# WELCOME CLASS OF 2024

















### AGENDA

- Senior Year Information
  - Beginning of the year
  - What's on a transcript
  - Graduation Requirement
  - Credit Recovery/Grade Replacement
  - Dual Enrollment
  - Post-High School Options
  - When to apply/FAFSA
  - Resume and Letter of Rec
  - Important Dates

## BEGINNING OF THE YEAR

- Credit check over summer
- Grade replacement credit deficiency
- Deficiency letters within the month
- Create <u>www.parchment.com</u> account to order official transcripts

### WHAT'S ON A TRANSCRIPT?

- Demographic Information
- 9<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> (correct school(s), classes, grades, & credits)
- 11<sup>th</sup> grade summer school grades and credit
- Transfer student
- Term GPA vs. Cumulative GPA – Weighted/Unweighted
- Term credits vs. Cumulative credit (should be @ least 18)

- Letter grade versus Pass/Fail
- Failed, Incomplete, Repeated courses
- 11<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> EVIT credit
- 12<sup>th</sup> CO-OP credit
- GPA: Unweighted and Weighted
- Class Rank

Official Transcript <u>www.Parchment.com</u>

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENT CLASS OF 2024

CURRICULUM AREA	CUSD CREDITS	IN-STATE UNIVERSITY CREDITS				
English	4	4				
Math	4	4				
Laboratory Science	3	3				
Social Studies	3	2				
Career & Technical Edu/Fine Arts	1	1				
World Language	0	2 (Two years of same language)				
Physical Education	1	0				
Comprehensive Health	.50	0				
Required Courses	16.5	16				
Elective Courses	5.5	0				
TOTAL REQUIRED CREDITS	22 CREDITS	16 Credits				
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### CREDIT RECOVERY/ GRADE REPLACEMENT

- Plan should be in place SOON
- In schedule (including zero hour)
- Lift Lab
- Chandler Online Academy
- NCAA Athletes Make appointment with Fred Mann
- Communicate with your Counselor



### LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

- Required for many universities and scholarships
- Follow the Process
- Forms in Counseling, Career Center & on-line
- Appointment with the counselor is recommended
- **Proactive** (some programs require letters before fall break e.g. Common App, Quest Bridge, Flinn, Military Academy Teacher input)
- What makes student stand apart
- Track your request
- Allow your recommender 2 weeks to complete the letter (Letters will not be written over breaks or holidays and does not count as the two-week notice.)

## MY ROLE

#### Student's

Plan
Research
<u>COMMUNICATE</u>
Use resources
Time Management
Be Action Oriented
Ask for help



#### Parent's

- Communicate
- Support
- ► <u>ENCOURAGE</u>
- Engage

#### Counselor's

- GuideSUPPORT
- ► Encourage
- ► Letters of Recs
- Counselor Reports
- Communicate





# CAREER CENTER

### HTTPS://WWW.CUSD80.COM/DOMAIN/3285





College | Trade | Military | Gap Year | Work | Humanitarian/Mission Work | More

## COLLEGE OPTIONS

#### Universities

- Public and private universities
- Each location is unique
- In-state offers affordable tuition and competitive merit aid
  - Closer to home, family/friends support, and comfort
- Out-of-State offers more variety of colleges, sizes, and environments, as well as competitive merit aid
  - Builds independence, meet new people, and gain new experiences
  - More options: faith based, engineering based, fashion, small, large, etc
  - Variety of housing and commuting options (varies by college, if available)

#### **Community/Junior Colleges**

- Local and nationwide options
- Affordable
- Some offer on-campus housing
- Some offer bridge
   programs right into the
   universities (i.e. CCC to NAU)
- Open to all students and many do not require ACT or SAT to be admitted
- Scholarships, merit aid, and grants available

#### Trade/Technical Colleges

- Vary is size, cost, program length/availability, and location
- Often private
- Many are financial aid/FAFSA eligible
- Some offer housing
- Tuition partnerships with employers (program specific)

Be sure to research, Research, RESEARCH your schools! The right fit is important for your success.

