



Senior Parent University

Class of 2021

Agenda

- Senior Grad Check Info
- Four Year College Admissions and Community Colleges
- Financial Aid
- Military/Vocational Schools/Trade Schools
- Graduation Information
- Other Important Dates

SENIOR GRAD CHECKS:

Students can
[schedule](#) their
appointments online.

Counselors are
currently meeting
with all seniors
individually to verify:

- Are you on-track to GRADUATE?
- Are you eligible to apply to a 4 YEAR COLLEGE?
- What COLLEGES do you plan to apply to?
- Your intended MAJOR/CAREER plan?
- Necessary ASSESSMENTS (SAT, ASVAB, etc)
- Senior Calendar/Info

Graduation vs. College Requirements

Subject	Graduation Must earn 'D' or better	A-G (UC's and CSU's) Must earn C or better
A – Social Science	30 credits(3 years)	2 years
B – English	40 credits (4 years)	4 years
C – Math	30 credits (3 years)	3 years / 4 recommended
D – Science	20 credits (2 years) 10 biological 10 physical	2 years / 3 recommended 1 biological, 1 physical Must be lab science
E – LOTE Language other than English	<div> <div>10 credits (1 year)</div> <div>OR</div> <div>10 credits (1 year) fine art</div> </div>	2 years / 3 recommended In same language
F – Visual/Performing/ Fine Art		AND 1 year
G – Electives	115 credits Any course above grad requirements counts as elective	1 year college prep elective or another A- F See doorways https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist
Health	5 credits	
PE	20 credits (2 years)	
Total	270 credits	15 classes (year long)

College and Career Center

How to access college and career resources during distance learning

[Career Center website](#)

- updated daily with information regarding college virtual tours, information sessions, scholarships, deadlines, etc.

[LHS weekly announcements](#)

- see College and Career Center News section (updated as new events are scheduled); link also in shortcuts on LHS main page

[College and Career Center Calendar](#)

- updated regularly; these events are also visible on the LHS Calendar on the LHS main page

Counselor Canvas Pages

- each counselor has a Canvas page for each grade level and is posting grade-level specific information for their students. We are also pushing information out to students through these pages (assignments, announcements, etc...)

University of California (UC)	California State Universities (CSU)	Private and Out of State Universities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 Campuses • Completion of A-G • Suggested GPA 3.0 (realistically 3.8 and higher)* • Personal insight questions • Nov 1st-30th • UC Apply 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 23 Campuses • Completion of A-G • Suggested GPA 3.0 • Oct 1st to Nov 30th—Dec 4th • CSU Apply 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many campuses throughout the nation • Cost vary dramatically \$-\$\$\$ • May need SAT/ACT Score • Letter of Recommendations • Applications and deadline vary (Common App, school's own system, etc.)
Cost: approx. \$32,000	Cost: approx. \$26,000	Cost: approx. \$30,000-\$67,000

*GPA requirements will vary based on major and school

Things to consider when deciding on a college:

- Campus size
- Location
- Cost/Tuition
- Distance from home
- Available majors and classes
- Housing options (on campus, off campus)
- Makeup of the student body
- Available extracurricular activities
- Campus atmosphere

Building your college list

Recommend:
Pick 4

***(1) Reach/Dream School**

***(2) Target Schools**

***(1) Safety School**

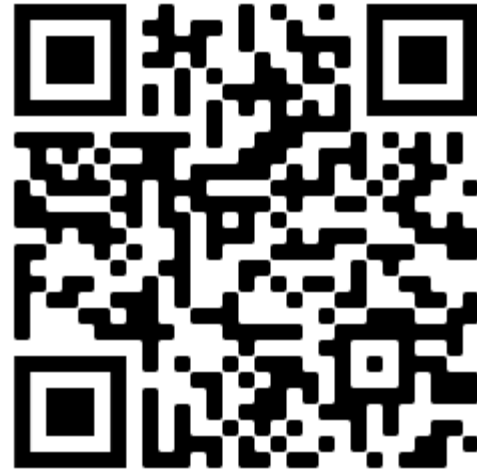
Our local CSU, Cal State East Bay, gives extra points for being “local” and is an excellent choice for safety school

- Ultimately, deciding on how many schools to apply to is a family decision.

College Search Sites

The student's counseling Canvas page has many resources available for searching and exploring colleges.

The [counseling page](#) on Liberty's website is also a good resource. Scan the QR code with your phone's camera to go to that page.



