

Del Norte High School Class of 2021



Inspiring passion and preparing all students to be college ready, future focused and globally aware!

Options After High School

- Work
- Military
- Apprenticeship Programs
- Career Technical Schools
- Two year Community College – Associates Degree and/or Transfer
- Four year – Bachelors Degree: public/private, in state/out of state

Military

- Decide on which branch matches your interest and goals: Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, or Navy.
- US Military Academies-Start the process early!
- ROTC, Enlistment, or Reserves.
- Recruiters – periodic visits in Nighthawk Center.
- ASVAB exam- Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery.
- Fully understand the terms of your commitment before you sign anything!

Choosing the Right College

- **Factors to consider:**
 - Does it offer programs/majors that fit your interest and career goals?
 - School size, student diversity, location & weather, non-academic opportunities, social life.
 - Public or Private? Avg. admissions GPA & SAT/ACT?
 - Housing guarantee? Study abroad program?
 - Cost: Scholarship and financial aid opportunities.
 - Apply broadly and be realistic about admissions requirements!
 - 2-3 SAFE schools, 3-4 LIKELY schools, 2-3 REACH schools. (Utilize the college search features in Naviance).

Community College

- 115 Statewide-Search by major and campuses.
- 8 in San Diego County.
- Learn about options/majors – Associates, Transfer, Certificate, Career Technical, Training.
- Attend Community College Night.
- Palomar College – Palomar Promise \$\$\$.
- Attend Palomar College Workshops.
- Complete steps to enrollment.
- Does not require a-g completion or SAT/ACT.

COVID-19 Changes To Testing: Junior & Senior Year-Class of 2021

- CSU and UC has temporarily suspended SAT and ACT requirements for Fall 2021 and will not utilize the scores to determine admission (Students may still submit scores if available. Scores may be utilized to determine course placement in math and English once admitted).
- “Credit” grades will satisfy completion of a-g requirements if courses were taken in Spring & Summer 2020.
- AP courses will not be weighted higher if given a “credit” grade
- Many colleges and universities have adopted test optional policies for the Fall 2021 Admission cycle. Please check individual college websites for details and changes to admission policies.

UC COVID-19 FAQ's: <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/response-covid-19.html>

CSU COVID-19 FAQ's: <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/Pages/first-time-freshman-faq.aspx#>

Fall of Senior Year Events from Counseling September – November

- College Night for Seniors & Parents
 - Early September in PAC
- College Application Workshops ~ Tuesdays 8-9 a.m. in PAC to go over details of applications.
 - Common Application, CSU Application, and UC Application
- Online Application Workshops ~ Tuesdays 8-9 a.m.
 - Work on applications in computer lab with counselors.
- **Note:** Working with an outside College Counselor does not excuse you from attending these workshops. You may miss critical school based steps and procedures on document submission and deadlines!

A-G Requirements

- A History – 2 Years (US & World History)
- B English – 4 Years
- C Math – 3 Years (4 years recommended)
(Int. Math 1a-1b, *Int. Math 2a-2b*, Int. Math 3a-3b)
- D Lab Science – 2 Years (3 recommended)
(1 Biological and 1 Physical)
- E Language other than English (LOTE)– 2 Years (3 recommended)
(Must be same language both years)
- F Visual & Performing Arts – 1 Year
- G Elective – 1 Year

MUST REPEAT D's in any of these categories to be eligible!

7th & 8th Grade-Algebra/Geometry/Int. Math 1a-1B/Int. 2a-2b
and Language other than English count if earned C's or better

4-Year CA Public Universities

- **California State Universities (CSU)**

- 23 campuses

- <https://www2.calstate.edu>

- <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply>

- **University of California (UC)**

- 9 campuses

- www.universityofcalifornia.edu



California State Universities

- Application period: October 1 - November 30, 2020
- No letters of recommendation
- No essays
- Min. 2.0 GPA/Weighted after 9th grade
- A-G coursework
- SAT/ACT scores **(Test Optional FALL 2021)**
- Does not require SAT Subject exams
- Average eligibility index - SAT or ACT score with GPA to calculate your index

<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/eligibility-index>
<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/freshman/Pages/first-time-freshman-guidance.aspx>

