



# Del Norte High School

## Counseling Newsletter

### September 2018

#### WELCOME TO THE 2018 - 2019 SCHOOL YEAR!

We hope the new school year is off to a great start for all new and returning students. As a means of communication with our families, the counseling department will be sending this newsletter out each month through Naviance to provide you information on counseling related items occurring on and off campus; advice as you maneuver through the career selection and college application process, as well as guidance on a wide-range of topics. In addition, students are welcome to see us during break, lunch and after school if they need assistance. Also, you can find answers to many of your questions by accessing our school website <https://www.powayusd.com/en-US/Schools/HS/DNHS/Home>

IMPORTANT DATE: THE DEADLINE TO ADD/DROP CLASSES FOR TRI 1 IS **MONDAY, 9/10/18.**

#### WHAT IS NAVIANCE?



## NAVIANCE

We use Naviance to disseminate information, provide a resource for career/college data, and offer a listing of scholarships and enrichment activities. In addition, Naviance provides:

- Access to important student data (such as GPA, counselor, etc.)
- Career assessments
- College visitation schedule
- E-mail messages & newsletters from the counseling department
- Enrichment programs such as summer college programs
- Extensive scholarship database
- Occupational search/employment info

- Scattergrams comparing student academic history to previous Del Norte graduates for college acceptance
- And so much more!

Parent registration for Naviance is completed by using your student's school ID number, followed by "F" if you are the father or "M" if you are mother, or "P" if you are stepparent/guardian. 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students have created their usernames and passwords. Ninth grade students should register using their student ID number as their username and password. If a username and or password needs to be reset, please e-mail or see Mrs. Reich or Mrs. Stone in the Nighthawk Center.



#### PSAT

The PSAT will be administered at Del Norte on **Wednesday, October 10th**. The PSAT, also known as the Preliminary SAT, is a chance for students to practice taking the SAT in a real-world testing environment. Students are assessed in reading, math and writing levels. Co-sponsored by the College Board and the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, *eligible 11<sup>th</sup> grade students may qualify for future scholarship and honor opportunities*. Results are found online through CollegeBoard.org, typically sometime in late December or early January. Each student will be provided with a personalized report giving vital feedback based upon strengths and areas of needed improvement. The PSAT is free for all current tenth grade students, *and they have been automatically registered*. The Del Norte web store has registration and payment information (\$18) for 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students.

## PUSD College Fair

The College Fair will be at Rancho Bernardo High School on October 17, 2018 from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. For more information and to find out which colleges will be in attendance, go to:

<https://www.powayusd.com/Communications/College-Fair/PUSD-HS-College-Fair>

## TUTORING AT DEL NORTE

-**WHAT** stands for **Writing Help and Tutoring**. The Writing Center is up and running and looking for those students who need a little help with their reading and writing assignments or skill development. Sign up through MyConnect (Calendar, click “Scheduler”). A few walk in appointments are available each day. WHAT is open Mon/Wed/Thurs during Tutorial and also during 5<sup>th</sup> period on Wednesdays.

-**Nighthawk Tutoring** is open to all Del Norte Students on most Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:15 – 8:15 p.m., and some Saturdays. Please view the schedule on the Del Norte website.

## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SENIORS

- **12<sup>th</sup> Grade College Night** - Tuesday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center; transcripts distributed from 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Seniors & their parents please attend.
- **Common Application Presentation** Tuesday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the Performing Arts Center.
- **CSU Application Presentation** Tuesday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the Performing Arts Center.
- **UC Application Presentation** Tuesday, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the Performing Arts Center.
- **Online Application Workshops** - Seniors can drop-in to work on their online college applications. DNHS counselors will be available Oct. 16 & 30, and Nov. 6, 13 & 27, from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in the Library Computer lab.
- **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** - opens Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>
- **Financial Aid Night** – Tues Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center, DNHS. Seniors and their parents should attend.

## SENIOR NEWSLETTER

The senior information packet will be emailed to seniors and their parents in early September. A hard copy will be given to seniors in their homeroom during the first three weeks of school. It contains important deadlines, instructions, and other information they will need as they navigate the college application process.

