



Poway High School



TIPS TO HELP YOU WITH THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS



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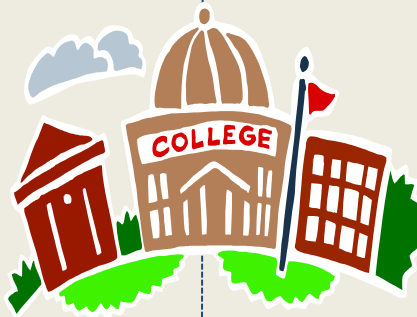


What should I be doing now?

Finalize 3-Tiered List of Colleges

- Reach (1-2)
- Range (2-4)
- Safety (2-3)

- Admission rates
- Average GPA/test scores
- Comprehensive review factors
- Freshman profiles from previous years
- Online statistics



Applying to CSU System



- **Application Submission Window: 10/1 – 11/30**
- **Admission Factors: GPA & SAT or ACT**
- **NO LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION or TRANSCRIPT REQUIRED (They may request these at a later date.)**



Applying to UC System



- Application Portal Opens: 08/1 – 11/30
- Submission Dates: 11/01 – 11/30
- Required: Personal Insight Questions
- SAT **or** ACT with writing
- SAT II (*Optional*)



**MOST DO NOT REQUIRE LETTER OF
RECOMMENDATION or TRANSCRIPT**

UC Math Rule



- All applicants must complete a Geometry course. The omission of Geometry cannot be validated by a higher level math course.
- **Recommended:** If you took Geometry in Middle School - Be sure to report this course as part of your middle school work.



Common Application



- Over 500 private colleges are Common Application members
- Complete 1 application for all schools
- Application includes:
 - First year application
 - Secondary School Report (**Completed by Counselors**)
 - Two Academic Teacher Evaluations
 - Mid-Year Report (**Completed by Counselors after 1st semester grades**)
 - Transcript
 - Final Report

THE COMMON
APPLICATION

www.commonapp.org

Other Private Colleges



- Review college website(s) to identify application requirements and deadlines
- Many require a letter of recommendation



Letter of Rec Process



The screenshot shows the Poway Unified Schools website. The browser address bar displays the URL: <https://www.powayusd.com/Schools/HS/PHS/Home>. The website header includes the PowayUSD logo and the text "Poway High". A navigation menu is visible with the following items: Home, Campus Info, Academics, Calendars, Athletics, Student Life, Parents, and Contacts. The "Academics" menu is expanded, showing a list of options: Academic Information, CRF and Course Planning, Academic Planning by Grade Level, Advanced Placement, A-G Requirements, 5.5 Period Classes, Biliteracy State Seal, Blank Four Year Plan [pdf], Course Catalog 2017-2018 [pdf], College/Career, Counseling, Grading Calendar, Letters of Recommendation, New Student Enrollment, Resources for Success, Student Handbook [pdf], Testing, Transcripts, and Transfers. The "Letters of Recommendation" option is highlighted in green. A secondary menu is open under "Letters of Recommendation", listing: Letter of Recommendation and Common App Procedures [pdf], Letter of Recommendation and Secondary School Report [ppt-pdf], Teacher Letters of Recommendation, and Request for Teacher Letter of Recommendation [pdf]. Three numbered arrows indicate the navigation path: a pink arrow labeled "1" points to the "Academics" menu, a green arrow labeled "2" points to the "Letters of Recommendation" option, and a blue arrow labeled "3" points to the "Letter of Recommendation and Common App Procedures [pdf]" option. The bottom of the page features a footer with icons and labels for BULLETIN, CALENDAR, SCHEDULE, and LIBRARY. The text "Office Hours: 7:00 am - 3:" is visible in the bottom left corner.

Letter of Rec Process



- **All of the following documents MUST be completed and turned into your counselor for a letter to be written.**

- **Step 1: FERPA Waiver**
- **Step 2: College Information Form**
- **Step 3: Personal Information Form**
- **Step 4: Parent Brag Sheet**
- **Step 5: Teacher Input Forms**
- **Step 6: Resume**
- **Step 7: Extracurricular Log**
- **Step 8: Order Transcripts**

AFTER submitting all necessary paperwork, allow counselors & teachers **THREE weeks to write letter**

Transcripts



- For any Common Application and/or SENDedu schools you are applying to, ask your counselor to submit your transcript electronically.
- For all other colleges (non Common Application schools), order and send your transcript electronically via www.parchment.com or via the school registrar.
- Note: UCs and CSUs DO NOT require a transcript as part of the initial application, but MAY request them after the student has submitted the application.

Test Scores



It is your responsibility to send your scores electronically

- **SAT/SAT II/AP**

- www.collegeboard.org

- **ACT**

- www.actstudent.org



\$ Financial Aid & Scholarships \$



- **FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid**
 - Work Study, Student/Parent Loans, Pell Grants
 - Easily Accessible: Whole process completed online
- **Research scholarship opportunities throughout senior year**
- **PHS Counseling Office: Scholarship Deadline Log**
- **Attend Financial Aid Night:**
 - September 26th @ 6:00 p.m. (PCPA)

NCAA (College Athletics)



- **Registration Checklist:** Below is a list of items you may want to have prepared prior to beginning your registration with the NCAA Eligibility Center.
 - Valid Email Address
 - Personal Information
 - Education History/Test Scores
 - Sports Participation History
 - Payment (registration fee is \$70)



www.eligibilitycenter.org

Workshops



- **Common Application Workshop**
 - Friday, September 22nd, Titan Center, Lunch Time
- **California State University Application Workshop**
 - Thursday, October 19th, Titan Center, Lunch Time
- **University Of California Application Workshop**
 - Thursday, October 12th, Titan Center, Lunch Time
- **Palomar Community College Information Session**
 - Thursday, October 26th, Titan Center, Lunch Time

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