



# Class of 2024 Information

Graduation, College, and Senior Event Information





# Are You Ready for Graduation?

- Meet your Counselors
- Overview of graduation requirements
- Overview of the college application process
- Post-secondary resources and important deadlines

**\*\*Presentation will be posted on DHHS website\*\***



# Counselors



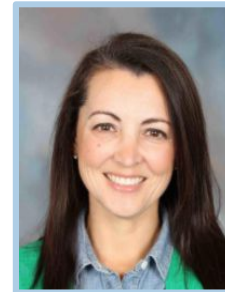
**Mrs. Zides**  
**A - Duf, AVID**



**Mrs. Casazza**  
**Dun - Ji, HMO**



**Ms. Jakovich**  
**Jo - Pin**



**Mrs. Dean**  
**Pit - Z**



# Earning Your Diploma

## To Earn Your Diploma You Must:

- **Complete a minimum of 210 credits**
  - To be on track, you should currently have at least **160** credits
- **MUST Pass** 12<sup>th</sup> grade English course (ex: AP Lit, Adv. Comp, ERWC)
- **MUST Pass** 12<sup>th</sup> grade Social Science course (ex: AP Gov/Econ, Gov/Econ)
- **MUST Pass** any graduation requirements that *have not yet* been fulfilled
  - (ex: 58.5 credits of electives, 3 years of math, 4 years of English, 2 years of science, 1 year of language/fine art/CTE, 3 years of History)

*If a student does not complete the above requirements, they will not receive their diploma in May and will not be able to participate in the graduation commencement ceremony.*

Counselor will refer students to summer school as a late grad.



# Are You on Track?

## 1. Check your total completed courses. You should be at or above 160 credits.

- a. If you are below this number, you may be enrolled in 6 courses, enrolled in Academic Intervention, or enrolled in Credit Recovery.

## 2. Check your grades for each course. For graduation, a D- is passing.

- b. If you want to apply to a 4 year university, all grades must be C or higher.

## 3. For graduation you must complete either 1 year of a fine art OR 1 year of a world language OR 1 year of CTE course.

- c. If you want to apply to a 4 year university, you must have at least 2 years of the same foreign language AND one year of a fine art.

## 4. Specific questions?

- d. Your counselor is available before school, at break, lunch, and after school most days. You can also email through canvas to set up a time to meet individually.