## THINGS TO KNOW ...

Admissions now **OPEN** for

- ASU, GCU, NAU & UA
  - ✓ Apply Now
  - ✓ Self-Report \*
  - ✓ Honors applications separate
  - Each school application applies to admission and merit scholarship
  - ✓ ACT or SAT not needed, but may increase amount considered for merit scholarships

#### WHAT IS "CORE" GPA?

Core GPA is comprised of the grade points associated with your <u>core</u> classes. These core classes are reviewed for admissions, scholarships, and placement into most universities. Core GPA is **not** on your transcript. \*English \*Math \*Social Studies \*Lab Sciences \*World Languages \*Fine Art or CTE

#### How do you calculate your "Core" GPA?

Visit: cusd80.com/phscareercenter and on the right side, under "Quick Links" click GPA Calculator.

# WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE

- The Western Undergraduate Exchange is a program of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE).
- Students in western states may enroll in more than 140 two-year and fouryear college in WUE schools/programs at a reduced tuition level
- > Apply through the school, some schools require additional WUE app.
- Several School in the following states participate:

Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.



### MILITARY CAREERS & GAP YEARS



- Career options through each service branch
- Military representatives scheduled in cafeteria:
  - Army & National Guard Tuesdays
  - Marines & Navy Thursdays
- Both students and parents need to be involved in the process



- Explore careers, humanitarian/mission service, travel, caring for others, etc.
- Potential benefits: network, exposure, improve skills, mature, and gain experience
- Gain and add experiences to resume

## TESTING



- Universities ACT/SAT
  - Test scores may be sent up to 4 colleges at no charge - this must be chosen and entered at the time of registration (more than 4 or after you take the tests, it is \$12 each)
  - Select schools require SAT/ACT written or subject tests
  - <u>Many schools do not require ACT or</u> <u>SAT for admissions, but may increase</u> <u>amount for merit scholarships</u>
  - You can take the test more than once.

### WHAT & WHEN TO APPLY

#### COLLEGE

- Admission applications open in July, August and September
- Honors typically requires additional application
- Request letters of recs, draft resumes, personal statements early
- Track deadlines
  - Early action/Early decision, or regular
- Have an in-state backup plan



#### SCHOLARSHIPS

- Merit
- Donor/Private
- Financial Need
- Apply often

#### FINANCIAL AID

- Open December 1
- Apply and verify/validate with selected schools by deadlines
- Annual renewal required
- Application assistance through colleges/universities are FREE
  - ► CUSD

Parent/Student District College Fair Night is September 20, 6:00 PM - 8 PM @ Hamilton High School

### RESOURCES

#### SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES

- Apply to colleges early to be considered for merit scholarships
- Honors colleges may have additional scholarships
- Common Scholarship Databases:
  - Fastweb.com
  - Scholarship.com
  - Specific colleges of study for alumni and foundation scholarships
  - Chandler Education Foundation
  - Going Merry
  - Scholly App

Visit the College and Career Center website often and schedule an appointment with Mrs. Kwong, Career Center Specialist

https://www.cusd80.com/Domain/3285

## MAKE IT COUNT!



#### Senioritis is REAL

- MAINTAIN Attendance
- MAINTAIN performance
- GET/REMAIN active and involved
- Have a PLAN
- TIME MANAGEMENT is extremely important this year. Students need to make time to research their post high school options and scholarships this fall!

### SOME PEOPLE WANT IT TO HAPPEN, Some Wish It Would Happen, others Make It Happen. Michael Jordan

#### TIPS/SUGGESTIONS:

- Visit colleges now through fall break
- Need an official transcript, create account on <u>www.Parchment.com</u>
- Continue to apply for admissions and scholarships
- Decision making is a process, it's okay to ask for guidance





- Meet with your counselors to ensure you are on track with your plans
- Visit F219 to plan out your future
- Don't be a victim of Senioritis Keep up your grades
- Continue to visit colleges
- Take your standardized tests ACT/SAT's
- Draft resume & essays
- Ask for letters of recommendation Give at least a 4 weeks notice
- Complete college applications Due November for Early Acceptance
- Complete FAFSA (Dec 1<sup>st</sup>) & Scholarship Applications (Ongoing)
- <u>studentaid.gov</u> apply for ID# needed to apply

