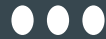


# College Info Night



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# Overview

- Comprehensive College Counseling
- College Testing
- Applications
- College Admissions Perspectives
- College Search
- Financial Aid
- College Advising
- Questions



# College Testing

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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/>

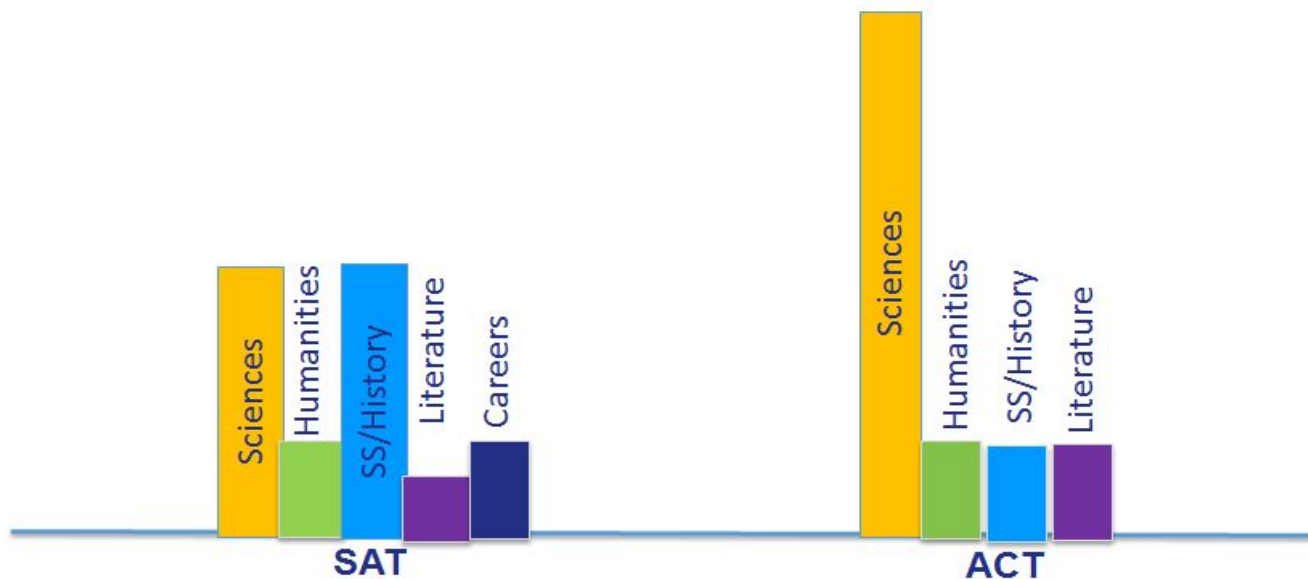
## Writing/Non-Writing

- 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>

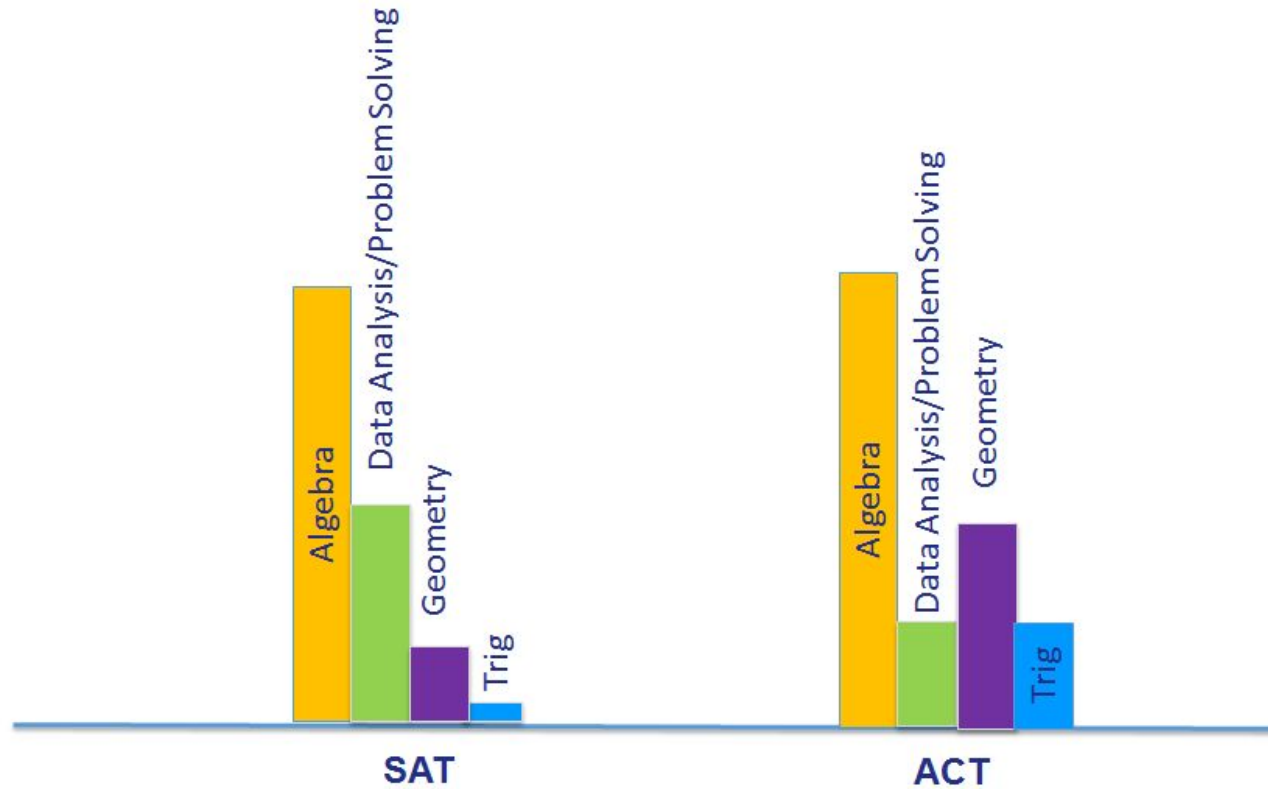
# Reading Passage Topics

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# Math Skills Tested

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# The Optional Essay - Scored Separately

## SAT

Requires students to analyze a 650-750 word document and explain how the author builds an argument.

3 scores - each on a scale of 2-8

- Reading
- Analysis
- Writing

## ACT

Requires students to analyze one of 3 different perspectives

Overall score from 2 - 12

4 scores - each on a scale 2 - 12

- Ideas & Analysis
- Development and Support
- Organization
- Language Use

# SAT & ACT: Top 5 Key Differences

- The SAT has a greater focus on History & Social Studies passages, while the ACT requires more Science reading.
- Both focus on Algebra, but the SAT has a greater emphasis on Data Analysis & Problem Solving.
- The SAT essay requires additional text analysis.
- The SAT has a No Calculator Math section.
- The SAT Math section has grid-in questions and a multi part question.

# SAT & ACT: Top Similarities

- Both have 4 sections and an optional essay