Some Tips:

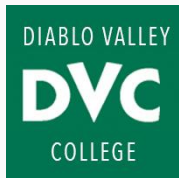
Things your student should be doing if they are planning to attend a 4 year college

- ✓ Sign up for college presentations hosted by the College and Career Center
- ✓ Take advantage of virtual campus tours
- ✓ Narrow your college selection to at least 4 or more schools (don't forget a safety school!)
- ✓ Sign up for NCAA or NAIA Eligibility Center if planning on playing college sports

Community Colleges

- **Tuition: First two years are free, if you complete the required steps**
- Associate's degrees / degrees for transfer
- Multiple ways to transfer to 4 year universities
- Certification programs, trade programs
- LMC will do orientations and enrollment in the spring

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**First Time
Full Time
Free Tuition**

- ✓ **TAKE CHARGE** of my future with the college's help
- ✓ **ATTEND** one of our colleges full-time (at least 12 college units per semester)
 - Apply Now [CCC](#), [DVC](#), [LMC](#)
- ✓ **GET READY** to attend college and do the following:
 - Complete and submit the Free Application for [Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#) or [California Dream Act application](#)
 - Complete an Educational Plan
- ✓ **COMMIT**
 - Complete a minimum of 12 units
 - Maintain a 2.0 grade point average or higher to remain eligible
 - Actively participate in college programs and support services
 - Make steady progress on my education plan

College Communications

- Colleges communicate with students **via email**.
- Almost all set up portals for students to verify status of application, what might be missing, admission status, etc.
- Check email and college “portals” regularly to not miss deadlines and important information!
- Consider an “appropriate” email address and user name

Financial Aid

FAFSA (Free Application for Student Aid)

*or CA Dream Act Application

Open Now <https://fafsa.gov>

- For both 4 year college and community colleges
- Used to qualify for grants, loans, scholarships, and work study

Cal Grant

Local scholarship (application Nov 1st to Jan 11th)

Outside scholarships

*CA Dream Act for non-citizens <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/>



Financial Aid Night

- Thursday, October 22nd at 6:30 pm via zoom
- Zoom link will be on our Liberty web page
- Open to all students and families, but especially important for seniors
- A representative from Los Medanos College's Financial Aid Office is presenting on FAFSA, Cal Grant, and other financial aid information in more detail

Military



***Talk to a recruiter for more information**

***Students must take the ASVAB**

On campus opportunity November 4th at 7:30 am, please [sign-up](#) by Friday, October 23rd.

- Space is limited!



Vocational & Trade Schools

- Community colleges, unions, trade schools
- Entrance exam
- On the job training
- Earn degree or certificates
- Cost vary
- www.calapprenticeship.org

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PAUL MITCHELL



Is your student not sure what they want to do yet?

Don't Worry!

MYTH: “I need to figure out my career right now.”

TRUTH¹: People today change jobs an average of 12 times throughout their career. Reframe “what am I going to do for the rest of my life” to “**what am I going to try first.**”.

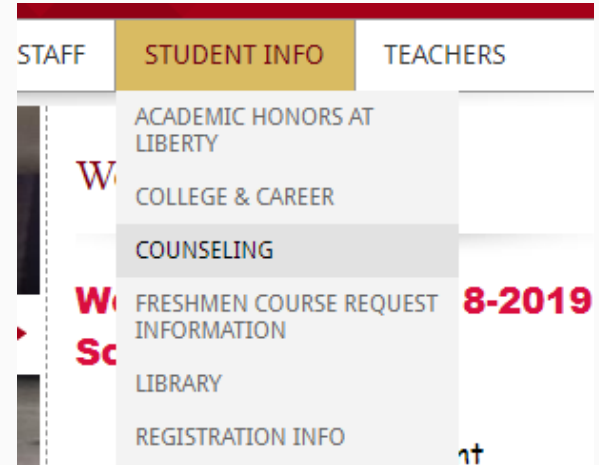
MYTH: “My major will dictate which job opportunities are open to me after graduation.”

TRUTH²: 75% of all college grads don't end up working in a career directly related to their major. Every major has transferable skills and knowledge that will be marketable to employers and there are always ways to gain additional industry skills and knowledge outside of your major

<https://beam.stanford.edu/careertruths>

Liberty High School's Website For More Info

- libertyunion.schoolwires.net/liberty
- Under the “Student Info” tab go to “Counseling”
- On the counseling page to go “College and Career Exploration” on the bottom right side



Graduation Info

- TBD – currently scheduled for June 4th
- Graduation information will come out as soon as available
- [Jostens.com](https://www.jostens.com) for Cap and Gown, more information to come.



Other important dates

- FAFSA (CA Dream Act) deadline March 2nd. APPLY EARLY
- Achievement Night May 12th
- Scholarship Night May 19th

A year of transitions

- Senior year matters for graduation and college
- This can be a stressful time with college admissions and other unknowns
- Big year of changes, a balancing act of support and independence
- Start having those conversations about life after high school, budgeting, self-advocacy, life skills, support systems, plans, goals, etc.

QUESTIONS?

Need help with college & career information?

Unsure about graduation status?

- ✓ Utilize the College and Career Center resources or schedule a meeting with your counselor
- ✓ Anna Perales – peralesa@luhsd.net