SENIORS: College Admissions Pro-tips & Etiquette:

- Never Check your Admissions Status at School!! This is private & you don't want to get bad news in a crowd. Trust me!
- Be Sensitive! Not everyone is getting good news. Be aware of how much you are talking and posting about your successes. Be a good friend.
- Don't Ask "Did you get in?" People will share when they are ready. DO NOT post about your friends! That is their news to share.
- Say "Yes" to the waitlist! You never know what will happen so always keep your options open.
- Everyone Ends up where they are suppose to.

HUZZAH HORNETS!!

Laney College Summer Institute: a great career exploration opportunity for high schoolers. Dates for this summer June 20th - July 31st. For more information on course offerings: https://laney.edu/summer/

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Community College Enrollment

Community Colleges will begin accepting Summer & Fall 2023 enrollment later this month. Currently, they have not updated their Summer and Fall 2023 course offering. I am in contact with COA Outreach and will email all seniors when enrollment opens.

I will offer "help sessions" for seniors once the 2023 enrollment is ready.

What do you need to enroll in Community College?

- SS# or green card #
- Transcript is helpful
- Submitted your FAFSA (this is required for the Alameda Promise grant.

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- College Decisions: you have until May 1st to commit (i.e., SIR Statement of Intent to Register). If you received a "D" in one of your academic classes this fall, you need to reach out to the schools you were accepted and tell them. Get ahead of this, don't hide it. Email me for help
- Say "Yes" to the waitlist. You never know how things will work out. We had a lot of movement off the waitlist last year. Say "No" to schools you aren't going to attend, your classmates on the waitlist at those schools will be happy.
- One tool for comparing Financial Aid offers: Look for the "Fin Aid Shopping Sheet" (all schools will have a link to their shopping sheet on your FinAid page)
- Appealing Financial Aid You will need to reach out to FinAid offices where you've been were accepted.

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Upcoming Events:

Thursday, March 9th during Smart: <u>West Point</u> Cadet Max Onaga will talk about his experience as a junior West Point Cadet. He is from Alameda. Sign up in SCOIR if you would like to attend the visit. Smart Pass from Ms. Gwen

For JUNIORS who are thinking about applying to a selective admissions school, this is webinar would be helpful. <u>Junior Jumpstart</u> - The college search is already challenging for students and families. So Amherst, Bowdoin, Carleton, Pomona, Swarthmore, and Williams are putting our own rivalries aside, and hosting a series of virtual events for students, families, and counselors. **March 14th 8:00 pm (Eastern Standard Time)**

Sophomores & Juniors: Interested in taking a Practice SAT or ACT? Revolution Prep is offering two virtual practice exams this month

SAT Practice exam: March 18th 9-1:00pm online \$10 ACT Practice exam: March 25th 9-1:00pm online \$10

Register for one or both of these practice exams **HERE**

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<u>Athletic recruitment timeline – for Sophomores and Juniors article</u>

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