- No penalty for incorrect answers
- Multiple choice questions give four options; except for ACT Math section.
- Both are equally accepted as college admissions tests.

# Practice SAT & ACT Test at JHS

## ■ Practice SAT Dates

- Saturday, February 2, 2019 (Juniors Only)
- Saturday, April 6, 2019

## ■ Practice ACT Dates

- Saturday, January 26, 2019 (Juniors Only)
- Saturday, March 23, 2019

# SAT & ACT Concordance

## 2018 Concordance Tables

**Table A1:** SAT Total to ACT Composite

SAT	ACT		SAT	ACT		SAT	ACT
1600	36		1250	26		910	16
*1590	36		*1240	26		900	16
1580	36		1230	26		*890	16
1570	36		1220	25		880	16
1560	35		*1210	25		870	15
1550	35		1200	25		860	15
*1540	35		1190	24		*850	15
1530	35		*1180	24		840	15
1520	34		1170	24		830	15

# Test Prep

- Various options include in-class instruction, individualized tutoring, test prep books or online - whatever method will work best for your son is the right one
  - Khan Academy - SAT  
<https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>
  - ACT Academy - ACT  
<https://academy.act.org/>
  - Method Test Prep - SAT and ACT in one program
    - Free for Jesuit students using their Jesuit email address:  
<https://app.methodtestprep.com/JesuitHighSchoolSacramento/signup>

# Applications

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# 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](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, 2019
- Typically “hands on” and preparing students for careers.  
<https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/campuses>

# UC

- Admission is based on 14 factors which are factored differently for all 9 campuses.