Crs-ID	Course Title	Mark	Att/Cmp	Crs-ID	Course Title	Mark	Att/Cmp	Crs-ID	Course Title	Mark	Att/Cmp
Grade 9 Fall 2017-2018				Grade 9 Spring 2017-2018				Grade 10 Fall 2018-2019			
Dana Hills High School				Dana Hills High School				Dana Hills High School			
p 1693	Spanish I (P)	C-	5.00 5.00	p 1694	Spanish I (P)	D-	5.00 5.00	p 1703	Spanish II (P)	C	5.00 5.00
p 2513	English I (P)	B+	5.00 5.00	p 2514	English I (P)	C	5.00 5.00	p 2023	Wh/Geo/Cult(P)	B	5.00 5.00
p 2873	Algebra I (P)	B-	5.00 5.00	p 2874	Algebra I (P)	D-	5.00 5.00	p 2533	English II (P)	B-	5.00 5.00
* 3341	Ath Waterpolo-B	A	5.00 5.00	p 2911	Health	B	5.00 5.00	p 2893	Geometry (P)	C	5.00 5.00
p 3693	Biology (P)	C-	5.00 5.00	* 3301	Ath Swimming/B	A-	5.00 5.00	* 3341	Ath Waterpolo-B	A+	5.00 5.00
9042	College&Career	B-	5.00 5.00	p 3694	Biology (P)	B-	5.00 5.00	p 3783	Chemistry (P)	C	5.00 5.00
Credit Att: 30.00 Cmp: 30.00 AGPA: 2.60				Credit Att: 30.00 Cmp: 30.00 AGPA: 2.40				Credit Att: 30.00 Cmp: 30.00 AGPA: 2.25			
Grade 10 Spring 2018-2019				Grade 11 Spring 2019-2020				Grade 12 Fall 2020-2021			
Dana Hills High School				Dana Hills High School				Dana Hills High School			
p 1694	Spanish I (P)	D-	5.00 5.00	p 2114	US History (P)	A	5.00 5.00	p 1553	Exp Read/Write	B	5.00 5.00
p 2514	English I (P)	C	5.00 5.00	p 2824	English III (P)	B-	5.00 5.00	p 2121	Amer Govt (P)	C+	5.00 5.00
p 2874	Algebra I (P)	D-	5.00 5.00	a p 3094	AP Environ Sci	B-	5.00 5.00	p 6233	Precalculus (P)	D+	5.00 5.00
p 2911	Health	B	5.00 5.00	* 3301	Ath Swimming/B	A	5.00 5.00	+ p H3713F	Hon Marine Ecol	C-	5.00 5.00
* 3301	Ath Swimming/B	A-	5.00 5.00	p 4454	Algebra II (P)	NC	5.00 0.00	Credit Att: 20.00 Cmp: 20.00 AGPA: 2.25			
p 3694	Biology (P)	B-	5.00 5.00	p SO552S	SOCSA Ceramics A	5.00	5.00	Grade 12 Spring 2020-2021			
Credit Att: 30.00 Cmp: 30.00 AGPA: 2.00				Credit Att: 30.00 Cmp: 30.00 AGPA: 3.75				Dana Hills High School			
Grade 10 Fall 2018-2019				Grade 11 Spring 2019-2020				Grade 12 Spring 2020-2021			
Dana Hills High School				Dana Hills High School				Dana Hills High School			
p 1703	Spanish II (P)	C	5.00 5.00	p 1554	Exp Read/Write	A	5.00 5.00	p 2024	Wh/Geo/Cult(P)	B	5.00 5.00
p 2023	Wh/Geo/Cult(P)	B	5.00 5.00	p 2131	Economics(P)	A	5.00 5.00	p 2534	English II (P)	C-	5.00 5.00
p 2533	English II (P)	B-	5.00 5.00	* 3301	Ath Swimming/B	A	5.00 5.00	p 2894	Geometry (P)	D-	5.00 5.00
p 2893	Geometry (P)	C	5.00 5.00	p 6234	Precalculus (P)	B-	5.00 5.00	* 3301	Ath Swimming/B	A-	5.00 5.00
* 3341	Ath Waterpolo-B	A+	5.00 5.00	+ p H3713S	Hon Marine Ecol	B	5.00 5.00	Course Tags: * = Non Academic    + = Honors (weighted)    a = Advanced Placement (weighted)    p = College Prep    r = Repeated			
p 3783	Chemistry (P)	C	5.00 5.00	Credit Att: 20.00 Cmp: 20.00 AGPA: 2.25				Date			
Credit Att: 30.00 Cmp: 30.00 AGPA: 2.40				Grade 10 Spring 2018-2019				Event			
Grade 10 Spring 2018-2019				Dana Hills High School				Hours			
Dana Hills High School				Dana Hills High School				CREDIT SUMMARY			
p 1704	Spanish II (P)	F	5.00 0.00	p 1554	Exp Read/Write	A	5.00 5.00	Subject Area			
p 2024	Wh/Geo/Cult(P)	B	5.00 5.00	p 2131	Economics(P)	A	5.00 5.00	Credit Req'd			
p 2534	English II (P)	C-	5.00 5.00	* 3301	Ath Swimming/B	A	5.00 5.00	American Govern	5.00	5.00	-
p 2894	Geometry (P)	D-	5.00 5.00	p 6234	Precalculus (P)	B-	5.00 5.00	Biological Science	10.00	10.00	-
* 3301	Ath Swimming/B	A-	5.00 5.00	+ p H3713S	Hon Marine Ecol	B	5.00 5.00	Physical Science	10.00	10.00	-
Credit Attempted: 225.00				Credit Completed: 215.00				English			
Class Size: 595				Decile Rank: 8				Economics			
Ranked by Weighted Total GPA				District Enter: 9/2/2008				World History/Geo			
School Enter: 8/22/2017				School Leave: 6/3/2021				US History			
School Leave: 6/3/2021				District Enter: 9/2/2008				VAPA/WL/CTE			
School Enter: 8/22/2017				School Leave: 6/3/2021				Mathematics			
School Leave: 6/3/2021				School Enter: 8/22/2017				Algebra			
School Leave: 6/3/2021				School Enter: 8/22/2017				Physical Education			
School Leave: 6/3/2021				School Enter: 8/22/2017				Health			
School Leave: 6/3/2021				School Enter: 8/22/2017				Electives			
School Leave: 6/3/2021				School Enter: 8/22/2017				* TOTALS *			
School Leave: 6/3/2021				School Enter: 8/22/2017				Algebra 1 Requirement Met			



