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THE DONS COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER NEWSLETTER
FOR STUDENTS/PARENTS/GUARDIANS

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Spring Timeline - Juniors

Juniors!

It's time to start dipping your toes into the pond of college exploration! Use this [Junior Year Spring Timeline](#) and our helpful [YouTube videos](#) to assist your exploration.

Remember this is a marathon and not a sprint. If you begin now and ease into the college process, you will be so much happier in the long run!

Good luck and ask questions!



Santa Barbara High School Junior YEAR "PREP FOR COLLEGE" Spring TIMELINE

January
<input type="checkbox"/> Semester 2 (Term 3) begins. Start the 2nd half of Junior year strong <input type="checkbox"/> Sign up for a practice SAT and/or ACT if you are considering taking one of these tests
February
<input type="checkbox"/> Start to identify some general characteristics of colleges that interest you. For instance. . . environment, geography, big vs small, rural vs urban. <input type="checkbox"/> Watch the "Guide to US College and Universities" video for a breakdown of different higher ed options <input type="checkbox"/> Register to take the SAT and/or ACT exams in May or June, if needed. Remember many colleges are either Test Optional or Test Blind for Class of 2022 <input type="checkbox"/> Start planning what your summer will look like. Dual Enrollment, Summer Program, Job, Community Service/Internship (probably virtual for 2021) are all great options. Begin applying to Summer Programs if needed. <input type="checkbox"/> Begin to study for AP exams
March
<input type="checkbox"/> Continue to identify general characteristics of colleges that interest you and begin to dig deeper <input type="checkbox"/> Consider taking a Values Inventory to identify what values are important to you when you think about life after high school. Send results to your Counselor and Mr. Barr if you like. <input type="checkbox"/> Register to take the SAT and/or ACT exams in May or June, if needed. Remember many colleges are either Test Optional or Test Blind for Class of 2022. <input type="checkbox"/> Register your SCOIR account <input type="checkbox"/> Continue applying to Summer Programs (if needed). <input type="checkbox"/> Study for AP exams

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FAFSA/Dream Act DUE March 2!

Seniors! We are 1 month away from the FAFSA/Dream Act deadline (March 2). Get these online applications done now!

Financial Aid Overview Video **(Created by Cal-SOAP)**

CALSOAP will be hosting one **Cash4College Workshop per week on Wednesdays from 4-7pm**. Each workshop will be open and available to anyone via registration using the following link: <https://forms.gle/84RTViN6hgPRp3s8>.



CSAC CALSOAP SANTA BARBARA CONSORTIUM

CASH FOR COLLEGE WORKSHOPS

FREE Financial Aid Workshops

Need help filling out the FAFSA or CA Dream Act?

CALSOAP Workshops are **FREE** and will be held **remotely** from 4-7pm every Wednesday by registration **only**.

If you would like to sign up, please use the following link:

<https://forms.gle/84RTViN6hgPRp3s8>

or contact emoreno@CommUnifySB.org.

For 1:1 assistance, [Make an Appointment](#).



Santa Barbara City College Process - For Seniors



Seniors - SBCC Time is now!

It is now February and that means if you are planning on attending City College after graduation, you need to be already working on the following!

Complete Steps 2 and 3 BEFORE Spring Break

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;">  <div> Senior Important Dates </div>  </div>			
https://www.sbcc.edu/enrollmentservices/sbhs.php			
	Event	Date & Time	Zoom Information
Step 1	SBCC SENIOR KICK-OFF	Wednesday, January 27th Session 1: 12 - 1pm Session 2: 3:30 - 4:30pm	Webinar Format Registration Required to attend, limited capacity Session 1 * Session 2
Step 2	FEBRUARY APPLICATION WORKSHOP	Tuesday, February 2nd Session 1: 12 - 1pm Wednesday, February 3rd Session 2: 12 - 1pm	Webinar Format Registration Required, limited capacity Registration Link
	MARCH APPLICATION WORKSHOP	Tuesday, March 2nd Session 1: 12 - 1pm Wednesday, March 3rd Session 2: 12 - 1pm	Webinar Format Registration Required, limited capacity Registration Link
Step 3	ONLINE ORIENTATION	Must Complete BEFORE registering for Class Planning	Sign-up for self-paced Online Orientation . Take about 60 minutes.



