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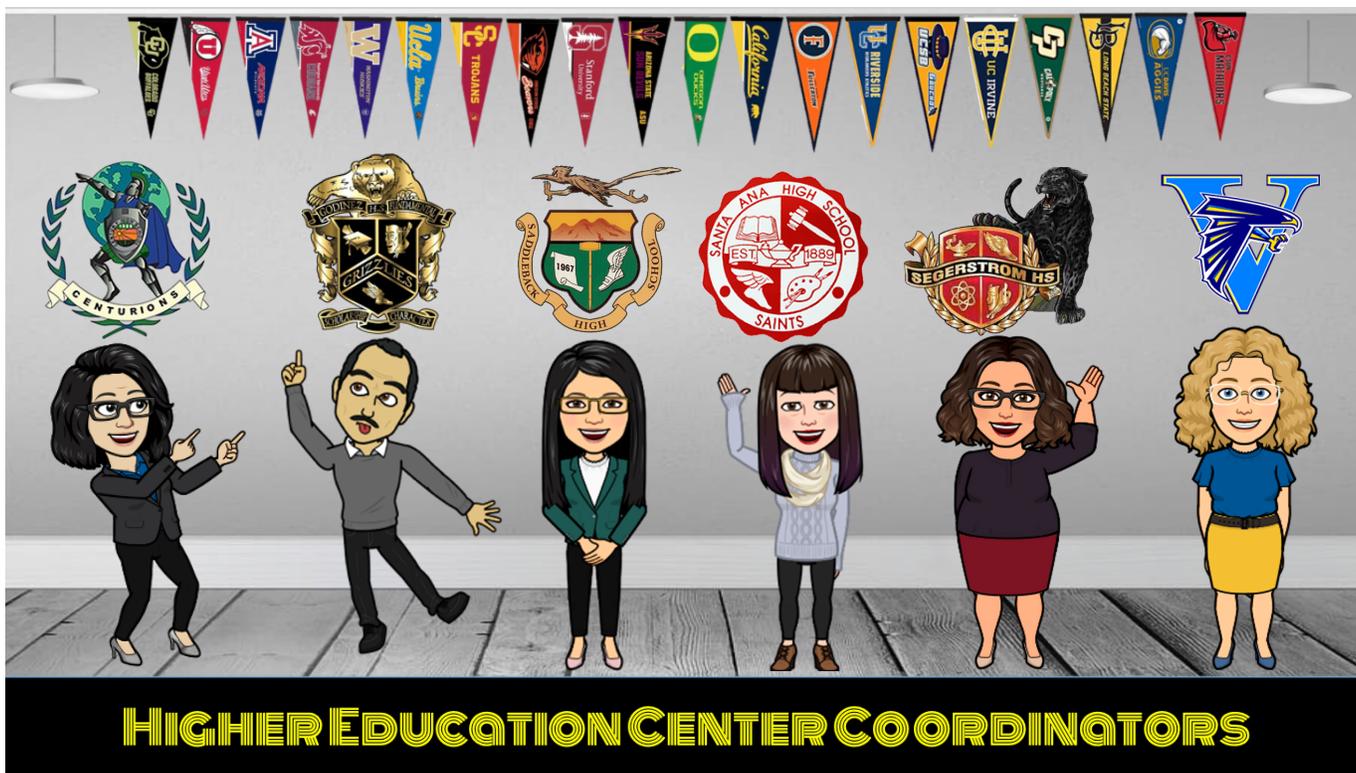
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Hello Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors!

The 2020 - 2021 school year is not starting the way we had all hoped it would. You are continuing your high school journey with distance learning and so are SAUSD educators. We will be learning together and experience challenges together, while also experiencing many moments of success and innovation. Just remember, we are in this together!

School administrators, teachers, and counselors have been working hard to provide you with a smooth transition to the online environment and the tools needed to be successful in the classroom. Office staff is helping keep students and parents informed about latest news at each of our school sites. SAUSD Higher Education Coordinators are working together to bring you some resources to keep you informed and on the path of college and career readiness!