University of California

- Application opens: August 1, 2020
- Submission period: November 1-30, 2020
- UC Comprehensive Review
- No letters of recommendation accepted with application
- A-G coursework
- Quality of senior year program
- Personal Insight Questions: 4 out of 8 prompts.
- SAT with Essay/ACT with Writing (**Test Optional For FALL 2021**)
- Minimum 3.0 GPA – grades 10 & 11 - weighted/8 semesters.
- Extra-curricular activities; clubs, sports, community service, leadership, awards

<https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/>

<https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/response-covid-19.html>

The Common Application

- Not accepted by UC or CSU systems.
- Currently over 900 member institutions.
- Predominately private, but also includes out of state public colleges and universities.
- Includes some international universities.
- One application/school specific supplements.
- Application Cycle: August 1, 2020*.
- Can utilize “Application Rollover” feature now.

www.commonapp.org

Must link your Common Application with Naviance after August 1st, 2020 to have supporting documents sent electronically.

Common Application Requirements

- One Common essay + optional COVID-19 essay: Choose from 7 prompts.
- College specific supplements: essays and/or short answers.
- **Letters of Recommendation/Request through Naviance.**
- **Counselor Secondary School Report/Naviance.**
- Activities/Honors/Awards.
- **Official Transcript/Naviance eDocs.**

Common App. Essay Prompts

- **Seven essay prompts:**
 - <https://appsupport.commonapp.org/applicantsupport/s/article/What-are-the-2020-2021-Common-Application-essay-prompts>
 - 650 words or less.
- **New COVID-19 optional question:**
 - Community disruptions such as COVID-19 and natural disasters can have deep and long-lasting impacts. If you need it, this space is yours to describe those impacts. Colleges care about the effects on your health and well-being, safety, family circumstances, future plans, and education, including access to reliable technology and quiet study spaces (250 words).
 - *Will appear in the “additional information” section and provides further context, however it will not count as your essay.*

Coalition for College Application

- 150 colleges and universities included.
- Mission to support lower income, under resourced, first generation and underrepresented students.
- Three universities utilize it exclusively: UMaryland, UFlorida and UWashington.
 - Optional use for all other participating colleges and universities that offer multiple application platforms.
- Five essay prompts to choose from (500-550 words).

<https://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/>

Types of Application Deadlines

Early Decision (ED)

Under Early Decision, students are permitted to apply early only to one college or university. If they are accepted, students are legally bound and must attend that school (and are forbidden to apply to all other schools after acceptance). Upon acceptance, student must withdraw all applications to other schools. Typically, Early Decision applications are due November 1st.

Restrictive Early Action (REA) - Single-Choice Early Action

With REA or Single-Choice Early Action, students are usually allowed to apply early to one college or university only (in other words, students are forbidden to apply to any other school using Early Applications or Early Decision applications, with exception of scholarship or program deadlines). Typically, REA or Single-Choice Early Action applications have due dates of November 1st and 15th.

Early Action (EA)

Under Early Application or Early Action (also called multiple-choice early action), applications typically are due October 15th, November 1st-15th, but may vary. Students are usually not required to commit to attending a particular college until May 1st.

Regular Admission

Regular Admission applications are due to most colleges and universities between January 1st and February 15th. (Note: the UC's and CSU's have regular application deadlines of November 30th and USD is December 15th). Each school's Regular Application deadline should be noted and adhered to by student applicants.

Rolling Admission (Rolling Decision)

Under Rolling Admission, there are no application deadlines; colleges accept applications and applicants throughout the year. Decisions to admit students are made on a case-by-case basis and students usually receive decision letters within 4 to 8 weeks.

Financial Aid

2 & 4 yr colleges/universities

- Scholarships - begin monthly search now and apply throughout senior year.
- Utilize Naviance for Scholarship Searches and check DNHS Counseling Newsletters and eblasts for scholarship updates.
- Merit Award-Check college specific financial aid.
- Federal Financial Aid: FAFSA - Opens on October 1, 2020.
- State Financial Aid: California Student Aid Commission – Cal Grant.
- Work Study - offered directly through colleges.
- Grants
- Loans

Digital Literacy & Academic Honesty

- Create college appropriate email and use consistently.
- Be aware of your digital footprint and how it represents you.
- Colleges ask about Academic Honesty and other inappropriate behavior.
- Joining student groups or sharing videos/pictures: Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, YouTube, WhatsApp, Kik, TikTok, Discord, Facebook or other social media sites. Colleges may be able to access.
- Clean up digital presence if necessary!
- Google yourself to find out what is out there!