# Options for Pathways After Graduation

- 2-Year Community College (i.e. Saddleback, IVC, Orange Coast, Santa Ana)
- 4-Year Public or Private College or University (In-State or Out-of-State)
- Apprenticeship or Trade School
- Enter the Workforce
- Enlist in the Military
- Gap Year

*Let's review the options above!*



# Community Colleges

## **Benefits of attending a Community College**

- Only requirement to enroll in a Community College is a high school diploma
- Transfer programs to Four Year Universities
- Certificate Programs (2 or 3 semesters to complete)
- Tuition is free if school is part of the California Promise Program
- Close to Home (i.e. save money on travel and other costs)

## **Apply to Community College**

- Saddleback College (<http://www.saddleback.edu>)
- Irvine Valley College (<http://www.ivc.edu>)
- Orange Coast College (<http://www.orangecoastcollege.edu>)

# FRESHMAN ADVANTAGE 2024



- High School Seniors who complete Matriculation Process by **April 2024 (date TBD)** will receive priority registration for the 2024-25 school year including summer.

Please visit the Freshman Advantage Page on the Saddleback website for up to date information. Click [here](#).





# COUNSELING 100 CLASS



Available on campus at DHHS:

***Tuesday (5th period) or Wednesday (6th period) in spring semester***

- ✓ Transferable to CSU
- ✓ 1.5 unit college success class for seniors only
- ✓ Taught by a Saddleback College Counselor
- ✓ Free dual enrollment class/buy textbook
- ✓ Will walk you through the application, matriculation, and registration process.
- ✓ Great bridge class between high school and college so you know exactly what to enroll in and the resources available to you.

# PROMISE PROGRAM



## Eligibility Requirements

- Be first-time college students; this program is for students who have never attended college (Dual/Concurrent enrollment students, Special Admit students, and other high school students who took college classes while still in high school are still eligible for the Promise Program)
- Be California residents or be eligible by AB 540/Dream Act status
- Register for Saddleback College courses and identify Saddleback as “College of Record”
- Complete the 2023-24 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application by **May 1, 2024**
- Enroll in 12 units or more each semester of enrollment to include enrollments in:
  - Math and/or English during the first semester and both completed by the end of your first year



**Questions about the Promise Program:**

Student Services Office 949-582-4566

# Saddleback 1:1 Counseling

Saddleback Counselor available for:

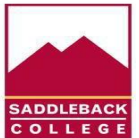
- **SENIORS**: Freshman Advantage, Counseling 100 & Promise Program
  - **ALL GRADES**: dual enrollment in Saddleback courses
    - Career Technical Education and Associate Degrees
    - Bachelor Degrees and University Transfer
  - CSU/UC/Private and Out of State Transfer Information
    - Career Counseling

To set up an appointment with our DHHS Saddleback Counselor,

please click [here](#).

