

**TROY HIGH SCHOOL**  
**2017-2018 COLLEGE INFORMATION AND SENIOR CALENDAR**

*TROY HIGH SCHOOL CEEB CODE NUMBER FOR COLLEGE APPLICATIONS,  
SAT and ACT TESTS: 051009*

**1. APPLICATIONS AND TESTS**

**A. Community Colleges (such as Fullerton College and Cypress College)**

1. Seniors who plan to graduate from Troy in May of 2018 should apply online beginning in the late winter through spring of 2018. There is no application fee. To research all California Community Colleges visit [www.cccapply.org](http://www.cccapply.org).

2. Community Colleges usually prefer to give their own placement tests; some campuses will accept the results of the SAT/ACT.

**B. California State Universities**

**There are 23 campuses in the CSU system. They include:**

California Maritime Academy	Vallejo
California Polytechnic State University	San Luis Obispo
California Polytechnic State University	Pomona
California State University, Bakersfield	Bakersfield
California State University, Channel Islands	Camarillo
California State University, Chico	Chico
California State University, Dominguez Hills	Carson
California State University, East Bay	Humboldt
California State University, Fresno	Fresno
California State University, Fullerton	Fullerton
California State University, Hayward	Hayward
California State University, Long Beach	Long Beach
California State University, Los Angeles	Los Angeles
California State University, Monterey Bay	Monterey
California State University, Northridge	Northridge
California State University, Sacramento	Sacramento
California State University, San Bernardino	San Bernardino
California State University, San Marcos	San Marcos
California State University, Stanislaus	Turlock
San Diego State University	San Diego
San Francisco State University	San Francisco
San Jose State University	San Jose
Sonoma State University	Rohnert Park

## **Apply online using the CSU website – [www2.calstate.edu/apply](http://www2.calstate.edu/apply)**

1. CSU applications will be available online October 1. Indicate each CSU campus to which you are applying and submit the application **October 1 – November 30**. The cost is **\$55.00** per campus. You may apply for a fee waiver within the application and if eligible, it will waive the fee for up to four campuses.

2. California State Universities require candidates to take either the SAT Test or the ACT. Take the SAT Test or the ACT **no later than December** for regular admission. At the time of application you must submit official SAT/ACT scores to the CSU campuses to which you apply. You must send those score reports through the test websites. Currently, CSU campuses will accept the old and new SAT exam scores. **The College Board code for sending SAT scores to CSU Mentor, which is the entire CSU system, is 3594. If you list a CSU campus as an SAT score report recipient, your scores will automatically be sent to all campus to which you submit an application. If you list a CSU campus as an ACT score report recipient, your scores will automatically be sent to all campuses to which you submit an application.**

3. CSU campuses *do not* want you to send an official transcript at the time of application, so self-report your courses and grades correctly. The CSU application also *does not* want letters of recommendation. CSU campuses may require you to submit a 7th semester transcript which includes your fall semester senior year grades. If they require this they will notify you through your CSU application portal accounts. See the “Transcript” section of this handout on how to send this document using the Parchment site.

4. After you submit your CSU application and send official SAT/ACT score reports, you must set-up and check your CSU application portal accounts. It is imperative that you check these accounts frequently. Failure to meet a deadline or submit required documents will result in the cancellation of your application.

### **C. University of California**

**Nine campuses comprise the UC system. They include:**

University of California, Berkeley

University of California, Davis

University of California, Irvine

University of California, Los Angeles

University of California, Merced

University of California, Riverside

University of California, San Diego

University of California, Santa Barbara

University of California, Santa Cruz

**Apply online using PATHWAYS at [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply)**

1. UC applications are available now online. Begin your application now and submit **November 1-30**. Check the box next to each campus to which you plan to apply. The fee is **\$70.00** per campus. You may apply for a fee waiver within the application and if eligible, it will waive the fee for up to four campuses.
2. The University of California requires candidates for admission to take the SAT Test or the ACT Assessment plus Writing. The SAT Subject Tests are not required; however, certain programs recommend them. **Currently UC campuses will accept the old and new SAT exam scores**. At the time of application you must submit official SAT/ACT score reports to the UC campuses to which you applied. You can send official score reports through the test websites. If you list a UC campus as an SAT or ACT score report recipient, your scores will automatically be sent to all campuses to which you submit an application.
3. UC campuses *do not* require you to send an official transcript at the time of application, so self-report your courses and grades correctly.
4. UC campuses *do not* require letters of recommendation. However, a campus may ask certain applicants to submit a letter of recommendation after you apply. If you apply to a UC campus and they request this from you, please see your counselor in person to discuss this.
5. After you submit your UC application you must check all communication from the campuses to which you applied. Failure to meet a deadline or submit required documents will result in the cancellation of your UC application.