The Higher Education Center is a one-stop information and service center that brings pre-college opportunities and creates experiences that help students prepare for their college and career readiness goals. Stay in contact with your Higher Education Coordinator, and your school counselor, who are there to help you reach your academic and personal goals! ***Click on your Higher Education Coordinator below to connect with your school's virtual Higher Education Center.***



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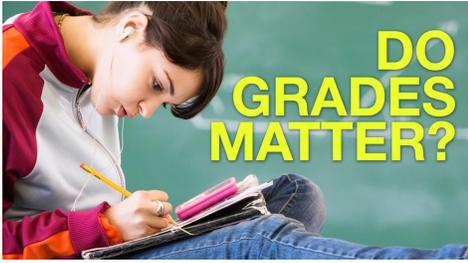
What courses do you need to be eligible to apply to a university?

The A-G Requirements are important for you to attend a university. They are a series of high school courses that will make you minimally eligible to apply to a university. You'll be happy to know that most of the **Santa Ana Unified High School** requirements are aligned with the A-G courses needed to be admitted into a university, but you want to make sure you go the extra mile to be a competitive student, so you can get into the school of your dreams! Students must pass all 15 of the **A-G courses with a grade of C or better** and maintain a grade point average of at least a C, or at some schools a B average or 3.0 grade point average to be eligible. However, you will need to strive to be competitive so you can be admitted into more competitive universities.

| High School Subject Area | UC Requirements for Freshmen Admissions (Example: UC Irvine) | CSU Requirements for Freshmen Admissions (Example: Cal State Fullerton) |
|--|--|---|
| English A | Four years of approved courses. | Four years of approved courses. |
| Mathematics B | Three years, including algebra, geometry, and intermediate algebra. Four years recommended. | Three years, including algebra, intermediate algebra, and geometry. |
| Social Sciences C | Two years of history/social science, including one year of U.S. history or one-half year of U.S. history and one-half year of civics or American government; and one year of world history, cultures, and geography. | Two years, including one year of U.S. history or U.S. history and government and one year of other approved social science. |
| Science D | Two years with lab required, chosen from biology, chemistry, and physics. Three years recommended. | Two years, including one year of biological and one year of physical science with lab. |
| Language Other Than English E | Two years in same language required. Three years recommended. | Two years in same language required. |
| Visual and Performing Arts F | One year of visual and performing arts chosen from the following: dance, drama/theater, music, or visual art. | One year of visual and performing arts chosen from the following: dance, drama/theater, music, or visual art. |
| Elective G | One year of an A-F course beyond minimum required for that subject area. | One year of an A-F course beyond minimum required for that subject area. |
| Minimum Required GPA's | 3.0 GPA | 2.0 GPA (Recommended 2.5 GPA or higher) |

California Department of Education: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/gs/hs/hsgtable.asp>

* Private College admission requirements resemble the A-G course requirements, but admission is at their discretion.



Absolutely grades matter! High School changes your life forever! You have to take care of your grades, because they count towards your high school graduation and admission into the college of your dreams! Success in your classes builds a strong foundation for your future aspirations. One of the most important things that colleges will be reviewing is your grade point average at the high school level. Here is a breakdown of how you can learn to calculate your grade point average:

Grade Point Averages on SAUSD Transcripts

Weighted:
students get 1 extra point for each A, B or C Honors and AP grade

Non-Wgtd:
A = 4 points
B = 3 points
C = 2 points
D = 1 point
E = 0 points

The Importance of your GPA
GPA indicates how hard you have worked, how much you know, and where your strengths and weaknesses lie. Whether you are a still in **high school**, applying for colleges, or looking for work after graduation, **your GPA** will likely affect **your** future prospects.

Example

| | Weighted | Non-Wgtd | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------|--|
| 1- Acad GPA (9-12) | 4.8529 | 3.9706 | <p>Acad GPA (9-12) #1-Includes all classes preceded by the letter "P" for grade 9-12. The "Weighted" GPA s used to determine Class Rank*</p> <p>Acad GPA (10-12) #2-Includes all classes preceded by the letter "P" for grade 10-12. The "Weighted" GPA is used to determine the 10-12 Rank*</p> <p>Total GPA (9-12) #3-Includes all classes listed on the transcript for grades 9-12</p> <p>Cal Grant GPA – not listed on your transcript. Includes Academic grades 10-12 and is used for financial aid.</p> <p>*Class Rank and 10-12 are usually different</p> |
| 2- Acad GPA (10-12) | 4.9167 | 4.0000 | |
| 3- Total GPA (9-12) | 4.7632 | 3.9737 | |
| Credit Attempted: | 190.00 | | |
| Credit Completed: | 190.00 | | |
| Class Size: | 732 | | |
| Class Rank: 1 | 10-12 Rank: 1 | | |
| Ranked by Weighted Academic GPA | | | |

Double click on the link below to Calculate your GPA



Pay close attention to the COURSE TYPE CODES located in front of each class listed on your transcript. "Repeated" courses are NOT included in the SAUSD GPA calculations, but some colleges, however, do include these in their GPA calculations. UC and CSU allow students to use only 8 honors/AP extra points.