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/how-applications-reviewed/index.html>

- One application for all 9 campuses (pay for each campus)
- Extracurricular/Volunteer/Job/ 4 Insight questions
- Minimum weighted GPA is 3.0 (10th-11th grades)
- Filing period opens August 1/Begin submitting Nov 1 - November 30, 2019
- Known as being well-regarded, selective, research-oriented colleges.

<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/>

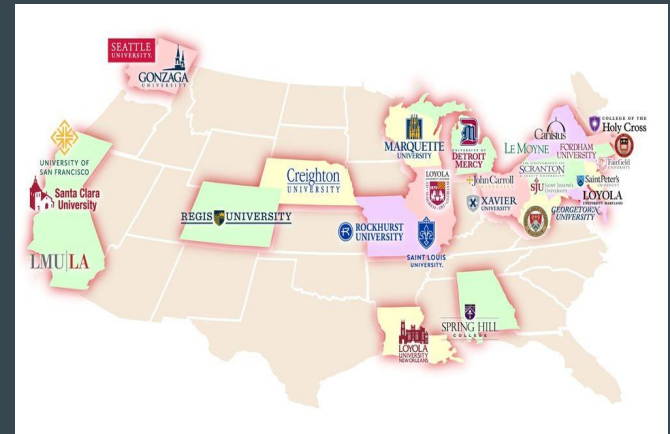
# Common App

- Over 800 private and out of state public universities use the Common Application with more out of state public universities joining each year.
- Application is OPEN for juniors to begin now
  - Roll over 8/01/19
- “Holistic” review - Five page application
- At least one essay along with “supplemental” essays for each college. 2018 prompts:  
<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.

# Jesuit Colleges

## 28 Jesuit Colleges located in 18 states

- The colleges range from major research universities to comprehensive and liberal arts universities.
- Admission acceptances range for each college.
- Scholarship opportunities for JHS graduates. Each vary with GPA/test scores/leadership. Scholarships are specified on college websites.



# 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

Example for Boise State WUE:

<https://financialaid.boisestate.edu/scholarships/non-resident-tuition-assistance-programs/>

[wue.wiche.edu](http://wue.wiche.edu)

# Military Academies

- If interested in the Academies - **BEGIN NOW!**
  - To secure an appointment, send for a Pre-Candidate questionnaire in junior year
  - 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>

# HBCU

## (Historically Black Colleges & Universities)

- HBCU refers to any accredited institution established prior to 1965 “whose principal mission was, and is, the education of black Americans.” HBCUs are committed to educating all students regardless of their race.

<https://www.bestcolleges.com/features/top-30-historically-black-colleges/>

- Common Black College Application (CBCA)
  - CBCA includes 50 member institutions
  - Applicants submit one common application that is made available to ***all*** member institutions

<https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/>

# Community Colleges

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

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

# 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](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)
  - We offer an online service for student athletes to track their NCAA Eligibility.
    - The program is called Core Course GPA
- <http://www.clearinghousecalculator.org/login.php>

# College Admissions Perspective

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Anne Johnson

University of California Santa Barbara

Amanda Hotinger

Texas Christian University

# College Search

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# Myths and Anxieties

- I have to get into...
  - The “Prestigious” School
  - The “Right School”
  - The “Ranked School” etc.
- I have to...
  - Take Prep Courses
  - Hire Outside Help
  - Spend Money/Be Anxious

The college search should reveal your  
RIGHT FIT, and you have the tools!  
4000+ schools--and one is RIGHT 4U!

