Class of 2020
Madison High School
College Bound Symposium

Researching and Pursuing All Your Options…
With diploma in hand, you can pursue…

- University of California
- California State University
- Private College and Universities
- Community College (AA and transfer)
- Trade or Technical School
- Armed Forces (with career focus within)
- Apprenticeships
Today’s Focus

- Ultimately a four year degree
- Knowing how to research and pursue your options
- Applications, testing, deadlines and tips
- Gathering necessary supplies – getting organized
- Getting a head start on $$$ for college
The Class of 2019 set college admission records…

- 85% are attending 4 year or 2 year colleges or universities
- 93% had a concrete plan for higher education, vocational training or Armed Forces service
- 25% were admitted to San Diego State University
- 30% are attending a California State University campus
- 5% are attending a University of California campus (UCSD, UCLA, UCI, UCSB, UCSC)
- Madison seniors earned full scholarships to many universities for Academic Merit and Athletic accomplishment.

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Your Personalized Portfolio…

Resource Folder – to be used throughout this entire year!
You have received…

- A copy of your current transcript to help you fill out applications.
- Class rank, using grades 10-11 WGPA
You have received…

Resources for:
- FAFSA
- College Applications
- Scholarships
- Transcript Requests
- Naviance Resource

Let’s Look!

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College Preparation folder: Left side

- **Transcript with written class rank**
- **Cal State APPLY Mentor Resource Card**
- **Madison’s “a-g” Course List / College Resources** – (Pink)
  - College Application Workshop Flyer - (Pink)
- **Website Resources: “Congrats it is your senior year”** – (Goldenrod)
  - CSU Pathway to College Readiness/ARE YOU READY? – (Goldenrod)
- **Cal State Admissions Requirements/Application fee waiver checklist**– (White)
- **Madison “Brag” Sheet (Due to counseling by 10/30)** - (Yellow)
- **University of California (UC) Personal Insight Questions Worksheet** – (Blue)
- **Naviance directions/Madison registrar transcript requests.** (Lavender)
  - Registrar directions for transcripts requests – (Lavender)

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College Preparation folder: Right side

- Cal SOAP College Fair Flyer - White
- Upcoming Events Flyer – White
- FAFSA Workshop Flyer - Green
- How Much does college cost? FAFSA/Dream Act/AB540
  - Cal Grant Income Ceilings
- Madison Scholarship “SHOW ME THE MONEY” (Green)
- Do you need money for college fact sheet (FAFSA) (Green)
  - Creating your FAFSA ID – (FSA ID)

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Today’s Schedule

Part I

- Opening Session
  - Overview of materials
  - Breakout session process
Part II – Breakout Sessions

- $$ for College: “Do you need money for College” brochure
  - Creating an FSA ID
  - FAFSA application sample/preparation sheet
- Naviance:
  - College search, Scholarships, transcript requests, letters of recommendation, and updating profile
- CSU – Cal State Apply
  - Searching for colleges and majors
  - Looking for a Career / Major
  - Applying to CSU or UC
Part III – Cal SOAP College Fair

- Wednesday Evening, October 23
  - 6:00–8:00 p.m
- Scottish Rite Center - Mission Valley
- Free parking and admission (carpool!)
- Fair-style Booths with College Admission Reps and Workshops with Experts
- Submit a Permission slip by 10/18 to the Counseling Office if you want to ride the Madison bus.

{Permissions slips available in Ms. Fuller’s room 210 or the counseling office.}
Five lessons we’ve learned from past college bound classes...
Lesson #1

The competition for college admission is tremendous.

You must apply to multiple campuses to avoid an “empty basket” in May.
Why multiple campuses?

- Students no longer can meet the minimum requirement and secure a spot in UC or CSU.
- Many CSU campuses are “impacted.”
- Why? Admission is competitive.

Averages of admitted class of 2019 are:
- (Based on grades 10-11, max 8 semesters of AP or Honors courses)
  - SDSU,
    - 3.8 GPA and 1260 SAT (CR and Math only)
  - UCSD …
    - 4.11 GPA and 1260 SAT (CR, Math and Writing)
- Compare SAT and GPA averages for colleges in Naviance……
What causes an “empty basket?”

How can I prevent it?
What does “apply widely” mean?

