Juniors

Post-high school planning

Spring 2026

How to Set and Achieve Your Personal Goals for Life After High School



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Session #1

AGENDA

- General need to know information
- College & Career Resources
- Presenter overview
- Breakout sessions





Information at your fingertips: Canvas **Class of 2027**

Resources and Advising Lessons

- Post High School Planning Presentations
- Grade-level advising lessons
- College resources
- Course registration information



CaliforniaColleges.edu

Find your path and build knowledge, skills, and a plan to achieve your dreams.

What kind of life do you want after high school?

- Find careers, colleges or training to reach your gaols.
- Learn how to find money to pay for college
- Launch **ALL** college and financial aid applications

Preparing for Senior Year

APRIL

Planning Summer Visits

- During your college visits, meet with an admissions representative and a Financial Aid Officer to find out what types of aid are available.
- Sign up for college mailing lists and use free online vitual tours

MAY

Testing

- Register for SAT or ACT if needed
- Take AP exams
- Continue investigating sources of financial aid
- Confirm Senior Year classes, maintain rigor

JUNE

Prepare

- Obtain a summer job that might be related to your career interests
- Start saving money
- Visit campuses of interest in person if possible

JULY

Get to Work

- Begin brainstorming your outline for college essays
- Work on the UC's PIQs
- Participate in summer experiences
- Refine and finalize your college list (likely, possible, and reach schools)

AUGUST

Review & Apply

- Get feedback on your college essay, PIQs & personal statement, and finalize
- Research admission requirements and deadlines for schools on your list - create a spreadsheet



Financial Aid

Fill out the FAFSA even if you're not sure you'll get financial aid. Each year, almost 90,000 California students miss out on major grant money because they choose not to fill out the FAFSA--don't be one of them!

- You can fill out your FAFSA online starting **October 1** of your senior year in high school.
- Be sure to apply by the **March 2** Cal Grant deadline so you can be considered for this big state grant.
- Your college may have earlier deadlines for school-based awards. Check with the financial aid office.

Get started by creating your FSA ID#





College & Career Center Updates

Mrs. McHone

Tips for staying up to date:

- Join the College & Career Remind Account
- Check The Grizzly Guide - sent out on Mondays
- ASVAB - offered twice a year October & April
- College Admin Rep Visits - Ongoing

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Presenter Panel

UC

University of California

CSU

California State University

COMMON APPLICATION

Private & Out of State Schools

COMMUNITY COLLEGE & CTE

Sierra College

MILITARY

US Marines, US Navy, US Air Force, US Army

Today’s Schedule

01

Breakout 1	9:00 - 9:25am
UC (only session)	Theater
CSU	Library
Common App	Cafeteria
Sierra/CTE	Counseling Center
Military	Mr. Gieck’s Room 819

02

Breakout 2	9:30 - 9:55am
CSU	Library
Common App	Cafeteria
Sierra/CTE	Counseling Center
Military	Mr. Gieck’s Room 819



We are taking attendance today!

Attendance will be taken for each session. Use the breakout QR code to check in

Thank you!!!



College Application Support

Drop-In Support in October & November

The Counseling Center will be open during Wednesday one lunch in October and November to support students as they work through their college application question.