(Counselor available by appointment only, beginning Wednesday September 21st)

*Parents can attend via Zoom*





# Applying to a 4-Yr College/University

## **We will cover:**

- Application process
- Transcripts
- Letters of Recommendation
- Testing
- Support for students and families
- Financial Aid



# Applying to a CSU or UC Campus

## CSU - California State University

[Application 2023](#)

Submit App: October 1 - November 30

- Application Fee: \$70.00 per campus  
(Fee waiver available based on eligibility)
- CSU does not require letters of recommendation
- No college essay

## UC - University of California

[Application 2023](#)

Submit App: October 1 - November 30

- Application Fee: \$80.00 per campus  
(Fee waiver available based on eligibility)
- UC does not require letters of recommendation
- UC requires completion of four Personal Insight Questions (PIQs)

## Information for both California public university systems

DHHS High School  
CEEB code is 050729

Self Report Grades  
Unofficial Transcript





# Applying to a Private/Out of State

<https://danahills.capousd.org/Guidance/College--Career/Private-and-Out-of-State-Colleges/index.html>

## Application Process

- Complete application for specific private/out-of-state public university online
- Watch for deadlines, which includes campus specific scholarship deadlines
  - Check your personal email and/or college portal daily



**Use the specific school website to apply if the university does not participate in one of the above online forums**



# College Applications

## CSUs

Apply online starting Oct.1-Nov. 30

One application

\$70 per school

Send transcript only if requested  
and to final school selected

No essays (Unless applying for  
honors)

No letters of recommendation  
needed

## UCs

Apply online starting Oct.1-Nov. 30

One application

\$80 per school

Send transcript only if requested  
and to final school selected

4 personal insight questions  
(PIQs)

No letters of recommendation  
needed

## Private/Out of State

Deadlines vary—earlier deadline  
if applying for scholarships

Common App/Separate Apps

Cost varies

Transcripts must be included in  
application

One essay and supplemental essays  
(depends on college)

Letters of recommendation  
(typically 1-2 teachers, one  
Counselor)



# College Rep Visits

## Why should I attend a college rep visit?

- Many of the reps that speak are the actual individuals who review your application. This is a great way to make a personal introduction.
- Colleges like to see dedicated interest. Attending a visit shows a student is genuinely interested.
- Great way to learn about special programs and scholarship opportunities.
- Visits may help a student determine if he or she wants to actually visit a campus in person.
- There are so many great colleges in addition to the top 25 everyone wants to go to. This is a great way to learn about schools that students may not have previously considered.

*\*Visits available online through Zoom or in person. Check the link below for specific days/times/locations.\**



<https://danahills.capousd.org/Guidance/College--Career/College--Visitor-Schedule/index.html>





# Official and Unofficial Transcripts



## Unofficial Transcripts

- Student will need a copy of their unofficial transcript to complete your application to CSU and UC and private universities
- Available in your Aeries Student Portal

## Official Transcripts

- Private/Independent Universities will require an official transcript as part of the application process.
- Must be ordered online through [PARCHMENT](#).

## Matriculation

- Once you commit to a university (CSU, UC or private) you will be asked to send your final official transcript which includes your graduation date.  
**When ordering before graduation, request to hold for FINAL GRADES.**



# Letter of Recommendation - Counselor

- In order to get a Letter of Recommendation (LOR) from your counselor, you must:
  - Invite us to your application as a COUNSELOR recommender. This can be found on the individual school tab under FERPA/ Recommender. Counselor emails can be found on the Guidance Staff page on the website.
  - Complete the Student LOR form that is found here:  
<https://danahills.capousd.org/Guidance/Letters-of-Recommendation/index.html>
    - This is meant to be used as a bragging board so please include any and all details of everything you have participated in and achieved so we can highlight them in your letter.
  - Ask one parent to fill out the parent/guardian LOR form found on the same page.
  - Your counselor will then have access to directly upload their letter as well as other necessary documents directly to your application.
  - Keep an eye on due dates and provide your counselor with at least **3 weeks notice**.



