

Advisor Weekly Update

Week of October 28, 2024

This weekly newsletter is here to help students, parents, and staff stay aware of what is happening at Samohi! The advisors hope you take the time to look this over. There is a lot of helpful information as well as great opportunities to look forward to.

Additional information about what is happening day to day at Santa Monica High School can be found through the Blue Bulletin: <https://www.smmusd.org/BB>.

We will also post information on our Advisor Instagram page. Follow us [@Samo_Advisors](#).

Samohi Schedule for 2024-2025

Monday, Tuesday, Friday	Wednesdays EVEN Flex <i>No AM classes on these days</i>	Thursday ODD Flex
Period A 7:20 – 8:22 AM Period 1 8:30 – 9:25 AM Homeroom 9:34 – 9:43 AM Period 2 9:43 – 10:38 AM Break 10:38 – 10:40 AM Period 3 10:49 – 11:44 AM Period 4 11:53 – 12:48 PM LUNCH 12:48 – 1:23 PM Period 5 1:32 – 2:27 PM Period 6 2:36 – 3:31 PM	<i>Staff Meeting 7:40 – 8:40 AM</i> Period 2 8:55 – 10:24 AM Break 10:24 – 10:26 AM Period 4 10:35 – 12:04 PM Flex-Time 12:13 – 1:03 PM LUNCH 1:03 – 1:38 PM Period 6 1:47 – 3:16 PM	Period A 7:20 – 8:22 AM Period 1 8:30 – 9:59 AM Break 9:59 – 10:01 AM Period 3 10:10 – 11:39 AM Flex-Time 11:48 – 12:39 PM LUNCH 12:39 – 1:14 PM Period 5 1:23 – 2:52 PM <i>Staff Meeting 3:10 – 3:40 PM</i>

Popular Links

Attendance	Super Saturday	ASB Card
TAP Card	Free and Reduced Lunch App	

AP Exams- Deadline is approaching!!!

There are two important steps to complete your registration:



Step 1: Join Your AP Classroom on My AP

Students must join their AP Classroom at myap.collegeboard.org. This step notifies the College Board of your intention to test and unlocks valuable resources, including "AP Daily" videos, practice materials, and sample tests.

Important: Students should verify that they are registered using a personal email address (not your SMMK12 email) to receive all communications from the College Board. Please use the same email address and your full legal name in both registration steps.

Step 2: Register and Pay for Your AP Exams

Registration and payment for AP exams are now open. To register, please visit the following link: www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/053320

Be sure to complete both steps to ensure an AP test is ordered for you!

[Please read the AP Registration Letter for all the details!](#)

Attendance

To report a student's absence, please send an email to your student's appropriate House.

AttendanceSHouse@smmusd.org ext. 71139

AttendanceAHouse@smmusd.org ext. 71208

AttendanceMHouse@smmusd.org ext. 71281

AttendanceOHouse@smmusd.org ext. 71381

AttendancePBL@smmusd.org ext. 71177

Please include your student's first and last names, student ID numbers, and the reason they are absent (illness, family matter, medical or dental appointment, etc.).

[Attendance/Tardy Recovery](#)

Academic Planning

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BE PREPARED.



JOIN US FOR THE
**ACADEMIC
PLANNING**

Date
November 19, 2023

With
Advisor Team

Time
6:00pm-7:30pm

VIA ZOOM

ZOOM LINK WILL BE SENT OUT WEEK PRIOR

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**PLANIFICACIÓN
ACADÉMICA**

Date
19 de noviembre

Con
Equipo de Consejería

Time
6:00pm-7:30pm

VIA ZOOM

**Zoom se enviará para esta presentación la semana
antes**

College Office Announcements

Attention Seniors: if you are applying to colleges that require letter(s) of recommendation and/or official transcript, the Guidelines must be completed– [Letter of Recommendation & Transcript Request Guidelines](#)

Many of you have asked what you need to be working on for your college apps. We got you! The updated [College Admission Application Survival Guide ~ It's Your Senior Year!](#) includes the knitty-gritty on to-do tasks, deadlines, and frequently used websites. We recommend you bookmark it and use it everyday.

Scholarships

- [UNCF Scholarship List](#) - deadlines vary
- [Anthony Quinn Foundation Scholarship Program](#) (provides financial assistance to high school students who wish to attend a recognized pre-college, or summer intensive arts education program) - registration part due 11/30/2024
- [Young Worker Leadership Academy](#) - due 12/1/2024
- [Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Contest](#) (ranging from \$1,000 per year to \$7,500 per year) - due 11/12/2024

Sign up to meet with you college counselor:

Flores (last names A-G) e.flores@smmusd.org <https://calendly.com/appointmentswithflores/letsgettowork>

Honda (H-N) jhonda@smmusd.org <https://calendly.com/julie-honda>

Mejia (O-Z) rmejia@smmusd.org <https://calendly.com/cccmjia>

Parent Project

Parent Project is a FREE program that helps teach parents and caregivers the skills necessary to manage behavioral challenges in teens. Led by mental health providers in collaboration with the SMMUSD Family Engagement Office and SMPD Youth and Family Services Support Coordinator.

