

SMHS Class of 2022 College Bound Checklist

You should be working on these now...

- Finalize the list of colleges you want to apply to.
- Visit each college website and read all requirements for admission.
- IF NEEDED: Register to take the SAT and/or ACT exams in the fall

September

- Review your unofficial transcript. Are all grades correct? Make up D or F grades on your transcript.
- Start your Common App application. Application is open now.
- Start your UC application online. Application is open now. Submit starting November 1.
- Attend College Application Workshops week of Sept 27- Oct 1 during periods 5 and 6 in Room 205
- Contact each teacher that you want a letter of recommendation from.
- Request for your test scores to be sent directly to the colleges or universities you are applying

October

- Financial aid applications: FAFSA and CADAA open Oct 1st
- CSU application opens Oct. 1st
- Palomar College and Palomar Promise application open

November

- Brag sheet due on November 1 for Regular Decision and Rolling Admission applications.
- Submit all your college and financial aid applications before thanksgiving

No Pie Until you Apply!

December-January

- Study for your finals and do well! Your Senior year grades DO matter.
- Submit all applications before the deadlines.
- Notify all colleges in writing if you have a change in your Senior year schedule of classes.
- Check with colleges to make sure that your application has been completed
- Research and apply for scholarships

February-March-April

- Complete all financial aid forms *by March 2nd* (FAFSA/CADAA and CSS profile)
- Stay in touch with the financial aid offices to better understand your financial aid packages.
- Continue your scholarship search.

May

- May 1st is Decision Day: Notify your school of choice by May 1 and pay the enrollment deposit fee.
- Continue attending classes and doing well. College acceptances can be rescinded!

June

- Request your final high school transcript to be sent to the school you will enroll in.
- If you have taken classes at a college or community college, request transcripts be sent to your college
- Attend Freshman Orientation and register for fall classes

Important Information

SMHS COUNSELORS

Mrs. Nguyen (A-Carn): lori.nguyen@smusd.org
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REQUIRED INFO FOR COMMON APP

- Title:** School Counselor
- Phone:** 760-290-2200
- Fax:** 760-761-0803
- Class Rank Reporting:** None
- Class Size:** 910
- GPA Scale:** 4 point
- GPA:** Weighted
- Course Scheduling System:** Semester
- CEEB:** 050883
- Highest GPA:** 4.53

UC APPLICATION INFORMATION

CA SSID: This number is located on your SMHS transcript labeled STATE ID

Senior Year Grades: Fall classes = IP (In Progress); Spring classes = PL (Planned)

Concurrent/Dual Enrollment Classes: Fall/Spring Terms. List under Colleges Attended section, not HS Courses

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

- SMHS website – View the SMHS College and Career website regularly (at least weekly)
- San Marcos Promise - Community Scholarship
- San Diego Foundation - Common Scholarship Application and more
- Websites - Fastweb, CollegeBoard, My College Dollars, and more
- College websites (look under the financial aid tabs)
- Local Scholarships - Available on the SMHS College and Career website

COLLEGE AND CAREER RESEARCH

Big Future: research colleges

California Colleges: provides students with an all-inclusive guide for their college & career paths at any California or Out of State colleges.

College Data: learn how to find colleges that are a good fit for you, develop your college search strategy and explore colleges with their “College Match” college search engine.

Assist.org: learn about the transfer process from community college to a four-year university.

California Career Zone: students may complete self-assessments to help choose a satisfying job or occupational field and explore careers and finances.