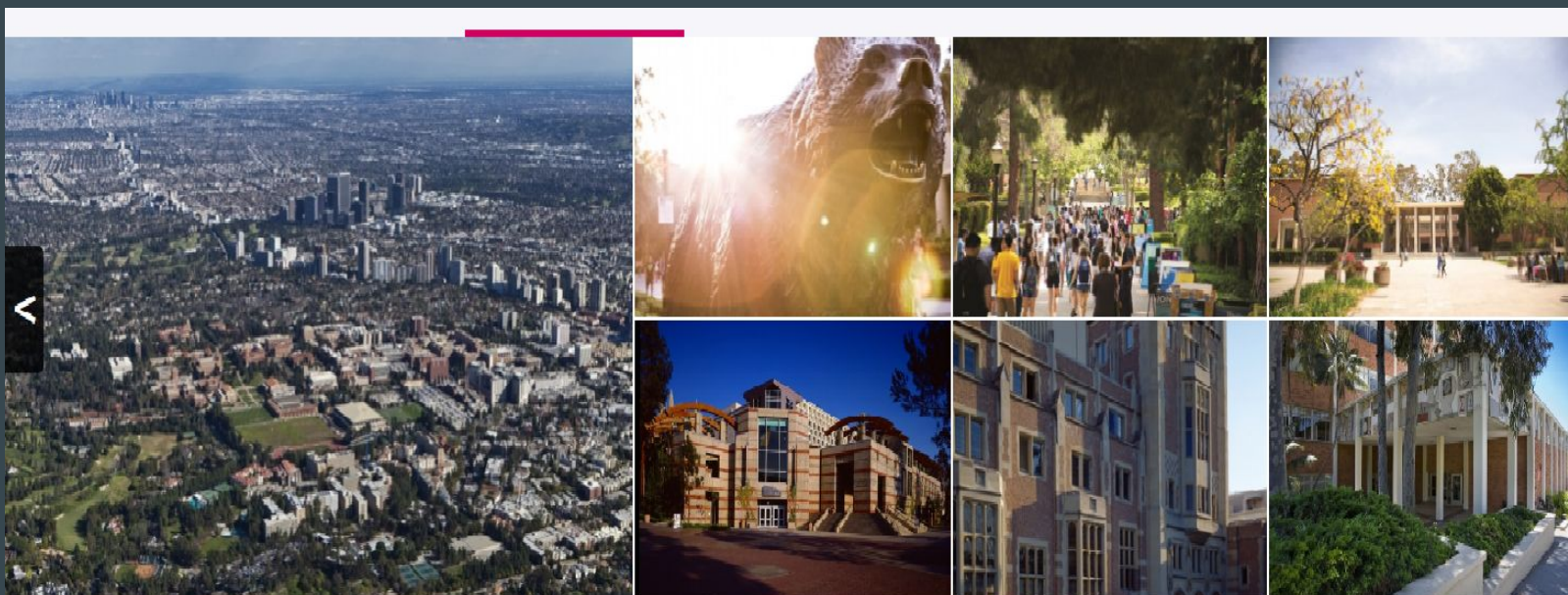


# Searching for a College: Moving from Myth to Reality

- First: Know Yourself! Be aware of YOUR Right Fit Characteristics:
  - Size Major
  - Region/Climate
  - Learning Style
- Visit colleges--preferably while school in session
  - “Vibe”
  - Housing
  - Social
  - Food
  - Extras
- Utilize ***Naviance Student*** and ***College Data***
- We host over 120 college admission reps during lunch in the fall - these are important contacts!
- College Fairs/UC Conf./JET Tour...etc.