- Select both competitive and less-competitive options.
- Public and private.
- A minimum of 7-8 campuses.
- 3-4 UC campuses.
- 3-4 CSU campuses.
- 1 or more private.

Compare on Naviance!!!!!
## Minimum UC and CSU “a-g” Pattern Requirements

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## 4 year College Costs
(without grants, scholarships or loans)

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What are my CSU options?

23!!!
Popular Impacted CSU Campuses

- SDSU
- Long Beach State
- Cal Poly Pomona
- Cal Poly SLO
- Fullerton
- Los Angeles
- Sonoma State
- San Francisco State
- Chico State
- CSU Northridge
- Fresno State
- CSU San Marcos
- San Jose State
- Humboldt State
- Sacramento
- San Bernardino

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Madison Favorites Beyond SDSU

- CSU San Marcos
- CSU Fullerton (close to Anaheim/Disneyland)
- Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
- Cal Poly Pomona
- Northridge (Upper LA)
- San Francisco State
- Chico State (Northern Cal)
- Humboldt, Sacramento, San Jose, Maritime Academy (northern CA)
California State University

- SAT I or ACT (writing not included)
- No SAT II necessary
- Completion of “a-g” requirements- 15 courses
- GPA calculated in courses taken AFTER Grade 9
- No essay, except for EOP admission
  - (must complete by November 30 for most schools.)
- No activities or honors listed, except for supplementary applications
Apply for a CSU
CAL STATE APPLY

Find your future at the California State University. With 23 campuses and thousands of degree choices, the CSU is a great place to start your journey. Explore your options below, and start your application today.

See Application Dates & Deadlines »

The application for the Fall 2020 term will be available starting October 1, 2019.

Select a Term to Apply For Apply

Starting with the Fall 2020 application cycle, the fee to apply to the CSU will change from $55 per campus to $70 per campus. Some students may qualify for an application fee waiver. The increased fee does not apply to those who apply for the Spring 2020 term.
Eligibility Index for CSU

GPA X 800 + SAT Score = Eligibility Index

**GPA:** “a-g” in grades 10-11 with only 8 honors points allowed; no PE, JROTC, ASB etc.

**SAT Score:** Only includes CR and M so possible 800 + 800 = 1600 max
If you are UC eligible there is a GOOD chance you will be admitted to these schools. Impacted programs might make a difference.
What was the Average “a-g” GPA for the Class of 2018 UC applicants?

- UC San Diego 4.0
- UC Santa Cruz 3.79
- UC Merced 3.56
- UCSB 4.00
- UCLA 4.20
- UC Davis 4.06
- UC Irvine 4.07
- UC Berkeley 4.20
Will you measure up for UC?

- Admission based upon SAT I, GPA in “a-g” courses, personal insight questions, and other factors.
- SAT II Subject Tests are no longer required, but recommended by some majors.
- Comprehensive review practiced by all campuses.
What is UC campus comprehensive review?

Admissions officers look beyond the required coursework and grades to evaluate the applicant’s academic achievements in light of the opportunities available to them and the capacity each student demonstrates to contribute to the intellectual life of the university.
Comprehensive Review Factors

Campuses draw from academic and personal factors approved by University faculty, including:

Grades and test scores and:
- Quality of senior year program
- Special talents, achievements & awards
- Promise for leadership
- Recent, marked improvement in academic performance
- Significant community service
- Participation in student government
- Intensive study and exploration of other cultures
The Personal Insight Questions are so important!

- Choose 4 out of 8
- The essays take the place of a personal interview.
- The applicant can share what is not present in the facts and statistics.
Transfer categories from your Brag Sheet for College Bound Seniors…

- Activities and Awards
  - Awards and Honors
  - Extracurricular Activities
  - Community Service
Fee Waivers for Applications?

- UC and CSU $70 application fee per school
  - application fee waivers are integrated into the application.
  - (Know your family's income…do not guess)

- Private colleges
  - Download College Board fee waivers
    - (4 per student within College Board website)

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What is the cost if we don’t qualify for a fee waiver?

- $70 for UC and CSU per school
- Private colleges vary, but it ranges from $30 to $55. My suggestion - (Write letters to request a waiver?)
- You can apply to 4 UC campuses with a fee waiver. (There are 9.)
- You can apply to 4 CSU campuses with a fee waiver. (There are 23!)
More to tell about yourself…

Educational/Leadership Preparation

- AVID
- Reality Changers
- Link Crew/Leadership
- Cal SOAP programs
- Freedoms Foundation
- Girl’s/Boy’s State
- Leaders of School Clubs
- Academic League
- UCSD Pharmacy Day, etc.