#### Senior College Bound Timeline

2023 Jun	Visit Colleges & Universitiies Develop list of college you want to apply to Research/apply for private scholarships	2023 Jul	Research pre- college/intern programs State School app opens 7/1 Work on Brag Sheet Finalize school	2023 Aug	Common App opens 8/1 - Apply, focus on quality essays! Request Teacher Recommendations Take or retake ACT/SAT
2023 Sep	Apply for more scholarships Attend CUSD College Fair @ Hamilton High Finish applying to yo finalized school list	2023 Oct	Clean up social media accounts Attend Perry College Week Events Apply for more scholarships	2023 Nov	Apply for more scholarships Apply to pre- college/intern programs Create FAFSA ID's, gather documents
2023 Dec	FAFSA app opens - Apply! Confirm all schools have rec'd transcripts, scores, financial aid applications & recommendations	<mark>2024</mark> Jan	Evaluate college acceptance and financial awards Apply for more scholarships	2024 Feb	Apply for more scholarships Finish applying to your finalized school list
<mark>2024</mark> Mar	Apply for more scholarships If ready, accept college acceptance, submit deposits and housing	<mark>2024</mark> Apr	If ready, accept college acceptance, submit deposits and housing Complete Perry Senior Exit Survey	<mark>2024</mark> May	College Decision Day - May 1st

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- CUSD District Wide College Fair Sept 20<sup>th</sup> @ Hamilton High 6-8 pm
- In State College Visitors
  - Aug 9 UofA table in Perry café, lunch
  - Aug 10 ASU in Career Center F219, conference
  - Aug 16 GCU in Career Center F219, conference
  - Aug 30 NAU in Career Center F219, conference
  - Sept 14 UofA in Career Center F219, conference
- Perry High College Week Oct 23-27<sup>th</sup>
  - Campus visits by colleges & military
  - Daily Morning Announcement Fun College Facts
  - Daily dress up in "Theme of the Day" each day, students choose a VSCO sticker
    - Monday In State University Gear ASU, UofA, GCU, NAU
    - Tuesday Dress for Success Day Dress to impress in future career or as you would for an interview!
    - Wednesday Out of State University Gear Any Out of State College Apparel
    - Thursday Study Abroad Wear clothes, colors or flag of another country
  - Thursday Door Decorating Contest Top 3 winning classrooms gets BOSA!
- ASVAB test in Perry auditorium Sept 13, 2023 Looking for a major? Determine your strengths & interests!



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#### Register to get your passes to attend these events!

#### August 9

9:15 am - 9:45 am \$180K NROTC Scholarship Opportunity - F219\*\*

#### 10:30 am - 12:20 pm

University of Arizona (UofA) Info Table - Perry Cafeteria

#### August 10

9:15 am - 9:45 am Arizona State University (ASU) Admissions 101 -F219\*\*

#### August 16

#### 9:15 am - 9:45 am

Grand Canyon University (GCU) Admissions 101 - F219\*\*

#### August 17

#### 9:15 am - 9:45 am

\$250K McDermott Scholarship Opportunity -University of Texas @ Dallas - F219<sup>\*\*</sup>

#### August 30

#### 9:15 am - 9:45 am Northern Arizona University (NAU) Admissions 101 in F219\*\*

#### September 12



7:00 am - 8:00 am Brigham Young Universi

Brigham Young University (BYU) Admissions 101 - F219<sup>\*\*</sup>

#### September 13

#### 8:00 am - 11:00 am

ASVAB Career Exploratory Program Assessment - Perry Auditorium

#### September 14

#### 9:15 am - 9:45 am

University of Arizona (UofA) Admissions 101-F219\*\*

#### September 20

#### 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

CUSD College Fair @ Hamilton High

October 23 College Week @ Perry High!