**D. Private Colleges and Universities**

1. Please access the Admissions Offices of these institutions by visiting their website for application information. Most colleges and universities accept the Common Application, however, please check with each campus for the preferred method of application. You may apply for a fee waiver with the Common Application.
2. Most private colleges require a counselor letter of recommendation (i.e., Secondary School Report) as well as a teacher letter of recommendation. Please refer to the sections of this handout regarding these recommendations.
3. Check with specific institutions to see if they require the SAT Test, ACT, and/or the SAT Subject Tests. Many schools will accept either the SAT or the ACT. Some college majors require specific SAT Subject Tests. At the time of application you must submit official score

reports to the private colleges to which you applied. You can send official score reports through the test website.

4. After you submit your application, required documents and official test scores, you must check all communication from the private colleges to which you applied to. Failure to meet a deadline or submit required documents may result in the cancellation of your application.

5. Private college applications will require your class rank. See your counselor in person for your decile ranking.

### **E. Out-of-State Public Universities**

1. Please access the Admissions Offices of these institutions by visiting their website for application information. Check with each campus for the preferred method of application.

2. Check with specific institutions to see if they require the SAT Test, ACT, and/or the SAT Subject Tests. Many schools will accept either the SAT or the ACT. Some college majors require specific SAT Subject Tests. At the time of application you must submit official score reports to the out-of-state colleges to which you applied. You can send official score reports through the test website.

3. After you submit your application, required documents and official test scores, you must check all communication from the colleges to which you applied. Failure to meet a deadline or submit required documents may result in the cancellation of your application.

4. Most out-of-state public universities will require you to submit an official transcript at the time of application. Please refer to the transcript section of this handout on regarding submitting an official transcript to these universities.

## **2. TEST DATES AND DEADLINES**

<b>SAT Test &amp; SAT Subject Test Dates</b>	<b>Regular Registration Deadline</b>	<b>Late Online Registration (requires the late fee)</b>
October 7, 2017*	September 8, 2017	September 27, 2017
November 4, 2017*	October 5, 2017	October 25, 2017
December 2, 2017*	November 2, 2017	November 21, 2017

\*SAT or SAT Subject Tests are given on these dates. Subject tests vary on each date. SAT Language with Listening Tests are administered on specific test dates only.

The fee for the SAT Test with essay is \$60.00. For the College Board SAT testing, you may **register online** at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). You will receive immediate confirmation of your registration.

<b>ACT Test Dates</b>	<b>Regular Registration Deadline</b>	<b>Late Registration Deadline (requires the late fee)</b>
September 9, 2017	August 4, 2017	August 5-18, 2017
October 28, 2017	September 22, 2017	Sept. 23- Oct. 6, 2017
December 9, 2017	November 3, 2017	November 4-17, 2017

The fee for the ACT with writing is \$62.50. For ACT testing, students may register online at ACT's website: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

***You must send your official SAT/ACT scores to all schools that you will apply to in the fall. Official scores are paid for and sent through the test websites.***

### **3. FINANCIAL AID**

**A.** Students who apply for Federal Student Aid must file a **FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)** form. FAFSA forms will be available online beginning October 1, 2017. Log on to their website at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Student and a parent/guardian must also apply for a Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID code (may be done prior to October 1) to use as an electronic signature on the FAFSA.

**B.** Students who apply for private funds (from private colleges and universities) must complete an additional form called the **CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE** (not required for all schools). The **PROFILE** Registration Guide is available online at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). Click on **CSS/PROFILE** under "Pay for College" on the student's' home page. Then, click on **PROFILE Online** and follow the directions. For **CSS PROFILE** registration, you **must** have a secure browser and either a credit card or checking account. The cost is **\$25.00** for the initial application fee and one college or program report. Additional reports are **\$16.00** for each school or program to which you want information sent.

### **CAL GRANTS**

Students who apply for a Cal Grant A, B, or C (used for California institutions of higher education) must also file a FAFSA form. Current and accurate information regarding **CAL GRANTS A, B, AND C** will be provided as soon as it becomes available.

Mrs. Martinez, our Data Processor, will submit the required Cal Grant GPA Verification online for **all** seniors. All seniors have the option to opt-out of having the Cal Grant GPA Verification form

submitted for them. Seniors will receive a letter and opt-out form around December. ***If you opt-out, you are responsible for submitting the Cal Grant GPA Verification form yourself.***

#### **A. Cal Grant A**

Financial assistance is provided to attend a four-year California school (public or private). Tuition only.

#### **B. Cal Grant B**

Financial assistance is provided for students from low income families to attend a California Community College or four-year school. Living expenses for the first year, and living and tuition assistance for the second year and beyond is included.

#### **C. Cal Grant C**

Up to two years of vocational training and nursing are offered. Recipients receive tuition and materials.

### **FEDERAL GRANTS**

#### **D. Pell Grant**

This federal grant provides financial aid to attend any institution of higher education in the United States. Financial need is the only criterion.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### **E. Local & National Scholarships**

Scholarships are announced throughout the year in Troy's morning announcements and on the Naviance Family Connection student accounts. Please adhere to the specific deadlines listed.