# UCLA Information Page

## Net Price/Grad Rate/Acceptance Rate/College Overlaps



### AVERAGE NET PRICE ⓘ

**\$19,939**

Income:

[More about Cost & Aid](#)

### GRADUATION RATE ⓘ

**91%**

Within 6 years

[More about Learning Environment](#)

### ACCEPTANCE RATE ⓘ

**18%**

[Check out Scattergrams to see how this relates](#)

### COLLEGE OVERLAPS

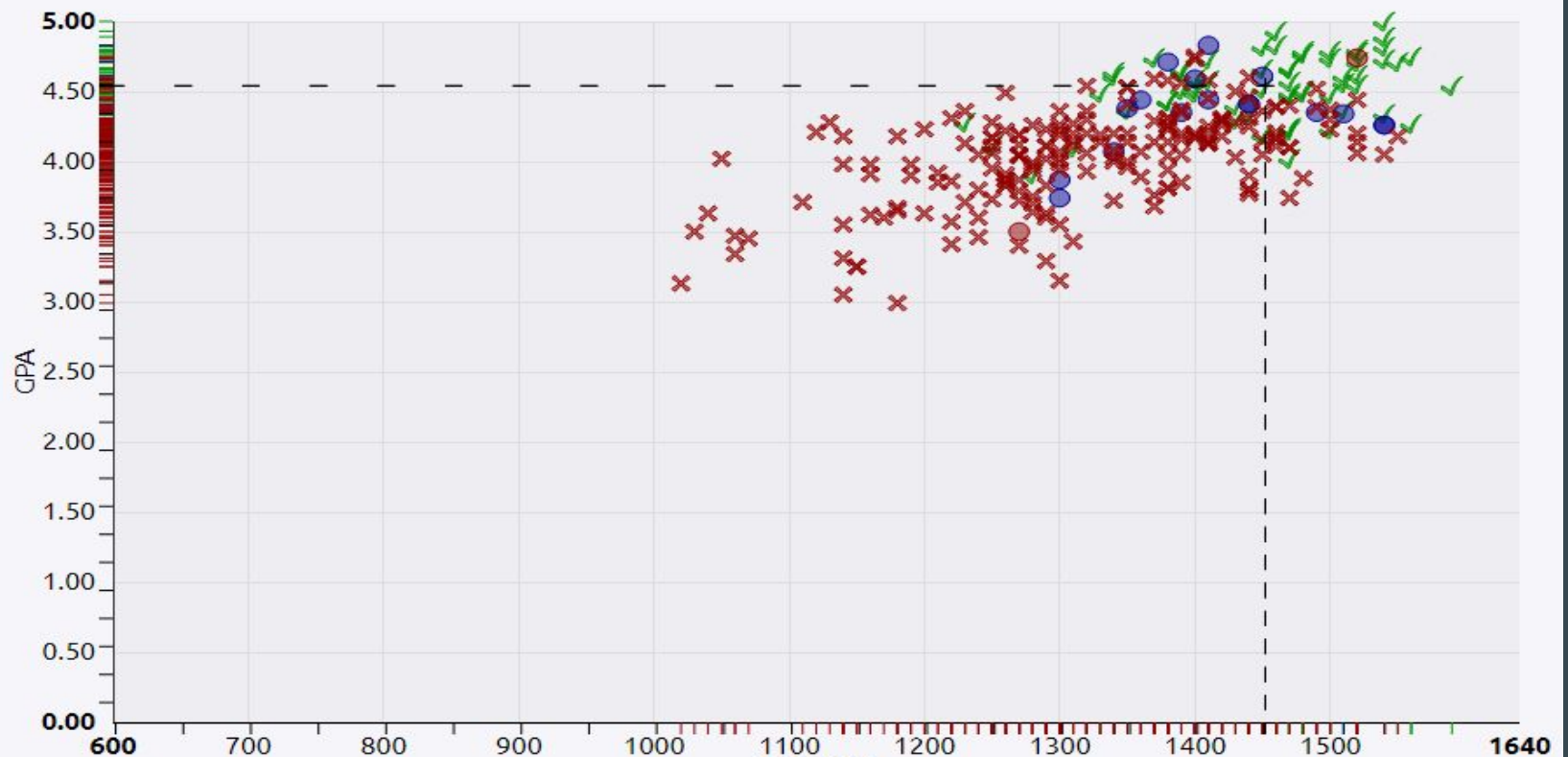
