

Junior Parent College Night



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Overview

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- College Guidance at Jesuit High School
- SAT/ACT & Test Prep
- Applications
- ROTC & Academies
- NCAA Eligibility
- How to Choose a College
- Campus Visits
- Financial Aid
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College Planning Handbook

- Distributed Online
- Counselors review with Juniors in their Spring Collaboration Meeting

Items in the Handbook include:

- Junior Class “To Do” list and Calendar (pgs. 2-3)
- SAT & ACT Testing (pgs. 7-9)
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- Military/ROTC (pg. 16)
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Testing

- SAT or ACT
 - Most schools require either the SAT or ACT
 - Take the first test in the spring of junior year
 - Re-take as needed (Oct., Nov., Dec. senior year)

Since most schools accept both the SAT and the ACT - and since the tests are different, we recommend that students take both exams.

SAT Subject tests are not required for UC admissions, but recommended for some majors (such as Engineering). If needed, plan to take 2-3 different exams.

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/requirements/examination-requirement/SAT-subject-tests/>

SAT

Writing/Non-Writing

- CSU's do not require the writing exam
- UC's require the Writing exam
- Contact the school

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/college-essay-policies>

Subject

- Schools that require the subject exams:

<http://blog.prepscholar.com/complete-list-of-colleges-that-require-sat-subject-tests>

- **Subject tests/Practice**

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat-subject-tests/subjects>



SAT

- Reading
- Writing and Language
- Math - No Calculator
- Math - Calculator
- Optional Essay
- 65 Minutes
- 35 Minutes
- 25 Minutes
- 55 Minutes
- 50 Minutes

ACT

- English
- Math
- Reading
- Science
- Optional Writing
- 45 Minutes
- 60 Minutes
- 35 Minutes
- 35 Minutes
- 40 Minutes



Method Test Prep

Jesuit High School has purchased the online test prep program:
Method Test Prep

- Provides a comprehensive study program for the SAT and ACT
- Multiple practice tests
- Interactive lessons that will increase understanding of content
- **Free of Charge** to all Sophomores and Juniors
- Juniors will continue to have access through the Fall Semester of their Senior Year.
- All student must register on the Method Test Prep website :
<https://app.methodtestprep.com/JesuitHighSchoolSacramento/signup>
- Students must use their **Jesuit Email Address** to Register!

NCAA Eligibility Center

- Any student who wishes to be eligible for NCAA Division I or II athletics must register with the Eligibility Center
- Forms and NCAA rules are available from www.eligibilitycenter.org
- We are providing a new service for student athletes to track their NCAA Eligibility.
 - The program is called Core Course GPA

CoreCourse GPA

College Academic Eligibility Tool for High School Student-Athletes

<http://www.clearinghousecalculator.org/login.php>



Applications

- Regular Decision
- Early Action
- Early Decision – Binding, if accepted student must attend



A Variety of College Destinations & Applications

- UC Application: admissions.universityofcalifornia.edu
- CSU Application: www.csumentor.edu
- Common App: www.commonapp.org
- WUE: wue.wiche.edu
- Military Academies
- Community College

WUE

(Western Undergraduate Exchange)

- Agreement between 14 Western States to offer reduced out-of-state tuition for their public schools to residents of member states
- Reduced tuition of up to 150% of institution's regular resident tuition. (can be as low as \$7-8k for WUE members)
- Not all schools and programs participate
- Apply directly to college and mark “seek admission as WUE”
- Example of popular WUE schools for JHS students include: UNR, Boise State, Arizona State, Southern Oregon University

wue.wiche.edu

Military Academies

- If interested in the Academies - **BEGIN NOW!**
 - To secure an appointment, send for a Pre-Candidate questionnaire
 - Apply to each Senator and your Congressman for nomination
 - Follow all procedures meticulously
 - See handbook for details
 - Air Force (For example:

<http://www.academyadmissions.com/admissions/advice-to-applicants/high-school-and-college-students>

Community Colleges

- Cost effective education
- Excellent place to save money
- Good place if you are not ready academically or socially for the 4 year experience or moving away from home
- Good place to build your academic credentials to get into a more selective college

<http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/AlphaList.aspx>

CSU

■ Admissions is solely based on GPA and Test Scores

□ CSU Index (minimum is 2950 SAT)

- ▣ Multiplying GPA by 800 and adding combined score on SAT or multiply GPA by 200 and add ten times the ACT composite score

https://secure.csumentor.edu/planning/high_school/eligibility_index.asp

□ One application for all 23 campuses (pay for each campus)

□ New CSU Application Portal

□ Filing period opens October 1 - November 30, 2017

■ Typically “hands on” and preparing students for careers.

<https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/campuses>

UC

AUGUST 1 : UC application becomes available

Filing period: November 1 to 30

<https://admissions.universityofcalifornia.edu>

■ Coursework

- Complete all 15-course “a-g” subject pattern by the end of senior year
- Courses must be completed with a grade of C or better

■ GPA

- Minimum 3.00 weighted GPA (for CA Residents)
- Based on “a-g” courses completed in 10th and 11th grades, including summer courses

■ Examinations

- ACT with Writing or SAT Reasoning Test by December of senior year
- Some campuses may recommend SAT Subject Tests for specific majors

■ Personal Insight Questions

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/how-to-apply/personal-questions/freshman/index.html>

Common App

- Most private universities use the Common Application

<http://www.commonapplication.org/>

- Application is OPEN for juniors to begin !!