[Click here to see flyer in English and Spanish](#)

Free College Essay Program @ Virginia Ave Park

The City of Santa Monica is excited to offer a free 8-week College Essay Workshop for current seniors, designed to help them craft strong and compelling college essays. The workshop will take place **October 21 through December 2 at Virginia Ave Park**, every Monday from 5:30pm-7:00pm + Friday, November 1 from 5:30pm-7:00pm. **If you are interested in enrolling your child**, please email Dolores Romo at Dolores.romo@santamonica.gov.

Black College Summit on October 31

The annual Black College Summit will be held on **Thursday, October 31 from 5:00-8:30pm**, hosted by the Holman United Methodist Church. The event is free and open to the community. [Registration is required.](#)

Many Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HCBU) admission reps will be in attendance; some will even be offering on-site admissions and application fee waivers. High school juniors and seniors and

community college students should bring at least 5 copies of unofficial transcripts and SAT/ACT scores. Students in 9th and 10th grade can also attend. See flyer & [website](#) for details

Samohi Counseling Groups

Counseling groups are now open!

We are offering a variety of support options based on the needs of our students. This is a great opportunity for students to find support and build connections in confidential group therapy sessions.

Groups include: 9th grade young women's group, coping skills for anxiety and depression, finding flow: watercolor art therapy group, affirm-support group for Queer students, SELFY- social emotional learning for youth, write your own story, art therapy journaling group, One on campus, and grief and loss support group.

[Wellness Services Center Website](#)

[Mental Health Referral Form](#)

Culver City Fire Department-Girls Camp

We are excited to announce that registration for the Culver City Fire Department Girls Camp is now open!

Saturday, November 16 & Sunday, November 17, 2024

8 AM - 4 PM

Culver City Fire Department Training Tower

9275 Jefferson Blvd.

Culver City, CA 90232

Over the course of two days, campers will learn how to wear personal protective equipment, climb ladders, pull fire hose, learn Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and more! All teens (ages 14-18) are invited to sign up. Lunch will be provided.

Attendees must register for this FREE event in advance. Space is limited

[Learn more about the CCFD Girls Camp and register today!](#)

Margaret's Place

Margaret's Place is open for the school year in E117 and offers services to students every weekday! At Margaret's Place, our mission is to help end the cycle of violence in our relationships, schools, and communities. We offer free counseling for students, open lunch drop-in, therapeutic recreation activities, and more! See our [newsletter for students](#) and our [newsletter for parents/caregivers](#) to learn more about services and how to get involved, email ldesanto@smmusd.org with any questions.

Volunteer Opportunity

The Plastic Revelation is offering a volunteer opportunity to make a meaningful impact on our environment. Join us for clean-ups around Santa Monica at our beaches and parks. If you are interested, please email info@theplasticrevelation.com or visit our website, theplasticrevelation.org.

Save the Date-Spring SAT

The SAT will be offered to all juniors in the Spring 2025. It will be administered on Wednesday, April 2, 2025. More information will be forthcoming.

Senior Pictures

<https://www.whites-studios.com/book-your-appointment/>

SAMOHI Teen Clinic

In AD 103- Across the hall from the nurse's office, Open on Tuesday from 1 to 3:45 pm and on Thursdays from 8:30 to 11:45 am!

- Immunizations
- Physicals
- Medical Care
- And so much more

[Click here to see the flyers!](#)

FLEX Time

Samohi Flex-Time provides targeted educational opportunities during the school day for intervention and enrichment to best meet student individual needs. It is our goal that Flex-Time will help all students to be more successful. Students will engage in their own learning by building metacognitive and advocacy skills to promote emotional health, explore passions and grow in a focused, academic, and productive environment.

	Office Hours	Library/Writing Center	College Center	Testing Center	Featured Flex-Time
What?	Teacher provides topic, structure, and focus for the room. The following are words that can frame a Flex-Time session: - Review - Refine - Re-explore - Reteach - Reconnect - Rehearse - Research	Student-driven, independent work: - Research - Computer work - Writing help	Location to work on college applications, scholarship applications, and financial aid forms. Additional workshops will be available to discuss how to get prepared for college.	A quiet location for a student to take a test or quiz. This must be pre-arranged with the teacher.	Enrichment opportunities for students involving presentations, assemblies, town hall meetings, and workshops focused on current events, hot topics, and other areas of interest.
Who?	Students sign up and/or teacher can request based on grade.	Students sign up	Students sign up (priority given to Seniors during certain times)	Teacher assigns. Pre-arranged between student and teacher	Students sign up

Weekend Bags Program

SMMUSD's Weekend Bags Program offers nutritious, easy-to-prepare weekend food for Samohi students when school cafeteria breakfasts and lunches are not available. Each Weekend Bag holds two breakfasts, two lunches, and two snacks. The menus have been evaluated by a dietitian and provide a balance of healthy, nutritious non-perishable foods which change each week. Students can drop by and pick up their Weekend Bags on Fridays afterschool from the Vikings' Hub in E113.

Students should let Carla Nuñez, Community Schools Specialist in E113, (or their House Office assistant or their House Advisor) know if they would like to receive Weekend Bags. Families wishing to have their students receive Weekend Bags on Fridays should contact Carla Nuñez at carlanunez@smmusd.org or 310 395-3204 ext. 71-143.

Lost and Found

Did your student lose something, or find something? Send them to the Lost & Found, located in the Textbook Room in the Discovery Building. Lost items should be reported immediately to the student's House Office.



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 2024
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY HALLOWEEN FUN!
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