**234**

Students who apply to this college also apply to these 234 colleges

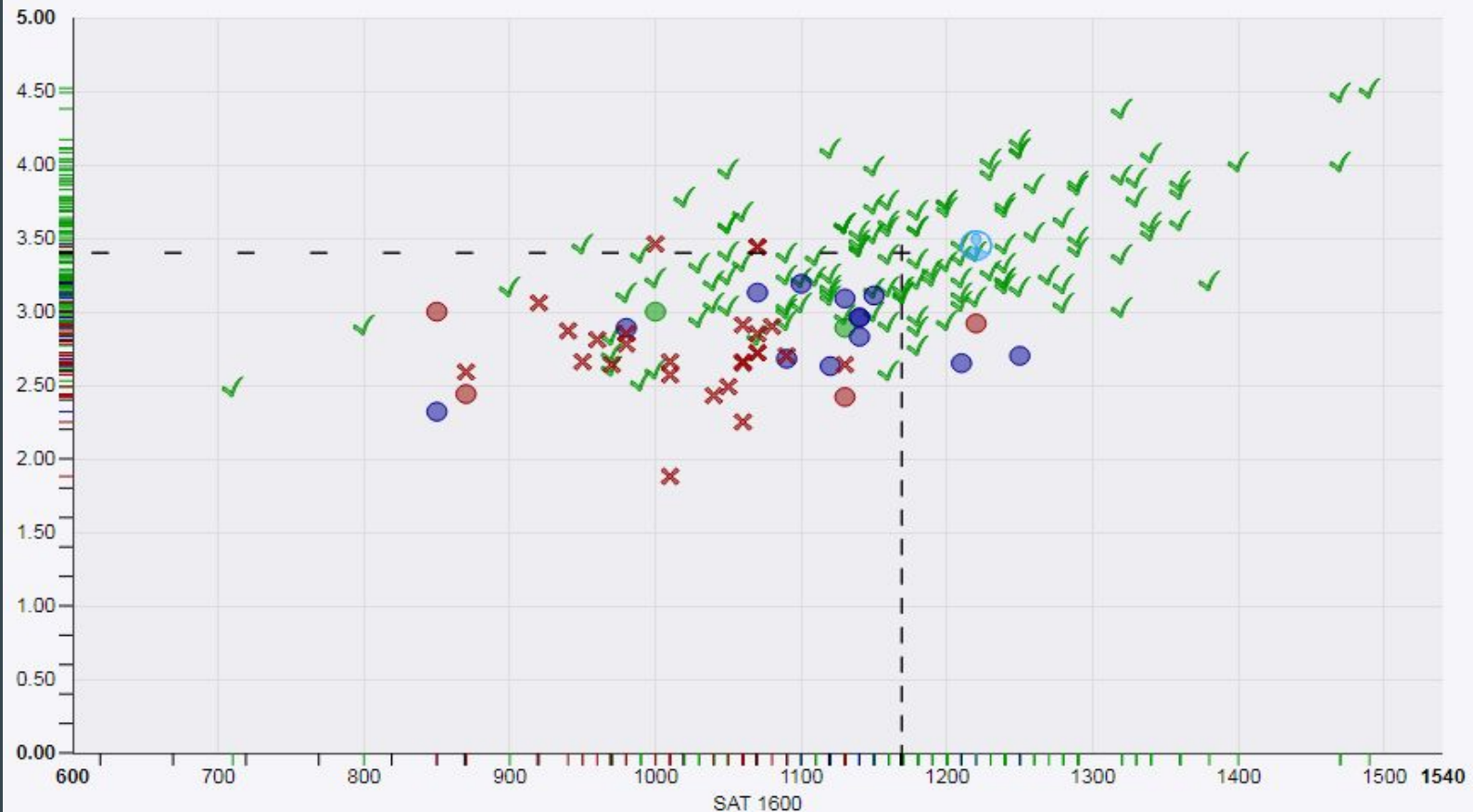
# UCLA Scattergram

Scattergrams | Applications for Jesuit High School ⓘ

Comparing Weighted GPA with SAT (1600 Scale) ▾



# Chico State Scattergram



Accepted



Waitlisted/Accepted



Waitlisted/Unknown



