

CCC Seniors Newsletter - March 1st, 2022

Dear Seniors and Parents,

Spring has (almost) sprung and we are getting closer and closer to the end of the school year! This is a big month. The financial aid deadline is here and the college admissions decisions are going to drop in the next few weeks! Right now, the focus should be on finishing the year strong. By now you should have completed the financial aid applications (FAFSA) or (Cal Dream Act) before the March 2nd deadline. If you have any questions or need any help with anything we are here to help. This newsletter has a lot of great information for you, everything from financial aid information, scholarship information, workshops and presentations coming up, and application portal tips. Stay focused and make sure you stay on top of everything. It can get a little crazy so be sure to pace yourself accordingly, be productive, get enough sleep and exercise to reduce the stress. Know that Ms. Cifuentes and Mr. Slavin are here to support you in any way.

Make sure to stop by and make an appointment or use or calendly links on the school website, <u>here.</u>

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SRHS Scholarship Foundation (SRHSSF)

Scholarship Application 2022

Due March 7th

APPLY HERE!



Testing Reminders



The ACT and SAT are still optional for many colleges for 2022 admissions due to Covid-19,

noted in an Inside Higher Ed article <u>seen here</u>, but be aware that many other students nationwide will be taking the tests and submitting scores. If you are applying to a competitive college or major, it may be advantageous for you to take and submit your scores. You may have to travel farther than Marin to an available test center. **The staff** in the CCC recommends that all students take either test if it is at all possible unless you are only applying to CSUs. The CSUs will <u>not</u> consider SAT or ACT at all in their admissions decisions this fall.

TO FIND THE NEAREST SAT TESTING CENTER TO YOU, CLICK HERE

SAT Dates: 2021-2022

SAT Date	Registration Deadline	Deadline for
May 7, 2022	April 8, 2022	April 26, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 5, 2022	May 25, 2022

ACT Dates: 2021-2022

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
April 2, 2022	February 25, 2022	March 11, 2022
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022	May 20, 2022
July 16, 2022*	June 17, 2022	June 24, 2022

Khan Academy, ACT, and Kaplan are good sources for free online test preparation.

For more info, see https://www.khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat (SAT);

https://academy.act.org (ACT); *Subject tests are not available on this date. Be aware that some colleges and majors (e.g. engineering and sciences) require SAT Subject Tests. See the colleges' website or the CCC staff for their requirements or contact Ms. Cifuentes.



SRHS CCC upcoming Workshops/Presentations

Sign up in the ccc

*Dates and times are subject to change *Dates and times are subject to change

Date Fecha	Presentation/workshop Presentacion o Taller	Time of presentation La hora de la presentacion	Recommended for Recomendado para
Fri. 03/18/2022	How to get into a 4 yr college 101	Lunch Almuerzo	All Grades Todos los grados
	Como llegar a una universidad		
Mon. 03/21/2022	Building Your Resume Workshop	Lunch Almuerzo	All Grades Todos los grados
	Como crear un curriculum academico		
Thr. 03/24/2022	Developing Your College List	Lunch Almuerzo	11th Grade Grado 11
	Como crear la lista de universidades		
Wed. 03/30/2022	Understanding Your Financial Award Letter	Advisory ^{Acessoria}	12th Grade Grado 12
	Como entender la carta de ayuda financiera	Acessona	
Wed. 04/27/2022	Applying to Nursing Schools	Advisory Assosoria	All Grades Todos los grados
	Aplicar a colegios de enfermeria		
Tue. 05/17/2022	College Tips and Tricks		12th Grade Grado 12
	Tips para la unviersidad		
Fri. 05/20/2022	Writing the College App Essays	Lunch Almuerzo	11th Grade Grado 11
	Escribir los ensayos universitarios		

Financial Aid Application Materials needed (FAFSA & Cal Dream Act)

Financial Aid Application (FAFSA & CAL DREAM ACT)

MATERIALS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION YOU WILL NEED TO APPLY.

