



ALAMEDA HIGH SCHOOL

COLLEGE AND CAREER NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER ISSUE



2026-2027

EVENTS

Upcoming College Visits

Register to attend a visit in Scoir. Pick up a pass from Ms. Lori once you register for the visit.

Tues 9/8	Oregon State University	1:20 pm SMART
TH 9/10	University College, Dublin	1:20/ SMART
TH 9/10	Washington State University	1:20 pm SMART
Tues 9/15	Gonzaga University	1:20 pm SMART
Tues 9/15	University of the Pacific	1:20pm SMART
Weds 9/16	UC Berkeley	230pm Early release
Thurs 9/17	Cal State Monterey Bay	11:00am
Thurs 9/17	Macalester College	1:20 SMART
Tues 9/22	University of Puget Sound	1:20pm SMART

To enjoy all of the hyperlinks - I recommend your download this Newsletter!

Follow the AHS CCC on Instagram:

@hornets_buzz_ccc



College Visits for September

All college visits are in-person, so reserve your spot!
See page 4 for more details about Scoir

Students must Register for all college visits at least one day ahead of the visit

- Once you register for a visit - Students will need to pick-up a PASS from me before SMART period. The CCC is in the Media Center across from The Pit in Rm. E-128 The PASS needs to be signed by your Smart period teacher and brought back to the CCC. I will be taking attendance so I can clear up an absence if you get mis-marked.
- Senior Only Visits - in an effort to bring schools to campus, I may have to schedule a handful of visits during a class period or they are high demand school. Only Seniors will have access to register for these visits.

Mark your calendars:

Alameda's Citywide College Night is Wednesday, October 7th
When: 6:00 - 8:00 pm Where: College of Alameda Gym
40+ colleges will be present. [Come with questions.](#)

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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Thurs 9/24	University of Chicago	1:20 pm Smart
TH 10/1	California Lutheran University	1:20pm SMART
Tue 10/6	UC Santa Barbara	1:20 pm Smart
Wed 10/7	Alameda City Wide College Fair-College of Alameda Gym	6-8pm
TH 10/8	University of British Columbia	1:20pm SMART
Tues 10/13	Butler University	1:20pm SMART
TH 10/15	Loyala Marymount University	1:20pm SMART
TH 10/15	Trinity College Dublin	1:20 pm SMART

SENIORS: Start your senior year strong. Stay on top of your classes as well as important deadlines. Every school still has virtual information sessions and visit options on their website. Sign up for those!

Fall Deadlines:

- ALL UC & CSU applications need to be submitted by **November 30th - No Exceptions!**

- **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) opens on **October 1st for seniors**. Students will be submitting an application for the 2027-28 school year. Parents will be using their 2025 tax returns to fill out the financial portion of this application. The deadline in CA for submission will be March 2027 but I recommend submitting your FAFSA in December or January if possible.

College Applications:

If you have a 3.0 GPA or above you are eligible to apply to a UC. The **UC Application** is now open. You can begin working on it.

UC Application Overview

If you have a 2.5 GPA or above, you are eligible to apply to a CSU. The **CSU application** is now open, begin working on your application.. You have time to do your research about the different CSU campuses. **CSU College Fair**

Common Application is used to apply to Private colleges & Out-of-State universities. Deadlines vary. Do your research about about out-of-state schools that offer tuition discounts to CA students, e.g. **Western Undergraduate Exchange Schools (WUE)**.

Planning to attend Community College after graduation?
Enrollment for **CA Community Colleges** will open in March 2027.

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What about Standardized Testing??

Should seniors or juniors try and take an SAT or ACT for college admissions?

- Who requires testing for 2027 admissions? MIT, Georgetown & US Military Academies to name a few. [Here is a current list from June 2026](#)
- UCs/CSUs will not look at SAT/ACT score. This is what the [UC website](#) says about testing. Same for the CSUs.
- Test Optional means that a student can submit scores if they have them and they think it will add value to their application. Many private colleges and out-of-state schools are test optional this year.
- If you really want to take a practice exam, [Revolution Prep](#) is offering online practice exams this fall for the PSAT, SAT and ACT [Dates and registration Information link](#)

FALL AHS Test Dates: [PSAT ~October 17th \(Changed from 10/3\) \\$30](#)
[SAT ~October 12th/\\$60](#)

How do I search for scholarships?

- Sign up for 1-2 scholarship databases. You can create a profile and give them information that will “supposedly” help them find scholarships where you match the eligibility requirements. Here are a few that I recommend:
- [JLV College Counseling](#) - Scholarship Resource list that I like!
- [Go Merry](#) - Scholarship Database
- [Fastweb](#) - Scholarship database
- [StudentScholarships](#) - Scholarship database
- [Unigo](#) - Scholarship database

Are there only scholarships for seniors? No, but you will see more scholarships for seniors. The scholarship databases can help you find scholarships for 9th, 10th &

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Scoir - pronounced "Score"

<https://app.scoir.com/signup> If they haven't already, students need to register with Scoir as an Alameda High student using their ausdg.us email. They need to be logged in their AUSD Chrome Browser - Single Sign-On is easy - "Sign in with Google".

How do I Register for College visits: **See below**

- Click on your MENU bars in the upper right corner
- and scroll down to "Events & Deadlines"
- Register for the visit
- Come and get a pass from Ms. Lori
- Set a reminder for yourself. Ms. Lori is not your mom. She will not remind you about the visit and she will not deliver passes to you.

Log in

Email *

Password *

Log In

[Forgot password?](#)

or

Log in with Google

Log in with Clever

Log in with ClassLink

New to Scoir? [Create Free Account](#)

Good Morning, Ms. Lori

Find Your College Match Quiz
Take 2 minutes to find your best-fit colleges
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Discover best fit careers for you
Learn more about yourself and careers that could unleash your full potential. Take your assessments to be matched with best fit careers
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You can now begin college applications in Scoir, making for a seamless experience from college search to applying.
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