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|--------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Course Tags: | * = Non Academic | + = Honors (weighted) | p = College Prep | r = Repeated |
| | Weighted | Non-Wgtd | | |



Six Easy Steps to Distance Learning Success

1. Make sure you have a working chromebook and wi-fi.
2. Find a quiet place to participate in all your classes. Follow your school's schedule and be organized.
3. Be on time to your Zoom or Google Meets.
4. Check daily: Google Classroom or Canvas for assignments.
5. Check your email several times a day.
6. Maintain open communication with teachers and counselors.

[College Board Blog: How to Start Planning for College in 10th Grade](#)

Even though you have just finished one year of high school, graduation really is not far away! It is a good idea to begin thinking and planning for life after earning your diploma. This includes the types of jobs that might interest you, and how to best prepare for those jobs. You can start looking into college and training programs now by using online tools such as [California Colleges](#), [California Career Zone](#), and the [College Board BigFuture](#) websites. Your grades this year will start counting towards college eligibility. Take your classes and grades seriously so you have a variety of options to choose from when you graduate from high school. Here is a list that can help you plan for college:

1. Meet with your high school counselor. Discuss your likes and dislikes, and ideas you have for careers.
2. Create/Revise a four-year high school plan on [California Colleges](#) to make sure you are on track to graduate and are taking the correct classes for college admission.
3. Get involved in school activities. In a virtual setting, you can still join clubs and participate in leadership development. This can include visual and performing arts programs, sports, volunteer organizations, school clubs, and our after school [ASSETs](#) program.
4. Learn about [financial aid](#) for college. It's never too early to put money aside for college. This includes applying for scholarships.
5. Improve your reading, writing, and math skills. Make a conscious effort to read articles, books, blog posts that cause you to think critically. Then write responses to what you have read in a journal, or just write creatively in a journal (this could be a digital journal!). Practicing these skills will help you become more confident in your interactions with others. Following the steps in solving a math problem can train your thinking to reflect, draw upon what you already know, and apply it to new situations. Thus, math skills can help you learn how to problem solve in real life situations.

[College Board Blog: How to Start Planning for College in 11th Grade](#)



With the end in sight, you will want to make a concerted effort to focus on your college and career readiness this year. You can look into college and career training programs by using online tools such as [California Colleges](#), [California Career Zone](#), and the [College Board BigFuture](#) websites. We recommend that you continue to work to be college eligible so you have a variety of options to choose from when you graduate from high school. Letter grades from your 10th & 11th coursework will be used on your college applications. Here is a list that can help you plan for college:



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| Type | Where can you use it? | Requirements | What does it pay for? |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Cal Grant A | 4-year college | 3.0 GPA, low to middle income | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSU fees...\$5,742 • UC fees...\$12,630 • Up to \$9,084 for private colleges. |
| Cal Grant B | CCC or 4-year college | 2.0 GPA, low income | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1,672 for the 1st year • \$1,672 ± fees for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th years |
| Cal Grant C | CCC or vocational school | No required GPA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1,094 at a CCC • Up to \$2,462 at for-profit trade schools |





It's your senior year and preparing for college applications kicks into high gear! There's a lot to do but rest assured that your Higher Education Coordinator and Counseling Department will be working with you, every step of the way. Distance learning is going to have its challenges, but it is also an opportunity to step outside of our comfort zone and be innovative. It's also good practice for what the real world will be like once you graduate high school. You will need to take initiative to make things happen for you in college and career. Here are some links and updates to help you navigate the process.

