

College Reminders

California State Universities (CSU) & University of California (UC)

- Official transcripts: do not send until university asks for it, usually only request final transcript after completion of 12th grade courses.
- Letter of recommendation: NOT required

University of California (UC)

- UC Application Workshop: Wednesday, October 21st from 2:30-3:30 in the PHS library.
- UC application available online beginning Oct. 1st and can be found at www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/undergrad_adm/apply/apply_online.html.
- UC application filing period Nov. 1st – 30th. We strongly recommend students submit their applications online prior to Thanksgiving break.
- ACT with Writing/SAT Reasoning & two SAT Subject admission tests must be taken no later than December 2009. It is highly recommended to complete testing by November 2009 due to UC application review process beginning in December.
- Send official admission test scores as soon as possible. Scores listed on the high school transcript are not considered official scores by UC.
 - SAT scores, www.collegeboard.com: By requesting scores be sent to a single UC campus, as well as checking the “release” option through College Board, the UC application processing center will receive the scores and release them to all UC campuses the student has applied to.
 - ACT scores, www.act.org.
- UC requires students report ALL A-G courses attempted and ALL A-G grades earned. If a course was repeated, UC will eliminate the lower grade.

California State University (CSU)

- CSU application filing period Oct 1st – Nov 30th. The application can be found at www.csumentor.edu.
- Deadlines to take ACT/SAT Reasoning & Subject admission tests vary by campus. We recommend students check each campus they are applying to (SDSU & Fresno State will consider SAT and/or ACT test scores through November 2009). CSU will take the best reading and best math scores from multiple sittings, so submit all scores. SAT & ACT Writing scores are not required for admission.
- Send official admission test scores as soon as possible.
 - SAT scores, www.collegeboard.com: To submit scores to all CSU campuses without paying separate fees for each campus use the CSU Mentor code 3594 when sending scores from College Board.
 - ACT scores, www.act.org : Use ACT Scores Manager on the CSU Mentor website to submit ACT scores to all schools and pay one fee.
- If a course is repeated CSU allows the student to report only the best grade achieved for each semester for the course. If repeated class is in progress, student must list original course and grade received.
- SDSU First-time freshmen from outside service area will be required to live on campus their first year beginning in fall 2010.

Private Colleges/Universities

- Application deadlines vary, check each college website
- SAT, ACT and AP test scores: most schools require official scores to be sent by application deadline
- Official transcript: most schools require this by application deadline
 - www.docufide.com - the website to request PHS registrar mail your official transcript to each school asking for it.
- Letters of recommendation: most schools require this from counselor and teacher/staff members.
 - Student must ASK if counselor/staff member is willing to write a letter
 - Give counselor/staff **minimum of 3 week turnaround**, after student has provided all necessary information to write letter.
 - Applications due by January 1, 2009: staff/counselors must receive all necessary information **NO LATER than December 1, 2008.**