### **AID FOR UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS**

#### **F. California Dream Act (California colleges only)**

Allows undocumented and nonresident documented students who meet certain provisions to apply for and receive state-administered financial aid, university grants, community college fee waivers, and Cal Grants. For more information: <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/>

### **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NET PRICE CALCULATOR**

#### **G. Net Price of College & Net Price Calculators**

Net price calculators are available on a college's or university's website and allow prospective students to enter information about themselves to find out what students like them paid to attend the institution in the previous year, after taking grants and scholarship aid into account. For more information, please visit: <https://collegecost.ed.gov/netpricecenter.aspx>

#### 4. TRANSCRIPTS

**Order** all transcripts on [www.parchment.com](http://www.parchment.com) for a \$5 fee. If you request a letter of recommendation from your counselor or the IB Coordinator, using the Common Application or via a paper application, the counselor will send your transcript to those colleges and you **do not** need to request a transcript. Although some colleges (i.e., CSU and UC) may require only the final transcript, it is important that you are aware of any unique requirements. Colleges will usually send you an email request for a sixth or a seventh semester transcript. Further information will follow regarding final transcript requests through Parchment.

#### 5. LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FROM A TEACHER

Many private colleges and universities require letters of recommendation as supporting documents for your application.

- Prepare a well-organized **resume** (preferably typewritten) to give to the teacher. Include activities, positions of leadership, community service, and any personal information that would be helpful to the teacher. Also, please indicate any project or activity that you did well in that class that would jog the teacher's memory.
- Select the most favorable person to write on your behalf. Choose someone who knows you well and who will take the time to write an effective letter. When applying to several colleges, please notify the teacher that the recommendation will be needed for multiple institutions. Remember to **submit your request for recommendations to the same teacher**.
- Request a letter of recommendation in person. Please give the teacher advance notice. If the school does not accept online applications, provide him or her with your resume as well as a stamped envelope properly addressed to the college. Check with the teacher after one week to ensure that he or she has all of the necessary materials.
- If you are applying for a scholarship, please follow the same procedures. It is also helpful to the recommending teacher or community leader to receive a copy of the criteria required for a specific scholarship award in addition to your resume. Check with each teacher individually on their deadlines.
- Request the amount of teacher letters of recommendation that are required by the college(s) to which you are applying. If the private colleges you are applying to only require one letter of recommendation, then only ask one teacher. If the college(s) accept supplemental letters of recommendation, you may choose to select an adult who knows

you well such as an internship supervisor, faith-based organization leader, or an adult you work with through one of your activities like clubs, sports, or volunteering.

## **6. COUNSELOR LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (ALSO CALLED A SECONDARY SCHOOL REPORT OR COUNSELOR REPORT)**

**A.** See your counselor in person and ask them if they will write a letter of recommendation. Adhere to the deadlines listed on the form.

**B.** For students of Mrs. Avila, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Osborne, and Mrs. Morck: Download and complete the SSR/Letter of Recommendation form located at the bottom of the counseling homepage on Troy's website. Take the typed or neatly printed completed form and your resume to your counselor in person. Adhere to the deadlines listed in the SSR/Letter of Recommendation form.

**C.** For students of Mrs. Saleen: See her in person to join her Letter of Recommendation Google Classroom. You will also need to provide a paper copy of your resume. Adhere to the deadlines listed in the Google Classroom recommendation form.

*You **do not** need to request a transcript from the Parchment website. A copy of your official transcript and the school profile will be sent with your counselor letter of recommendation.*

**7. NCAA** – any student planning to play Division I or II sports in college, please register online ASAP at <https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>. Request a seventh semester transcript from [www.parchment.com](http://www.parchment.com) to be sent to the NCAA Eligibility Center.

**8. Fine Art Credit Earned at a Community College ("f" on the a-g requirements):** If you took a fine art class at a community college, you will have the opportunity to indicate this on the college application. Private schools will want a transcript sent directly from the community college. UC/CS campuses do not require this community college transcript at the time of application.

**PLEASE VISIT OUR COUNSELING WEBSITE TO VIEW CURRENT EVENTS AND UPDATES.**  
**INFORMATION INCLUDING THE UC/CSU GPA CALCULATION WORKSHEET,**  
**SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION, AND OTHER USEFUL RESOURCES ARE POSTED**  
**FREQUENTLY.**



Counselors for Class of 2018

Mrs. Morck A-C & AVID  
Mrs. Evans N-Sh

Mrs. Saleen D-J  
Mrs. Avila Si-Z

Mrs. Osborne K- M

**Important Dates**

**Senior Parent Presentation**- Thursday, August 24 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall

**College Night** – Monday, September 25 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in both gyms

**CSU Application Workshop** – TBD; check the “college visits” section of your Naviance Family Connection account.

**UC Application Workshop**- TBD; check the “college visits” section of your Naviance Family Connection account.

**Common Application Workshop**- TBD; check the “college visits” section of your Naviance Family Connection account.

**College Admission Representatives**- TBD; check the “college visits” section of your Naviance Family Connection account.

**Financial Aid Presentation** –TBD for sometime in October or November; check the Troy counseling website for event information.

**Fullerton College Counseling 100 classes** – Mandatory application meeting during the fall semester. Meeting details TBD and will be posted on the Troy Counseling webpage.