

2021-2022 Buchanan High School Senior Newsletter

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Senior Year is filled with many emotions, especially in the current pandemic that we are in! It can be filled with excitement as our seniors start to venture out into adulthood. It can also be filled with stress and uncertainty as college applications, scholarships, and deadlines approach. Please use this **SENIOR NEWSLETTER** as a reference to guide you throughout your senior year in applying for colleges, attending virtual workshops, and staying on top of those hard deadlines. We will hold college applications and financial aid workshops; it is imperative for seniors to know their Social Security Numbers and correct spelling of their legal names in order for colleges to match students' information. Do not procrastinate and stay in touch with your counselor if you have any questions regarding this information.

COMMUNITY COLLEGES (SCCCD- Clovis Community (CCC), Fresno City (FCC), Reedley College, & Madera/Oakhurst Center)-

Please visit the statewide CA Community College website, <http://home.cccapply.org> to apply to any CA Community College. Select the Community College you'd like to attend and create an online account or go directly to your area community college website to apply.

1. **Complete the Area SCCC Community College Application** between **September 1 - November 30, 2021**
*There is no application fee.

CA Community College Website available online at: <http://home.cccapply.org>

Clovis Community College available online at: <http://www.cloviscollege.edu/>

Fresno City College available online at: <http://www.fresnocitycollege.edu/>

2. **Please refer to the attached CCC/FCC Matriculation Checklist for step-by-step instructions and important dates.**
3. **California College Promise (AB-19)** funding is to cover tuition at SCCC colleges. A FAFSA application must be filed and there are other requirements, please see attached. All seniors are highly encouraged take advantage of this opportunity!
4. **Senior Conference Week** will begin on **9/20/21**. The **CCC/FCC Application Workshop** will take place during the presentations in students' Government & Economics classes. We encourage **ALL** students to apply to Community College as a backup plan and another option for them.
5. Interested in the Honors Program at college? Please visit your college-choice website for more information, you may have to turn in a separate application, meet requirements and deadlines.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM-

Apply online for all California State Universities at: <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply>. Application fee is \$70.00 per campus.

1. There are **23** CSU campuses throughout California. The same application may be used for all campuses.
2. Application period is **October 1st** through **November 30th**.
3. The **CSU Virtual Application Workshop** is scheduled on:
 - **Friday, 10/15/21** Zoom Workshop: <https://bit.ly/3yVcjC7>
 - **Wednesday, 10/27/21** Zoom Workshop: <https://bit.ly/3naNmR3>
4. **CSUF Smittcamp Family Honors Scholarship**: There are three separate applications: 1) You must apply to CSU Fresno, 2) submit a CSUF Scholarship Application, and 3) submit the Smittcamp Application-
<http://www.fresnostate.edu/academics/honors/index.html>
5. **SAT/ACT Test Requirement for CSU's**: Suspended the use for admission for Fall 2022 (cannot be used in decision). However, some scholarships may still require it.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SYSTEM-

Apply online for all UC applications at: <https://apply.universityofcalifornia.edu/>. Application fee is \$70.00.

1. There are **10 UC** campuses throughout California. File ONE application to the UC system, indicating which campus(es) you prefer.
2. The **UC Application is available online now**, and the submission period is **November 1st – 30th**.
3. Complete 15 UC-required college-preparatory ("a-g") courses, with 11 of those done prior to the start of 12th grade. Maintain a GPA of 3.0 or better (weighted by honors/AP bonus points) in these courses.
4. **The UC Online Application Workshop is TBA.**
5. **SAT/ACT Test Requirement for UC's:** UC will not consider SAT or ACT test scores when making admissions decisions or awarding scholarships. If you choose to submit test scores as part of your application, they may be used as an alternative method of fulfilling minimum requirements for eligibility or for course placement after you enroll.

PRIVATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES-

1. To apply to Private College(s) go to the following website at: www.aiccu.edu, this will allow you to search for the college you are interested in. Check the college of your choice website to see how they ask for you to apply.
2. Application dates, deadlines, and fees vary for each campus. Most campuses accept either the SAT or ACT; while some schools have suspended these tests, please be sure to check with each individual college/university on their requirements. Subject tests may be required for competitive private colleges.
3. **Fresno Pacific University Presentation and Virtual Application Workshop** is on:
 - **Presentation:** Tuesday, October 5th, 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Another presentation is TBD
 - **Application Workshop:** Tuesday, November 9th, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

FINANCIAL AID-

1. **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid.** (<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>) Apply online as early as **Oct 1, 2021 through March 2, 2022**. The **FAFSA Workshop's** will take place in the Fall & Spring. **Dates are December 01, 2021, and Feb 15, 2022**. Both workshops will be held via Zoom from 6-8 p.m.
2. **FSA ID-** In order to file your Financial Aid application, both students and parents must first set up their FSA I.D. This unique I.D. will constitute your electronic signature required to submit your FAFSA. To do so, please visit this link. <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>
3. In order to qualify for the California College Promise (AB 19), the successful submission of the FAFSA application is required! Students can list up to 10 colleges on their FAFSA application, it is recommended to list at least one local community college as a school.
4. **FAFSA GPA Verification Form** will be submitted by Clovis Unified for all seniors.
5. **BHS Scholarship Bulletin:** Check on the BHS Counseling Center website for scholarship opportunities: <https://bhs.cusd.com/ScholarshipsFinancialAid.aspx>

SENIOR CONFERENCES WILL ALSO COVER-

1. Sign-up with the Counseling Center “Class of 2022” google classroom code is: 54qufuc
2. Know your high school graduation requirements. Maintain grades. Nothing below a C in the A-G classes.
3. Stay involved in clubs, church activities, sports, and academics.
4. **National Honor Society** activity forms are available on BHS website, deadline is 10/4/21.
<https://bhs.cusd.com/NationalHonorsSociety.aspx>
5. **CSF Application window for the Spring 2021 semester**, the application window will be 8/30/21–9/10/21
Applications are available on the BHS website- [BHS CSF Website](#).
6. When requesting a letter of recommendation, complete the Student Information Worksheet found on the Counseling website <https://bhs.cusd.com/SeniorInformation1.aspx> and include a resume. Give at least **two weeks** for the letter to be completed.
7. **Xello:** Investigate possible careers based on an interest inventory, research college majors, and colleges as well as learning and personality styles. Students can do one of the following for access:
 - Automatically log-on to Xello through their Clovis Unified Clever account.
 - **From a school computer:** Log in to the computer (*Username:* firstlast001, *Password:* CUSD password); click on Clever tab, click on the 4-colored box, click on Xello app.
 - **From a personal computer:** Go to www.clever.com; Choose *Log in as a Student*; In the High School box, type *Buchanan High School – Clovis Unified*; Log in to your CUSD Single Sign-in account; Click on Xello app.
8. **NCAA/NAIA Information-** Contact your counselor or NCAA/NAIA representative Mr. Salone, if you are interested in college athletics. The NCAA Eligibility Center website is <http://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/>. If you are attending a private university, please check the university website to see which collegiate association oversees the school.
9. **ASVAB-** (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) is a military entrance exam for juniors and seniors. It helps students explore their interests, aptitude and career opportunities. The test dates are **October 22nd and February 10th**. For more information on military please visit: <https://bhs.cusd.com/Military.aspx>

2021-2022 COLLEGE AMBASSADOR SCHEDULE

INSTUTION	REPRESENTATIVE	CONTACT INFO TO SCHEDULE APPT	DATE AND TIME(S)
Clovis Community / Fresno City College	Amy Yocupicio	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• amy.yocupicio@cloviscollege.edu• (559) 325-5035• Remind APP: Text 81010,<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Class code: @ccbhs22	Tuesdays from 8:00am–3:00pm
Fresno State	Elizabeth Tinoco-Rodríguez	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• fsambassador15@mail.fresnostate.edu• Schedule a meeting: https://calendly.com/fsambassador15/30min	Monday-Thursday from 12:00pm-5:00pm
Fresno Pacific University	Sarah Vang	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sarah.vang@fresno.edu• (559) 453-2363	09/24/2021 1:30-2:30 pm 10/5/2021 10 – 11 am 11/9/2021 1-2 pm