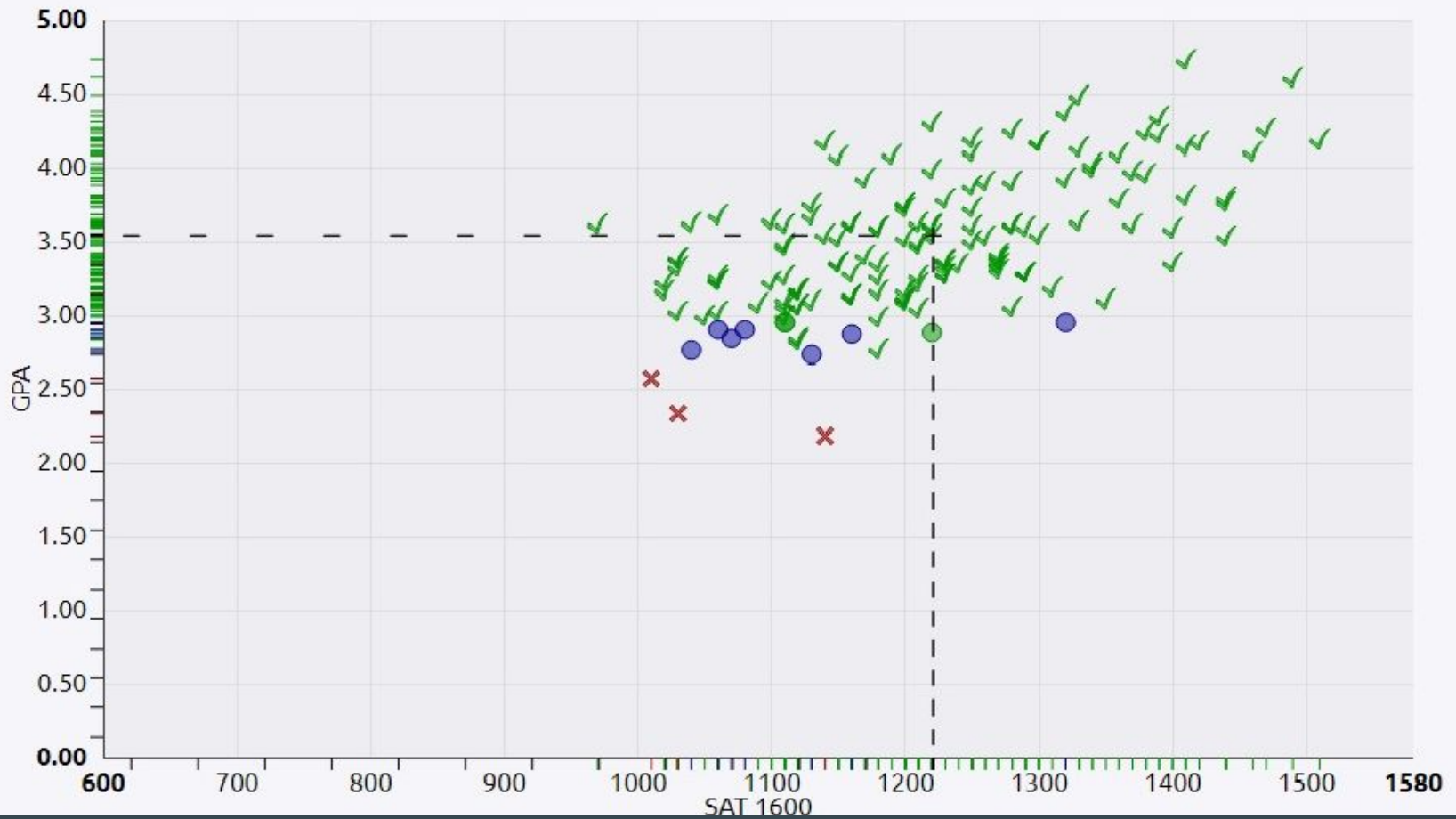
Waitlisted/Denied



Denied



# Saint Mary's Scattergram



# Colleges “Compare Me” Search

College	GPA	Sggle SAT 10
YOU - Joe Student	3.45	1220
CA Poly State Univ San Luis Obispo	3.9 ✖	1287 ✖
CSU Fresno	3.18 ✔	1147 ✔
UC Santa Barbara	4.12 ✖	1310 ✖
U of CO Boulder	3.62 ✖	1270 ✖
Humboldt State Univ	3.07 ✔	1113 ✔
U of Nevada Reno	3.26 ✔	1153 ✔