What's new with the SAT and ACT?

SAT - Big changes from the Collegeboard

- **SAT Subject Tests** have been permanently suspended. Any who have already signed up will receive refunds
- **SAT Optional Essay** will continue until June and then be discontinued thereafter
- **SAT will be moving to an optional online format in late Spring/Summer.**

ACT -

- **Currently no changes to the ACT**

Update on Santa Barbara High School as Test Center for ACT and SAT national testing for the Spring.

In Aug 2020 in order to keep our students and staff safe Santa Barbara Unified School District canceled all events for the Fall Semester like the ACT and SAT at Santa Barbara High School. This closure is still in effect and at this time in order to keep students and staff safe our district will not allow our SBHS campus to have events like national testing.

If you have registered for either SAT with the college board or ACT for testing prior to this message, ACT and SAT have been contacting students directly about a refund.

If you have any questions or concerns about national testing for SAT or ACT dates at Santa Barbara High School - **Email Judy Gonzalez: jgonzalez@sbunified.org**



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SAT[®]

Community Service Updates

For 9th-11th - the requirement for graduations (60 hours of community service) is being evaluated and an announcement will be made from the District later this year.

For Seniors - the requirement for graduation has been suspended. Hours will not be required for graduation

- For those of you who did turn in hours throughout your high school years, we want to honor you! If you completed and turned in 120 hours or more, you will receive our Community Service Excellence Award at our Senior Honors Night. Please turn in those hours!



College Gear Tuesdays!







Students and Parents!

Make sure you tune in on **Instagram every Tuesday** for a new college/university highlighted by your very own Mr. Barr! Be sure to ask me about any of the colleges you see highlighted.







Interested in taking part in College Gear Tuesday?? Just post a photo of yourself wearing some college gear and tag our **Instagram @sbhs_cccenter** OR email your photo to me and I will post it for you! sbarr@sbunified.org

College and Virtual Tour Lists









Need some help finding Virtual Tour links? Or want to know how far from Santa Barbara various colleges are? Check out these lists of the Cal State's, UC's, and WUE (Western Undergrad Exchange) colleges to get your started.

Cal State Campuses : Sheet1						
	A	B	C	D	E	F
1		Name (listed alphabetically)	Student Population	Distance Away From Santa Barbara	Admissions Website	Virtual Information
2		CSU Bakersfield	7,800	149 miles	LINK	Virtual Tour
3		CSU Channel Islands	5,900	48 miles		
4		CSU Chico	15,200	470 miles		
5		CSU Dominguez Hills	10,700	108 miles		
6		CSU East Bay	10,100	305 miles		
7		CSU Fresno	19,300	238 miles		

UC Campuses : Sheet1

	Name (listed alphabetically)	Student Population	Distance Away From Santa Barbara	Admissions Website	Virtual Information
	UC Berkeley	29,500	327 miles	LINK	Virtual Tour
	UC Davis	29,900	381 miles	LINK	Virtual Tour
	UC Irvine	29,200	146 miles	LINK	Virtual Tour
	UC Los Angeles	31,000	95 miles	LINK	Virtual Tour
	UC Merced	7,800	296 miles	LINK	Virtual Tour
	UC Riverside	20,100	160 miles	LINK	Virtual Tour

WUE Colleges : Sheet1

	Name (listed alphabetically)	Student Population	Distance Away From Santa Barbara	Admissions Website
Alaska				
	University of Alaska Anchorage	17,900	around 3,300 miles	LINK
	University of Alaska Fairbanks	8,200	around 3,200 miles	LINK
	University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau campus	3,500	around 2,700 miles	LINK
Arizona				
	Arizona State University / Downtown	11,500	468 miles	LINK
	Arizona State University / Polytechnic campus	9,700	501 miles	LINK
	Arizona State University / West campus	3,600	472 miles	LINK
	Northern Arizona University	29,000	553 miles	LINK
	Northern Arizona University, Yuma campus	500	382 miles	LINK

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WUE (pronounced “woo-wee”) is the Western Undergraduate Exchange, a regional tuition-reciprocity agreement that enables students from US Western states to enroll at participating two- and four-year public institutions at reduced tuition. The WUE program offered at 150+ institutions has some similarities among all and many variations causing confusion and misunderstandings. The list below includes ALL WUE 4-year colleges and universities.