COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER NEWS – October 2019

Important Dates and Events for All Students

FAFSA opens October 1^{st.} File early to determine your EFC estimated family contribution to college.

CSS opens October 1st. This is for financial aid from private colleges. Early Decision & Early Action applicants. https://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile

Oct 6 SAT Test: Registration deadlines: Regular-Sept 7, Late-Sept. 26 (Impt. for seniors)
Nov 3 Regular-Oct 5, Late-Oct 24 (Impt. for seniors)

Register on-line for: SAT - https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register

Oct 27 ACT Test: Registration deadline: Regular-Sept 28, Late-Oct 14 (Impt. for seniors)

Register on-line for: ACT - www.actstudent.org

Seniors

• All Seniors - please keep checking the Counselor's website under "College Application Process" regarding applying to Private & Out-of-State Colleges, CSU's and UC's.

For Early Decision Applicants, it is recommended you file the CSS Profile in October

- Oct 1 California State University applications open. Use your CSU Mentor or CaliforniaCollege.edu account info to populate your application.
- Oct 18 Senior Meet & Greet. Seniors applying to Private & Out of State Colleges: Deadlines Dec 2 and later. Flex Room (A-Wing) during Lunch. Bring your completed Senior Profile to facilitate the Common App process. See the counselor's flyer for more info.
- Oct 22 **FAFSA Workshop** Come learn about how to file the FAFSA and apply for Cal/Grant. Financial Advisor will be on hand to answers additional questions. At the Library at 6 PM
- Nov 5 **Seniors:** Are you applying to CSU East Bay? Would you like to know right away if your application has been accepted? CSU East Bay will be on campus on Tuesday, Nov 5th, to make it happen. Please contact Mrs. Castillou to sign up for a time to meet with our rep for 10 minutes.
- TBA **UC Personal Insight Questions Presentation**: Learn more about the new prompts from a UC Berkeley Admissions Representative. At C-120 during Lunch

Many college admission representatives visit the MSJ College & Career Center during the fall. Check the student bulletin often for newly scheduled visits. Or stop by the College & Career Center to see the list.

Oct/Nov is the time for **college preview days**. Check college websites to find dates to visit your campus choices.

Juniors

PSAT- Wed, Oct 16. College bound Juniors should plan to take this test if practicing for the SAT. Test scores are compared to all 11th grade students across the nation. For Juniors, it is also the qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship Competition. **Juniors may register online.**

Sophomores

PSAT – Wed, Oct 16. Available to all MSJHS Sophomores this year, the PSAT is designed to offer practice for the SAT. **Sophomores may register online**.

Freshmen

- Freshmen Orientation October 14 22 Freshmen will visit the College & Career Center to become familiar with the information available to them during their 4 years at MSJHS. An interest survey will be given to the students
 - to begin their career search process. The week prior, students met their counselors in the Flex Room where they began discussing graduation & college requirements. Welcome class of 2023!
- Mission Valley ROP Career and Technical Education Center Back to School Night will be held on Thursday, October 10th at 6:00 PM at the ROP Center. This is a great opportunity for parents and students to tour this modern facility and learn more about the many programs offered through MVROP. Instructors will be present.