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And lastly…

- Work Experience
- Coursework Other Than “a-g”
  - CCTE experiences
  - JROTC Leadership
  - Vocational/Technical
  - ASB/Link Crew Leadership or Publications

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California Community Colleges

- All applications begin in March 2020
- College Promise – Free tuition for all FAFSA applicants
  - Mesa Ambassador here at Madison will assist you with the process if you want to apply (More information in the spring)
- Madison Counselors will hold community college application workshops beginning in March.
- All Madison students need to Apply for FAFSA.
- SAT and/or ACT are not required, but multiple measures will be evaluated in the spring. English and Math course grades etc.
Lesson #2

Senior grades are important!
Rules to Live By

- Grades earned during the senior year must not fall below your cumulative GPA when you applied in November.
- If you earn a “D” or “F” in any course during the senior year, your admission may be rescinded or revoked. Contact them immediately.
- UC is looking for minimum 3.0 or better* in senior year.
- Dozens of admissions on each campus were revoked this fall, due to D or F in “a-g” subjects that were not reported, when final transcripts arrived from the high schools or for not meeting deadlines.
Full Disclosure

- Grades for courses in grades 9, 10 and 11 must be listed if they fall within the “a-g”
- If a course is repeated, *both the initial and repeated course and grades must be shown.*
- Only the higher grade will be used in the GPA calculation.
- **Omitting the previous grade might jeopardize your admission for some campuses. It doesn’t hurt you, anyway!**
Lesson #3

- Housing applications need to be submitted by the deadline.

- For CSU campuses, housing applications must be submitted at the time a student is accepted, as there is no guaranteed freshman housing on some campuses. If you leave San Diego, you’ll need housing!

- If you know you are leaving the San Diego area, be SURE you secure housing early.
Correct tests must be taken on time.

SAT and ACT Scores must be sent by January 1, 2020

For all CSU’s, there is one code to avoid paying the “sending” cost for multiple campuses – 3594

Log on to Collegeboard.org to see if you sent your latest SAT scores to UC as well as CSU.

If you send your SAT or ACT score to one CSU or one UC it will be available to all.
Check it!

Answer “yes” to the entire series of questions at the end of the UC application.

One of those boxes will release your scores to other campuses, so you only have to pay for one UC score report!

This is information, which can save parents $$$$$$.
SAT I or ACT:

- Impacted CSU’s by November
- UC’s by December
- Register and send scores online
- 052853 (make sure Madison gets your scores!)

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SAT I and ACT: December 7 and 14

♦ SAT
Registration for 12/7 exam is 11/8

♦ ACT
Registration for 12/14 exam is 11/8
Send the scores....

- Check your College Board account to verify where you’ve sent them.
- Be certain you have sent SAT I’s to both CSU (3594) and UC (4836).
- The latest test taken will “trigger” all the scores to be sent.
- Check actstudent.org for ACT scores to be sent if you scored higher on them.
How are scores used?

- UC requires scores from one sitting.
- CSU will “blend” scores from multiple sittings – “super score”
- CSU uses only CR and M.
- UC uses all three – CR, M and Writing
- UC no longer requires 2 Subject Tests.
Lesson #5

- Deadlines must be met!
- Checking a email frequently and responding to requests is critical!
- Make a new professional email if you email is loaded with unsolicited email.
All deadlines must be met.

- November 30 for UC and CSU
- FAFSA by March 2, 2020
- Test Scores sent by January 1, 2020 to be safe.
- May 1 for Intent to Register
- July 15 for final transcript to be sent by registrar, Mrs. Gil. (Naviance must be updated with school of attendance by June 1st.)
Follow up is important!

- You can fall out of the process any time with an insufficient response for more information requested by a university.

- Could be….
  - A transcript
  - A hard copy of income taxes
  - Social Security # verification
  - Registering for orientation or a placement test
  - An error in course titles or an omitted “a-g” requirement, which disqualifies you, such as leaving your senior English class off the course grid. Ouch!

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Set up your accounts…

For SDSU it will be a **RED ID** number, which leads you to a Web Portal account.