Student **Parent** 1. Social Security Number (If Parent 2020 Tax Return **Parents Social Security** applicable) 2. **US Permanent Resident Number** (If applicable) **card** (If applicable) **Parent Email Address** 3. 3. Student 2020 Tax Return (If 4. Parent(S) Date of Birth applicable) 5. Parent Full Legal Name (must 4. Student Full Legal Name match social security card if they have one or birth (must match social security card if you have one or birth certificate) certificate)

Grades are self-reported on college applications and that's what admissions officers will use to make a decision. Often times they are following up with requesting transcripts but it's important to pay attention to 2 things:

- 1. Are they asking for an unofficial transcript? or an official transcript?
- 2. When is it due?

If they are asking for an <u>unofficial transcript</u>, that's something the student can either download as a pdf or take a screenshot from Aeries or email Ms. Cifuentes or Mr. Slavin asking for a pdf email of the unofficial transcript.

If they are asking for <u>official transcripts</u> check the due date because most of them aren't due until June. In this case at the end of the year the counselors will give each student a "Senior Survey" in this survey students will indicate where they want their official transcripts sent. If the due date is soon please contact Ms. Pipkin in the counseling office for official transcripts.

College Portals

Set up portals for each college to which you've applied. Most colleges communicate with applicants through the portal system. This is a critical account that you need to set up for each college in order to receive important information regarding the status of your application materials, deadlines, scholarship invitations, events, etc. You should already have received an email from each college instructing you how to do so; check your email and spam folders for these. If you have not received a message from each college by now, google the school name and key words, such as "UC Davis freshman application portal," and it will take you to the page where you set up your account. Be sure to record your login name and password somewhere you will remember. Check all your portals and the email you entered on your college apps 1-2 times a week. You could miss key information and requirements by not checking regularly, which could result in you losing your eligibility for attending that college. Respond promptly to any requests.

What comes after submitting college apps?

Some students are now starting to hear back from schools, congratulations!

- You have until May 1st to make a decision (within student portal)
- Wait to get financial aid packets via student portals to see how much each school is offering you. You will need this information to make a financial decision on what schools are best for you and your family. You can review these packets with CCC staff.

To Do:

Check student portals atleast 1 time per week to check for any to do list items.
Submit your Financial Aid Application ASAP! Make an appointment for
application help with CCC Staff.

Create an account with Webgrants4students, here you will be able to view
how much money you are receiving from FAFSA/ Cal Dream Act. In this website
you will also log in in June to let them know you graduated and what school you
have decided to attend so they can send that school the money.
Apply to as many <u>scholarships</u> as possible. More scholarships are available
now and more will continue to come.
Attend CCC workshops/ presentations on how to read your financial aid
packets, and college tips and tricks (stay tuned for official dates)
Continue to get good grades as schools can revoke your acceptance if you get
a D or F this semester.

Applying to Community College?

If you plan to attend college of Marin or Santa Rosa Junior College after high school, it is not too late to apply. See CCC staff to schedule a meeting for help on the application. If you plan to attend COM or SRJC you must also apply for financial aid ASAP!

The Dream Corps TECH Scholarship

Looking to acquire new tech skills, advance your tech career options, and help address



the disparity of diversity in the technology workforce? <u>The Dream Corps TECH Scholarship</u> is for you!

The Dream Corps TECH Scholarship Fund — made possible with the support of the PwC Charitable

Foundation Inc., Favor Delivery, and AnswerLab — awards each recipient with a \$1,500 scholarship as a way to remove some of the financial barriers that stand in the way of obtaining a technical certification.

These scholarships can be put towards any qualifying technical certification, whether it's a course you're planning on taking, you are currently enrolled in, or a certification you have recently finished.

Apply Now!

Who's Eligible:

 18-45 year old members of the Black, Latinx, Native American, Native Alaskan, and Southeast Asian communities who are high school graduates or higher

College of Marin Programs

See the links below to learn about College of Marin and some of the programs that they are offering!

College of Marin Enrollment Services

College of Marin Clear Path Program

College of Marin Helix Program

Interested in the Military?

If you are interested in finding out more information about what options are out there in the military after graduation, this is a great link to take you to the <u>Today's Military</u> website. There you can find all kinds of information about the different branches of the military and get all your questions answered!

