




ALAMEDA HIGH SCHOOL

COLLEGE AND CAREER NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY ISSUE  **2025-2026**

EVENTS:

Wed Jan 28th	AHS Cash for College Workshop for Seniors <u>What to Bring</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Create your FSA ID before you come! - Laptop or Chromebook 	6:00-8:00 pm Media Center
Sat. 2/7	Black College Expo in Oakland @ the Marriott City Center Register	10:00 - 3:00 pm
Thur 2/12	Marines Presentation 	SMART sign up in scoir

Scholarships: There are thousands of scholarships out there for students. You need to make an effort to search for scholarships that you qualify for.

- AHS College & Career Center's [Scholarship Page](#): Begin here.

Scholarships are listed chronologically & are all hyperlinked. I am updating this page weekly so if you see a 2024 deadline, use this as a reference for when the 2025 deadline will most likely be.

- A spreadsheet might help you stay organized - [Scholarship Organizer](#)

SENIORS:

- Please update SCOIR with all of the schools you have "Applied." This will help Ms. Lori send your transcript to schools if they are requesting it.
- Some CSUs may want **"Mid-Year Transcripts"** with your 1st semester grades. Please make sure all of your colleges are listed in the "APPLIED" column in SCOIR and email or message Ms. Lori which schools are requesting transcripts. (ALL Common App schools will receive them through the Common App)

- Cal Grant eligibility deadline - you must submit your [FAFSA](#) or [CADAA](#) by **March 2nd**. Need help? Come to the AHS Cash for College Workshop on 1/28 details in the "EVENTS" column. I will have financial aid helpers on hand to assist you.

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- **Community College enrollment will begin in March/April. I will advertise the dates so be on the lookout.**

Visit the CCC website for more information on college, career, scholarships, financial aid, test prep, job and volunteer postings, and more! Click [HERE](#)



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JUNIORS: How to begin your College Search?

For those Juniors who missed my January presentation in your English class, here is a video of my presentation - [LINK](#)

Finish Strong! Your 2nd semester grades matter.

Will schools continue being test optional for the class of 2027? **YOU** have to do your research & understand the admission requirements are for each of the schools you are interested in applying.

Note: **UCs & CSUs** are [TEST BLIND](#)

Who needs to take the SAT or ACT this spring?

- Students who might want to apply internationally
- Students who want to apply to one of our U.S. Service Academies (e.g. West Point)
- Strong test takers who think a test can add value to their application to a selective admissions school
- Who is requiring a test? So far, MIT & Georgetown and some public universities like Florida & Tennessee.

Fee waivers for the SAT and ACT are available for students who qualify. Please email lbustos@alamedaunified.org if you want more information.

AUSD will be hosting a SAT test day on **March 16th** (cost \$75 at school bank).

Considering a career in the skilled trades?

Tuesday & Thursdays - Luis Galvan is on campus and available to meet with juniors & seniors interested in learning about the trades.

Please scan the QR code and fill out the questionnaire



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