## FALL SAT/ACT DATES

Juniors: We recommend you take the SAT and ACT w/ writing by the end of your junior year. You can also choose to take one or more of the SAT Subject Tests, in your areas of strengths.

**SAT** (Register at <http://sat.collegeboard.org>)

**ACT** (Register at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org))

Test	Register	Late Reg.
SAT Oct. 6	Sep. 7	Sep. 18
SAT Nov. 3	Oct. 5	Oct. 16
ACT Oct. 27	Sept. 28	Sept. 29 – Oct. 14
ACT Dec. 8	Nov. 2	Nov. 3 - 19

There are SAT and ACT prep booklets in the Nighthawk Center and the library.

**Two Free Test Prep sites:** [www.khanacademy.org/sat](http://www.khanacademy.org/sat) or [www.delnortenhawk.com](http://www.delnortenhawk.com), go to

Library/Databases/GALE Testing & Education Reference Center, password “nighthawks”, and click on “College Prep” tab.

## COLLEGE VISITS AT DEL NORTE

Representatives from colleges across the country will visit Del Norte this Fall and give short presentations in the Nighthawk Center to interested students on the college’s academic programs, campus life, scholarships and more. This is a great opportunity for students to learn about a variety of college options. Most of the visits are held during break or lunch, but a few may be scheduled during class time. **To attend these meetings, juniors and seniors must sign up in their Naviance**

**account** (this may only be completed in the student account). We add new college visits daily. As of today, our September line-up is:

Date	School	Time
9/12	Baylor University, Columbia University and Johnson & Wales University	10:37 am
9/12	Georgia Institute of Technology, and Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	1:17 pm
9/13	U.S. Air Force	10:37 am
9/14	Florida Polytechnic University	10:37 am
9/14	Williams College	12:30 pm
9/17	Illinois Institute of Technology, Oregon State University, University of San Francisco, & Washington State University	10:37 am
9/17	University of Richmond	1:17 pm
9/18	Bentley University, Trinity College, Wesleyan University, & Western New England University	11:22 am
9/19	Gonzaga, Auburn, and Southern Methodist Universities and Miami University - Oxford	1:17 pm
9/20	Penn State, Azusa Pacific and UC Merced	10:37 am
9/24	The University of Montana - Missoula, Rider University, University of San Diego, and Tufts University	1:17 pm
9/25	Boise State University, Fordham University and University of St. Katherine	11:22 am
9/25	Northern Arizona University	12:42 pm
9/26	University of Tulsa	10:37 am
9/27	Indiana University at Bloomington	10:37 am
9/27	Manhattanville College	1:17 pm

### COLLEGE INFORMATION PROGRAMS OFF-CAMPUS

#### **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup> @ 7p.m.

Qualcomm Incorporated

Building Q Auditorium

6455 Lusk Boulevard

San Diego, CA 92121-2779

[mitadmissions.org/visit/travel](http://mitadmissions.org/visit/travel)

#### **NACAC Performing and Visual Arts College Fair**

Saturday, September 22, 2018 from 1 – 3 p.m.

University of San Diego

Hahn University Center

**Pre-Fair Workshop: Navigating the Performing and Fine Arts Admissions** from 12 -12:45 p.m.

<https://www.nacacfairs.org/attend/pva/san-diego-performing-and-visual-arts-college-fair>

### SCHOLARSHIP AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Please have your student log in to their Naviance account to view scholarships and internships. There are many available for all grade levels, not only seniors.

They are posted and updated in Naviance, but a few are highlighted in each month's newsletter. Here's one in public service:

- **Senator Joel Anderson** currently has a limited number of internship opportunities in his San Marcos, El Cajon, and Temecula District Offices as well as in the State Capitol. This is an opportunity for students to get involved in the legislative process and develop job skills. Students will have the opportunity to work in a professional environment, build their resume, and network with elected officials and business leaders. Also, this opportunity can fulfill community service and internship requirements. More information can be found [here](#).