# Essentials From Naviance Student

- Building the List: “Colleges I’m Thinking About”
- Parent Brag Sheet, Student Brag Sheet, Resume
  - Counselor Letters of Rec!
  - Requesting Teacher Letters of Rec--TIME!
- Career Exploration
  - Interest inventories, career clusters
  - Matching majors and careers
- Scholarship Resources
  - Matching \$\$ need with targets
- Which leads us to...*FINANCIAL AID!*

# Scholarships and Financial Aid

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# Scholarships

- Largest amount of money usually comes from the colleges in the form of merit based scholarships
- Outside/Private scholarships are posted in Naviance
- Can be stackable



# Financial Aid

- Most financial aid for college comes from two primary sources
  - The university the student attends
  - State and Federal Government / Cal Grant
- 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 2018)
  - Cash for College Workshops <https://www.cash4college.csac.ca.gov/>
- CSS Profile – beginning October 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


# Cost of Attendance

- Cost of Attendance (COA) is an important factor for most families. Includes tuition and fees, books and supplies, room and board, transportation and personal expenses.
- Don't assume a more expensive school will have the highest cost of attendance.
- Many state schools, which can appear to be less expensive than private schools, have limited funding to offer students.
- More expensive private schools often have private grants that can make cost of attendance equal to or maybe even less expensive than a state institution.

# Determining Cost

- COA and Net Price: Your bottom line to attend any college is not the COA - it's the net price and it helps families understand the true cost of a college based on a student's eligibility for federal aid as well as grants and scholarships awarded by the college. This is the total out-of-pocket cost that you will actually pay.
- Total Cost of Attendance (COA)
  - Family's Expected Family Contribution (EFC) based on FAFSA
  - The student's estimated eligibility for grants/scholarships (Free money)
  - = The student's estimated net price of the college


# Financial Need Determination



U.S. Department of Education

## Net Price Calculator Center

[← Back to CATC](#)



**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

# College Advising

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# JHS 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** oneself with course load and earn the best possible grades
  - **Get involved!** Take advantage of co-curricular activities and pursue outside interests
  - **Explore** college preferences (Naviance, campus tours, college rep visits, etc.)
  - **Prepare** for the SAT/ACT - Each student will have different testing timelines due to how prepared he is through coursework and testing prep.

# JHS College Advising (cont.)

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

# Where To Find Help

- Counselors and the Counseling Center
- College Planning Classroom
- Naviance Student
- 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/>

# 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 (pg. 2)
- SAT & ACT Testing (pgs. 8-9)
- Personal Statement/Essay (pgs. 11-13)
- Military/ROTC (pg. 16)
- Student Brag Sheet/Parent Brag Sheet (pgs. 19-20)
- Financial Aid (pg. 21)

# Student Responsibilities

- Be proactive and start planning early
- Complete your own applications neatly and thoroughly.
- Keep track of and meet deadlines
- Complete your Student Brag Sheet, Resume and update your college list
- Send test scores to schools
- Communication is key!
  - See your counselor when you have questions!

# Parent Responsibilities

- Help and support your child, but don't make your child's decision for him.
- Teach your son responsibility - do not apply for them!
- Determine how much financial assistance you will be able to give your son, and discuss this with him.
- Work with your son to complete the FAFSA
- Assist your son in keeping track of meeting deadlines
- Complete Parent Brag Sheet in Naviance
- Remember this is a marathon not a sprint . . .

# Summer College Application Boot Camp!!!

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

LIMITED SPACES

JUNE 10-14, 2019

JUNE 17-21, 2019

TWO MORNING SESSIONS

Register on our new website [summeratjesuit.com](http://summeratjesuit.com)



# Questions