California State Seal of Biliteracy

Eligibility Criteria for Seniors – Gold Seal on Diploma:

- Completion of 4 years of English/2.0 or higher average.
- **CAASP/ELA Gr. 11: Standard Met or Exceeded. (Exempt for the class of 2021)**
- Demonstrate Proficiency in additional language through **ONE** of the following:
 - ✓ AP World Language Exam Score – 3 or higher
 - OR**
 - ✓ SAT II Subject Test Score- 600 Higher
 - OR**
 - ✓ Complete **FOUR**-years high school course of study in World Language-Overall GPA 3.0 higher. ****Years of WL taken at middle school do not count.**
*Submission of PUSD Oral Language Proficiency Verification form
- ELL Students ONLY: Identified ELL students must attain overall proficiency Level of Early Advanced or Advanced on your most recent CELDT test.

For more information and application – see your counselor.

Deadline: April 1 – Senior year.

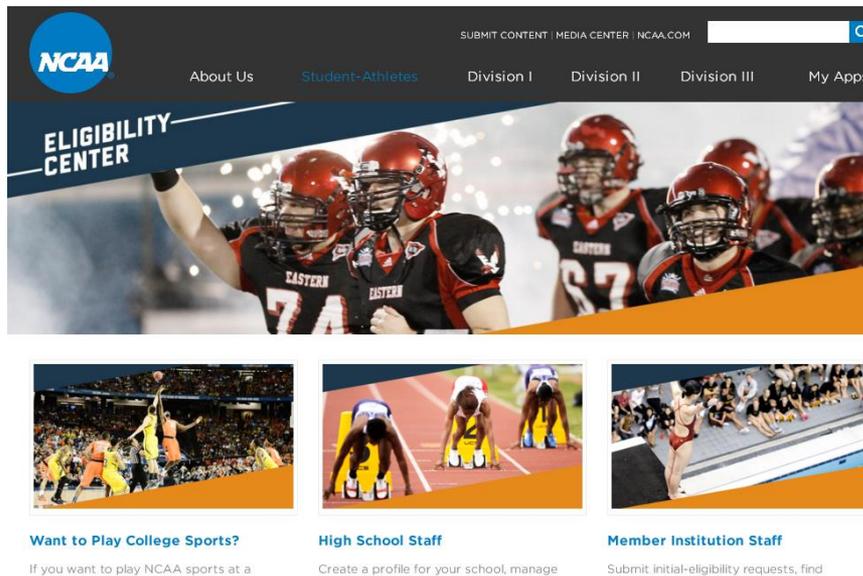
NCAA

National Collegiate Athletic Association

Athletes:

- Register by end of 11th grade and request transcript to be sent.
- Verify your eligibility (course completion/GPA)

<http://www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/future/eligibility-center>



Want to Play College Sports?
If you want to play NCAA sports at a

High School Staff
Create a profile for your school, manage

Member Institution Staff
Submit initial-eligibility requests, find

NAVIANCE

Senior Year Student Homepage

Detailed Instructions: August, 2020

Search for Colleges



Type a college name

SEARCH

Senior College Application Instructions

Welcome to Senior Year! 🎓

Below are [many topics to help you](#) navigate the college application process within Naviance. You must utilize Naviance to request and have documents sent on your behalf, but there are [very important steps](#) that you [must follow](#) in order to do so. Click, [Read More](#) to [Scroll down](#) to the [specific topics](#) that you need directions for. If you have any questions, please see your counselor.

Read more

Important To-Dos and Tasks

My Favorites

COLLEGES
I'm thinking about

COLLEGES
I'm applying to

CAREERS AND CLUSTERS
I'm thinking about

What's New



Go Nighthawks!

- **Mandatory use of Naviance for Document Submission such as Transcripts and Letters of Recommendation!**
- Strength of senior year courses.
and Senior year grades are very important!
- Meet with your counselor when needed.
- Research Colleges/Careers.
- **Scholarship Research- Start now!**
- Keep up to date with COVID-19 changes.

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