Information on 10,000 Degrees



Students interested in the 10,000 degree program please read more about them below. If you completed the summer intensive and have not received an email or follow up from them please read this document.

10,000 Degrees new fellow information here.



Scholarship for students planning to attend SRJC next school year. Doyle Scholarship Santa Rosa Junior College Due March 2nd:

• If you plan to go to SRJC, please apply to this scholarship here

Award Amount \$1,200

Starting with the High School Class of 2019, all students seeking a Doyle Scholarship will have a streamlined process and a longer application period. For the past two years, Doyle applicants have been required to submit the FAFSA or the California Dream Act Application and complete a separate Doyle scholarship application. With the implementation of AB19, all first-time, full-time students, regardless of income, may be eligible for a fee waiver or tuition reimbursement. Coupled with the prestigious Doyle Scholarship, all of our area's new high school graduates who choose to attend SRJC full-time in the fall following their high school graduation can DOUBLE THE DOLLARS they receive to attend school in their first year.

Who Qualifies:

- Local school graduates from the class of 2021
- Unweighted high school GPA of 2.0 or greater
- Must submit the FAFSA or Cal Dream Act application- regardless of financial need
- Enroll in a minimum of 6 units at SRIC for Fall 2021
- Complete an SRIC Orientation (counseling 270 preferred)

Have an SRJC education plan developed with an academic counselor. If you have any questions, contact the SRJC Scholarship office (707)527-4740





High School Summer Career Academies



TO GET STARTED

Apply for Career Academies April 1–May 1, 2022.

Mandatory Orientation Choose one: May 18, 5-6:30pm or May 21, 11-12:30pm.

Go to workforce.marin.edu for all updates and details.

June 13-16

Career Exploration

Delve into understanding your unique skills and how to use them to pursue your career interests. 1 college unit. M-Th, 9AM-2PM

Cybersecurity Academy - Introductory

Learn about cybersecurity principles, basic Windows and Linux security policies, account management, basic programming concepts and the fundamentals of network connectivity and security. Not for credit. M-Th, 9AM-3PM

June 13 - 17, June 21 -24 (9 days)

Health Occupations

An introduction to health occupations for students serious about entering the health care industry. Recommended for Junior and Senior High School students. 2 college units. 9AM-2PM

June 21-24

Health Careers Exploration

Learn about the various careers in health care, and chart your future in this high demand Bay Area industry. 1 college unit. T-F, 9AM-2PM

Education & Social Justice Careers

Explore an array of meaningful jobs that enhance the community and world: education, social change and equality for vulnerable and marginalized populations. 1 college unit T-F, 9AM-2PM

June 27-30

Building Academy: Engineering, Architecture & Construction

Get up-close and personal with careers in planning, architecture, landscape architecture, engineering and construction/project management. 1 college unit. M-Th, 9AM-2PM

Cybersecurity Academy - Intermediate

Delve deeper into cyber ethics, online safety, computer operation basics and cyber threats. Explore fundamental network connectivity and security. Not for credit. M-Th, 9AM-3PM

* NO CLASSES THE WEEK OF JULY 4 *

July 11-15

Entrepreneur Academy

Curious about starting and running your own business? Learn how to turn your business idea into reality. 1.5 college units. M-F, 9AM-2PM

July 25-28, August 1-4 (8 days)

Game Development QuickStart

Learn hands-on what it takes to enter the field of game development. 2 college units. M-Th, 10AM-3PM

Scholarships

<u>Here</u> is the link to our live google document of over 70 pages full of available scholarships for Seniors.

Job Opportunities this year

View the list of places currently hiring high school students, here.

Volunteer Opportunities

This year due to Covid-19 volunteer opportunities are limited. Here is a live google document



Spring 2022 - BrightFutures Career Speaker Webinar Series

We are pleased to announce that the Spring 2022

- BrightFutures Career Speaker Webinar Series is now open for registration!

The Career Speaker Series program is a career exploration seminar which brings north bay professionals to high school and college students, educators, and jobseekers via Zoom webinar to discuss their career paths, their current occupations, and the industries that they work in.