# Letter of Recommendation - Teacher

- Select teachers that you feel know you best and can speak to who you are as a student.
- Each teacher may vary on what they need from you in order to write a quality letter. Meet with your teachers individually to determine exactly what they need.
- Do not wait until the last minute, and contact the teacher as early as possible. Provide at least 3 weeks notice to your first deadline.
- Be sure to THANK them. Teachers write these letters on their own time.



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# GUIDANCE HOME

## Schedule Changes Fall 2022



As we begin the new school year, please understand that requests for **allowable schedule changes** cannot be honored via email or phone. **Allowable schedule changes** are limited to leveling down and/or dropping an extra class. We are unable to honor requests for elective changes, teachers, class periods, or free periods.

Requests for a level down or drop as specified above, can be made beginning the first day of school via the online Guidance Portal.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as the Guidance staff works to balance class sizes to ensure productive learning environments for all students. Below is the link to the Guidance portal: **we will accept requests beginning August 16 and ending at midnight on September 30.**

- [Transcript Request](#)
- [Letter of Recommendation Packet](#)
- [2022 College Visits](#)
- [School Profile- Coming Soon!](#)

## QUICKLINKS

- [Guidance Staff](#)
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Should you register for the



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- For Fall 2024 applicants, many universities/colleges are no longer requiring students to take the SAT or ACT exam.
- Please verify with each individual college/university where you are applying to determine if a test is required for admissions or scholarship opportunities.
  - Some merit scholarships may require you to take an ACT/SAT test, as your scores may be used for awards.



# Register for the



or



## SAT Registration Dates for 2023-2024

Register at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

## SAT Test Dates & Deadlines

SAT Test Dates	Deadline
October 7, 2023	September 26, 2023
November 4, 2023	October 24, 2023
December 2, 2023	November 21, 2023
March 9, 2024	February 27, 2024
May 4, 2024	April 23, 2024
June 1, 2024	May 21, 2024

## ACT Registration Dates for 2023-2024

Register at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

## ACT Test Dates & Deadlines

ACT Test Dates	Deadline
October 28, 2023	September 22, 2023
December 9, 2023	November 3, 2023
February 10, 2024	January 5, 2024
April 13, 2024	March 8, 2024

**Verify the last test sitting date accepted by the colleges you are applying to.**



Futureology Counselor  
Mrs. Rengifo is available for  
appointments in Room 501  
Monday through Friday!



**NEED HELP NAVIGATING  
YOUR COLLEGE & CAREER  
OPTIONS?**

Futureology - a FREE College & Career Counseling Program. Designed to help you  
and your family make informed choices through personalized guidance.

**Futureology's Mission:**

Futureology aspires to empower our lifelong learners to be agents of their own futures. Futureology works collaboratively with CUSD families and stakeholders in facilitating learning opportunities which include: exposure, exploration, planning, and implementation





MEET YOUR  
COLLEGE AND CAREER  
COUNSELOR:

MRS. NICOLE RENGIFO



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[www.cusd-futureology.org/](http://www.cusd-futureology.org/)



COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER

LOCATED IN ROOM 501

Get support with:

Best College Fit Search

Financial Aid Scholarships

ACT/SAT Planning

College Applications and Essays

Major Exploration

Interviewing and Resumes

Career Exploration

Drop in during lunch or after school  
with questions!

**HOURS:**

M, T, W, F: 8-3:30pm

Thursday: 9:30-5:00pm

Appointments Available Online and In-Person  
at DHHS



Scan here to  
schedule an  
appointment!



