALL ME IN

GO TO COLLEGE & CAREER CANVAS PAGE:

GO TO MODULES

GO TO SURVEY: 12TH GRADE **IF YOU WANT TO
BE CALLED INTO THE OFFICE**