Career Speaker Series Schedule & Topics:

Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

March 9 - April 27

- March 9th Health
- March 16th Hospitality
- March 30th Trades
- April 13th Technology
- April 20th Green Jobs & Bioscience
- April 27th Law

Students, Educators, Jobseekers, and Community Members are all Welcome!

Participant Registration:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN UMf0fvkQT3qPdiu682mcUA

We will record and distribute the program video when able. Please register as a participant if you would like access to the video after each program.

Questions? Contact: Sita Williams at swilliams@workforcealliancenorthbay.org.

Students Wanted! The Tiny House Project:



We are so excited to start taking applications for the Sept 2022-May 2023 Building year!!!!

Here is what we are offering:

Learn construction skills, experience hands-on

real-world learning by building a tiny house* from scratch to completion!

We are currently looking for highly motivated, reliable high school graduates with a desire to learn about the building trades.

We offer free Tuition.

The 9 month project starts Sept. 6th 2022 and ends May 27th 2023.

We learn and build In Marin county.: Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 12:30pm.

Students with Big Skills Tiny Homes will experience building a home, and sharpen the skills required to complete a complex project. Students will be exposed to a wide range of construction skills, including carpentry, plumbing, electrical, cabinetry and more. Additionally, by working as a team, each student will further their leadership, decision-making, problem-solving, and communication skills.

As the tiny home is being built, participants will undergo career planning sessions. BSTH will provide recommendations for placements and check in with graduates to ensure that graduates continue to move towards their goals. BSTH is committed to supporting its graduates to ensure their long-term success.

For an application and interview contact Big Skills Tiny Homes at: student@bigskillstinyhomes.org or visit our website: bigskillstinyhomes.org/students-wanted

High School Outreach Program -Hosted By UC Davis' Davis Women in Business

It is such a pleasure to invite your students to Davis Women in Business's (DWIB) first ever high school outreach program. With the program being less than a month away we ask that you share the details of our outreach program with your students.

Let me introduce our organization. Davis Women in Business is an on-campus student organization at UC Davis, who is committed to fulfilling the professional and personal goals of its members. We are a tight-knit community full of motivated and like-minded individuals. The External Relations board is a new addition to the club. External Relations' purpose is to serve the community around us through the allocation of DWIB's resources. If you would like to learn more about our club, please check out our website!

Our goal for this program is to provide high school students with knowledge and skills on how to succeed in both the college and professional world. Beyond learning valuable skills, we want to inspire the younger generation to go out and become the leaders of tomorrow. Students will have the opportunity to hear from real world professionals as well as the personal experiences of current college students.

We will host 8 workshops over the course of 6 months via Zoom that are focused on business-centric topics - professionalism, career exploration, interview prep, resume 101, etc. This program is open to anyone who is interested. Our workshops will be hosted by current DWIB members and guest speakers will consist mainly of DWIB alumni. A flyer will be attached to this email with the specific workshops and their dates and time. We would greatly appreciate it if you could print out this flyer and display it around campus for students to see.

Student Elections Ambassador Program

The **Student Elections Ambassador Program** offers students an opportunity to inspire and empower future voters, engage with the local community, and exercise leadership skills. Students can join by completing this brief <u>Student Elections Ambassador</u> <u>Program</u> Application.

Please share the resources below with interested students:

- Marin County Student Elections Ambassador Program Information
- Program videos

Program Contact:

Megan Stone 415-473-6444 mstone@marincounty.org

Training will be offered virtually throughout the Fall.

This program is brought to you by The Marin County Elections Department, Marin League of Women Voters (LWV), and the Marin County Office of Education (MCOE).

Information on the UC Davis Young Scholars Program!

<u>Find information here</u>



Keep in touch with the latest news!



- The Counselor's Corner Newsletter, distributed via email to parents and students, usually Wednesdays. CCC Bi-Monthly Newsletter to Seniors included every 2 weeks
- The CCC Instagram page: <u>Sanrafaelhighccc</u>, updated regularly
 - The CCC page of the SRHS website: <u>CCC Webpage</u>
- Linktree: <u>SanRafaelHighCCC</u>

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