**Schedule a 1:1  
Appointment!**





## DHHS COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER TUTORIAL WORKSHOPS

### GET SUPPORT WITH COLLEGE PLANNING!

COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER IN ROOM 501  
DURING FLEX TIME (SCHEDULE IN ENRICHING STUDENTS)

#### ▶ COLLEGE/CAREER WORKSHOPS (9TH-12TH GRADE)

- **College Essays 101 (Seniors)** - September 13th
- **CTE Pathways (All Grades)** - September 14th
- **College List Building (Juniors/Seniors)** - September 20th
- **How to Select a Major (All Grades)** - September 26th
- **Building Your College Resume (Juniors/Seniors)** - October 18th
- **Resume/Interview Skills (All Grades)** - October 26th
- **Career Exploration (All Grade Levels)** - November 9th
- **Community College 101 (All Grade Levels)** - November 15th
- **Financial Aid (Seniors)** - December 6th
- **College @ Capo (All Grades)** - December 7th

#### SPACE IS LIMITED

SCHEDULE YOURSELF USING ENRICHING STUDENTS FIND  
SESSIONS IN ENRICHING STUDENTS UNDER "GUIDANCE"

#### Questions?

[nlrengifo@capousd.org](mailto:nlrengifo@capousd.org)  
[mndavisson@capousd.org](mailto:mndavisson@capousd.org)



SAVE THE DATE!



# CUSD COLLEGE FAIR 2023

CAPISTRANO VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL  
OCTOBER 2, 2023  
5:30PM - 7:30PM

100+ Colleges and  
Universities!



Questions?  
[collegefair@capousd.org](mailto:collegefair@capousd.org)



[www.cusd-futureology.org/college-fair](http://www.cusd-futureology.org/college-fair)



CUSD COLLEGE AND CAREER COUNSELING



## COLLEGE ESSAYS 101

Join the Futureology team and learn about the Dos and Don'ts of writing an application essay in this online webinar.

### WHAT WE WILL COVER

**Date:** Wed, September 20, 2023  
**Time:** 5:30PM - 7:00PM  
**Place:** Zoom (link available upon registration)

Recommended for 12th grade students  
Registration is required

### REGISTER HERE



SCAN ME

[www.cusd-futureology.org](http://www.cusd-futureology.org)



#### UC PIQ'S

Learn about the 8 UC Personal Interest Questions and strategies on how to best answer these questions.



#### COMMON APP

Learn how to choose a writing prompt and how to best express your narrative in the Common App essay

Free



## Webinar Wednesdays

Fall 2023

### SENIOR SUCCESS ORIENTATION

AUGUST 30 @ 5:30-6:30PM

### COLLEGE ESSAYS 101

SEPTEMBER 20 @ 5:30-6:30PM

### JUNIOR SUCCESS ORIENTATION

OCTOBER 25 @ 5:30-6:30PM

### COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PARENT ORIENTATION

NOVEMBER 29 @ 5:30-7:00PM

### FINANCIAL AID FUNDAMENTALS

DECEMBER 13 @ 5:30-6:30PM

On Demand Webinars & Videos  
available on our YouTube Channel  
[ecusd-futureology!](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCusd-futureology)

Register Now:

[www.cusd-futureology.org/appointments-events](https://www.cusd-futureology.org/appointments-events)

# Upcoming College and Career Webinars





# Career Guidance Specialist



**Mrs. Marissa Davisson**

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[cca.capousd.org](http://cca.capousd.org)

## Get support with:

- Career Technical Education (CTE) information
- CTE courses & pathways
- CTE presentations
- CTE classroom tours
- Interviewing & Resumes
- Career Exploration
- CTE Adult Program

**Monday - Friday:**

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

**Drop in at lunch or after school**

Make an appointment

through Calendly or at the  
College and Career Center (room 501)

**Make an appointment here**





# CTE Adult Program



Interested in touring the classrooms/facilities?