COVID-19 Updates

Most colleges/universities have tabled the SAT/ACT exam requirement for the Fall 2021 application cycle due to the Covid-19 pandemic. If you are thinking about taking the SAT/ACT exams, it shows you are serious about your college applications and have questions about how this will affect your college admissions. The Higher Ed/Counseling teams want you to know that your grades, school involvement, and also your involvement in the community will be used to help you stand out during the admission process. YOU WILL NOT BE PENALIZED for a lack of SAT/ACT scores. You will really want to put the time into your essays and other parts of the application to make sure they see how great you are. And again, do not feel like your application will not be strong if you are not able to get scores. If you are considering taking the exam, please look through the updates from each of the campus systems provided here to see their stance on how they are approaching testing for the fall 2021 application cycle. System specific information can be found at the following images and links:



[SAT - Registration](#)

[ACT - Registration](#)

[ACT General Info](#)



NACAC has created a tool to track college admissions updates from campuses across the country. The tool allows you to click on SAT/ACT exam requirements and then select whether the exam will/will not be required.

SAUSD Seniors, if you choose to take the SAT or ACT exam, you might have to drive a greater distance to get to a test center AND, it is uncertain if test centers in California will be open based on CDC guidelines. **We recommend that you discuss this with your parents before you sign up so that it is a family decision.**

[SENIOR YEAR CALENDAR](#)

It's important that you join the HEC Google Classroom or Remind, check your email regularly, and follow through on requests.

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Have a great year!

TECH SUPPORT

If you have issues with your chromebook or need a hot-spot for wifi-access, contact your school Library for assistance.



Santa Ana Unified School District Meal Service Times Fall 2020

| School | Start | End | School | Start | End |
|--------------------|-------|-------|------------------|-------|-------|
| Adams | 10:00 | 1:00 | Lowell | 11:30 | 1:15 |
| ALA-1 (1st street) | 11:00 | 12:45 | MacArthur | 10:00 | 1:00 |
| ALA-2 (4th street) | 11:30 | 1:30 | Madison | 11:30 | 1:15 |
| Carr | 11:15 | 1:15 | Martin | 11:00 | 1:00 |
| Carver | 10:30 | 1:00 | McFadden | 11:30 | 1:30 |
| Century | 11:50 | 12:40 | Méndez | 10:30 | 12:30 |
| Chávez | 11:45 | 1:15 | Mitchell | 10:30 | 1:00 |
| Davis | 11:00 | 1:00 | Monroe | 11:30 | 1:15 |
| Diamond | 10:30 | 1:00 | Monte Vista | 10:30 | 1:00 |
| Edison | 11:30 | 1:00 | Muir | 10:30 | 12:30 |
| Esqueda | 10:30 | 1:30 | Pio Pico | 11:30 | 1:15 |
| Franklin | 11:30 | 1:15 | Reach | 11:00 | 1:00 |
| Fremont | 10:30 | 12:30 | Romero-Cruz | 12:00 | 1:30 |
| Garfield @ Walker | 10:30 | 12:30 | Roosevelt-Walker | 11:00 | 2:00 |
| Godínez | 10:30 | 1:00 | Saddleback | 11:30 | 1:30 |
| Greenville | 10:00 | 1:00 | Santa Ana HS | 11:30 | 1:30 |
| Griset | 11:00 | 1:30 | Santiago | 11:30 | 1:30 |
| Harvey | 10:00 | 1:00 | Segerstrom | 11:00 | 1:30 |
| Heninger | 11:30 | 1:15 | Sepúlveda | 11:30 | 1:15 |
| Héroes | 10:30 | 12:30 | Sierra | 10:30 | 12:30 |
| Hoover | 10:30 | 1:30 | Taft | 10:00 | 1:00 |
| Jackson | 11:00 | 1:15 | Thorpe | 10:00 | 1:00 |
| Jefferson | 10:00 | 1:00 | Valley | 11:00 | 1:30 |
| Kennedy | 10:30 | 12:30 | Villa | 10:30 | 12:30 |
| King | 10:45 | 1:15 | Washington | 11:00 | 1:00 |
| Lathrop | 11:30 | 2:00 | Willard | 11:30 | 1:30 |
| Lincoln | 10:00 | 1:30 | Wilson | 10:00 | 1:00 |



SAUSD FACE
Community Resource Support Line



NEED RESOURCES NOT SURE WHO TO CALL

Monday - Friday, 8:00AM to 4:00pm

Call **(714) 558-5677**

Santa Ana Unified School District where student and families health and safety are priority. We have friendly staff ready to connect you.



- Food Resources
- Housing
- Shelter
- Medi-Cal
- Financial
- Legal
- Employment
- Education

We can help navigate resources and provide guidance on the following resources to local partners and community agencies.

<https://www.sausd.us/covid19resources>



SAUSD COMMUNITY RESOURCES



SAUSD Helpline

(714) 558-5800