- Roll over 8/01/17

- “Holistic” review - Five page application

- At least one essay along with “supplemental” essays for each college.

<http://www.commonapp.org/whats-appening/application-updates/common-application-announces-2017-2018-essay-prompts>

- Counselor AND Teacher recommendations required

- Visit individual college websites for various and specific information pertaining to each college.

College Search

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Myths and Anxieties

- The “RIGHT” School
- The Prestigious School
- The “Rankings”
- The Prep Courses



Tips to Help You Search for a College

- Consider college characteristics
- Visit colleges
- Search college websites and utilize Naviance
- Attend college representative visits on campus and at hotels/conference areas

Consider College Characteristics

- Majors and programs
- Location and size
- Costs and financial aid
- Campus activities
- College search tools available on Naviance



Naviance

A web-based college guidance management system to which Jesuit High School subscribes

- College search program with a database of over 4,000 schools throughout the United States and other countries
- Admissions data - general as well as specific to JHS
- Direct web-site links to countless universities
- Building a Resume...“Parent Brag Sheet” (for Recommends)
- Complete management of student’s college guidance process
- Interest inventories/career search information
- Scholarship resource...which leads us to *Financial Aid*...

Financial Aid

- Most aid for college comes from two primary sources
 - The university the student attends
 - State and Federal Government
- File FAFSA application beginning October 1
 - Every family should file a FAFSA regardless of total income; most institutions use the FAFSA for institutional need-based aid
 - Use the prior, prior year tax information (ex. Tax Filing 2016)
 - Cash for College Workshops <https://www.cash4college.csac.ca.gov/>
- CSS Profile – beginning Oct. 1
 - Many private universities will require applicants to fill out a CSS profile for non-federal financial aid
 - Access the CSS Profile through College Board

Financial Need Determination



U.S. Department of Education

Net Price Calculator Center

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Q. Do you want to know how much it will cost for you to attend college?

A. Enter the name of a college to find its net price calculator.

What does Net Price mean?

Net Price is the amount that a student pays to attend an institution in a single academic year AFTER subtracting scholarships and grants the student receives. Scholarships and grants are forms of financial aid that a student does not have to pay back.

What is a Net Price Calculator?

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.



How do other students describe net price?

Click on one of the student video challenge winners to find out...



Net Price Calculator - Typography Video
by Brian S.



Justin, Remo, Bilyana Net Price Calculator Video
by Michael K., Remo K., John R., Bilyana P.

<https://collegecost.ed.gov/netpricecenter.aspx>

Net Price Calculator

Estimated Cost of Attendance [?](#)

Tuition & Fees ?	\$	47,112
Room & Board ?	\$	13,965
Books & Supplies ?	\$	1,791
Transportation ?	\$	837
Personal Expenses ?	\$	2,331
Estimated Total Cost of Attendance	\$	66,036

Estimated Grant/Gift Aid [?](#)

Cal Grant	\$	9,084
SCU Aid	\$	3,900
Estimated Total Grant/Gift Aid	\$	12,984

ESTIMATED NET PRICE [?](#) \$ 53,052

Estimated Self Help [?](#)

Student Loan	\$	5,500
Student Work	\$	2,500
Estimated Total Self Help	\$	8,000

ESTIMATED REMAINING COST [?](#) \$ 45,052

JHS Counseling

College Advising

- From the start of Freshman Year to the end of Fall Semester of Junior year, students need to only focus on four things for college admissions:
 - Challenge yourself with courseload and earn the best possible grades
 - Get involved! Take advantage of extra/co-curriculars
 - Explore college preferences in Naviance
 - Prepare for the SAT/ACT - which most students will take the first time in Spring of their Junior Year
 - ▣ As a reminder - Jesuit offers Method Test Prep for free starting in Spring of Sophomore year

JHS Counseling College Advising (cont.)

- In Spring Semester of the Junior Year, we start the **Major College Application Cycle**
 - Alumni Career Event
 - College Information Night
 - Junior Spring Collaboration
 - Senior Family Meetings for College Admissions
 - Multiple Senior Fall Collaborations
 - College Application Workshops
 - Financial Aid Night
 - Open availability

Where To Find Help

- Counselors and the Counseling Center
- College Planning Handbook
- Naviance Family Connection
- Jesuit High School Counseling Website
- College Fairs
- A Sample of College Internet Websites
 - <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>
 - <https://secure.californiacolleges.edu/>
 - <https://www.collegeboard.org/>
 - <https://www.act.org/>

Questions



Summer College Application Boot Camp!!!

Rising Seniors can begin their senior year with applications and essays completed by attending this summer camp at Jesuit!! Mr. Farr & Ms. Rasmussen will help students get a head-start on the college application process to relieve the pressure of Senior Year.

LIMITED SPACES

JULY 10 - 14 2017

TWO MORNING SESSIONS

SIGN UP ON JHS WEBSITE - SUMMER ACADEMIC