- (Use your notepad on your phone to keep track)

Each college has its own student information system called “portals”

Make sure college emails don’t get buried in personal emails!
Check your email!

- Requests do not come by U.S. mail.
- Clear your email inbox of all spam or get a new email for college correspondence.
- Act on requests within a day.
- Use your cell phone notes page for all your contacts and ID’s/Usernames and Passwords at your target colleges.
Don’t be tardy…

“If a student waits until November 30 to apply, I have to really wonder if they’re ready for college.”

CSU Office of the Chancellor
What will the year hold for Warhawk Seniors?

College-Bound Curriculum and Events 2019-2020
UC and CSU Online Workshops

- Application workshop sessions will be offered after school in Room 105 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. except on minimum days (1:10-2:20 p.m).
- Each senior should attend at least 2 sessions, if a UC or CSU application is being sent, unless you are working with Reality Changers.
- No need for sign up, just show up!
  - Reminders will be sent in Remind
- Be Prompt as counselor time is valuable.
College Mentors
Sign up in the counseling office

- **Mesa CC Student Ambassador**
  - Community College Preparation
  - Classroom presentations – sign up

- **Cal SOAP Peer Advisor**
  - Library–Classroom presentations
Consider these resources...
Scholarships?

“Show Me the Money”
- Newsletter Highlighting upcoming Scholarship Opportunities (green flyer)
- Updated by Ms. Francescotti every two months – distributed in English class
- Fastweb.com
- Naviance
  - Scholarship search
  - National Search
  - Scholarship list -local
- Remind Notifications
  - Start early as most scholarship offers end by March!
College Talk....

- Sign up in Counseling office for visiting college reps
- Posted in the bulletin
- Advertised through Remind app
Check U.S. Mail and School Email “Blast”

Stay closely involved with school events and communications that are sent home.

- Remind Text messages
- Autodialer reminders
- Warhawk Whisper
- Halktalk Express Newsletter
- Parent Connect
Visit Campuses

- Every campus has a tour schedule
- Make advance arrangements
- College Videos Online @ https://www.Youniversitytv.com
Hit the road.....

Go to:
- www.californiacolleges.edu
- Cal state apply
  - Explore campuses
- Call ahead to be sure that the campus is open!
- Virtual Tours@youniversitytv.com
The Internet is your friend!

- Explore colleges in Naviance and add them to your “Schools I am applying to” list.
- Check the GPA and SAT/ACT averages of a college in Naviance in “Super Match”
- **Common Application:** Most private schools - Check Naviance and always match your accounts in order to receive transcripts and recommendation letters.

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Will I need recommendations?
Recommendations will be needed! (Private Schools and Scholarships only)

- Brag Sheet must be completed and on file with Counseling
- Minimum of 2-3 weeks in advance.
- Request in person to the teacher:
  - Updated Brag Sheet for College Bound Seniors
  - Yellow post-it with due date
  - Update Naviance with “colleges I am applying to” as all communication will be sent electronically

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Senior Honors

- Counselors and Teachers need your Brag Sheet (yellow) to know you better.
- Particularly community service.
- Those nominated will come from submitted Brag Sheets.
- Complete and turn into Ms. Yesenia by October 30, 2019.

Teachers and Counselors **will not** complete recommendation letters if you do not have a brag sheet on file in the counseling office and without 2 weeks advance notice.

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How do I send a transcript?

• Meet with Mrs. Gil (registrar/main office)
• Provide a yellow transcript request slip (Registrar’s desk)
• If you need to send a non-electronic official transcript, complete a request slip and provide a self addressed stamped envelope to the Registrar.
Your emergency may not be ours...

Careless procrastination will not be rewarded

Stay on top of the flow of paperwork.
You hold the key to success...

- Keep your grades up.
- Take & report all the necessary tests.
- Meet deadlines.
Ready to Rotate?
Let’s Look at the Transcript!
9:05-11:55

Mrs. Balzer – Room 804 - Group 1

Mrs. Fuller – Room 806 – Group 2

Ms. Siracusa – Room 707 – Group 3

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Restroom Break for All!

- Enjoy
- 9:05 - 9:10
- On the patio

**Restroom Break**
- Attend your session by 9:15 am quietly as PSAT testing is in session
- Lead teachers take attendance by rosters provided.

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