Sign up Here

## College and Career Advantage



### Adult Programs

Emergency Medical Technician



Medical Assistant



Pharmacy Technician



Surgical Technologist



Cybersecurity



Hotel Hospitality



Dental Assisting



For more information contact  
Mrs. Marissa Davisson  
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cca.capousd.org



# Spring 2024 College @ Capo



**College @ Capo**

Take Flight Towards  
Your College Degree

Saddleback College Courses | CUSD Campuses

Crs #	Course Name	IGETC	High School
ANTH 1	Biological Anthropology	YES	ANHS
ENG 52	Film as Literature	YES	CVHS
ANTH 1	Biological Anthropology	YES	DHHS
PHIL 1	Introduction to Philosophy	YES	SCHS
HUM 1	Introduction to Humanities	YES	SJHHS
ANTH 2	Cultural Anthropology	YES	THS

**For more information, please contact:**  
Mrs. Marissa Davisson  
College and Career Center (room 501)  
[mndavisson@capousd.org](mailto:mndavisson@capousd.org)





# Financial Aid

AB469 requires all high school seniors to submit the FAFSA or CA Dream Act, unless an opt out form is completed.

## FAFSA

- Free Application For Federal Student Aid
- Apply online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)  
Apply for FSA ID numbers now!  
(parent and students electronic signatures)
- Counselors will be holding information sessions during tutorial - more info coming soon!

## Cal Grants (California Schools)

- Information at [www.calgrants.org](http://www.calgrants.org)
- All student GPA's will be sent to the California Aid Commission to determine Grant GPA eligibility
- California State deadline: March 2

## College Campus Based Aid

- Must file FAFSA and CSS Profile (for some universities) to be considered.
- Check the financial aid page on the website of the college/university you are applying to.
- Adhere to deadlines as they will be different and sometimes earlier than the admissions deadline!

## California Dream Act

<https://dream.csac.ca.gov/landing>

- Can begin applying on October 1st
- Must meet AB 540 requirements





# Financial Aid Support

Saddleback Community College offers FREE [workshops](#) to help walk students through the FAFSA process.

Student **does NOT need** to be planning to attend Saddleback in order to attend. If parent chooses to attend, he/she **must be accompanied by the student as well.**

**CONTACT SADDLEBACK COLLEGE FOR MORE  
INFORMATION**

[scfinaid@saddleback.edu](mailto:scfinaid@saddleback.edu)





# Successful Financial Aid Tips

- Apply Early!
- Ask Questions
- Financial Aid is available for all postsecondary plans
- FAFSA is required if seeking athletic or academic scholarships
- Visit the Financial Assistance and Scholarship Office of the University or College
- Get help filing your FAFSA/Dream Act Application
- Attend a FAFSA Workshop
- Financial Literacy (<https://www.cashcourse.org/>)

**Financial aid professionals are here to help you succeed!**



# Scholarships

**Scholarship Information can be found on the DHHS website at:**

<https://danahills.capousd.org/Guidance/College--Career/Scholarships/index.html>

- Fill out the DHHS Local Scholarship Application. It is a single application for just DHHS students. One application can put you in the running for multiple scholarships.
- Students are responsible for researching and applying to scholarships on their own - **Start Early!** There is a list of local and private scholarships provided on our guidance website.
- Follow deadlines and instructions for completing scholarship applications.
- Apply to as many as possible

*Questions regarding scholarships? Please see Mrs. Stevenson in the Guidance Office.*



# Are Senior Classes Important?

YES!!!

- UC and CSU will look at final 2nd semester grades - your acceptance could be rescinded if your grades go down.
- Private Schools ask counselors for reports as the year goes on. Any changes could change their admission decisions.
- End of the year awards (based on Spring 12-week reporting period)
  - Scholar of Scholars
  - Valedictorian (GPA 4.0 +)
  - Academic Distinction (GPA 3.5 - 3.99)

Save the Date!



## Beyond the Pod

October 3 - 6

During Flex Time



- UC, CSU, and Common App Workshop
- Community College Workshops
- Military Information
- CTE/Career Pathway Workshops



More Details Coming Soon!





# We are here to help!

- The Guidance Office has many resources to help you complete your applications and reach your postsecondary goals.
- Do not hesitate to contact your Counselor with any questions. We can be reached the following ways:
  - Use the online Counseling Referral
  - Email us in Canvas to make an appointment
  - Drop-in during break, lunch, passing periods, or before/after school

**Go Class of 2024!**