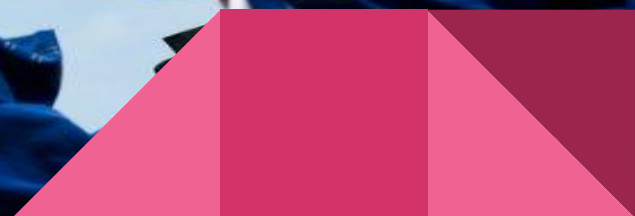


What Junior Parents Need to Know

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Class of 2019 The 4 Year Plan



“College is a match to be made not a prize to be won.” Sachs

Some books you may enjoy ...

[Colleges that Change Lives](#)

[Where you Go is Not Who You'll Be](#)

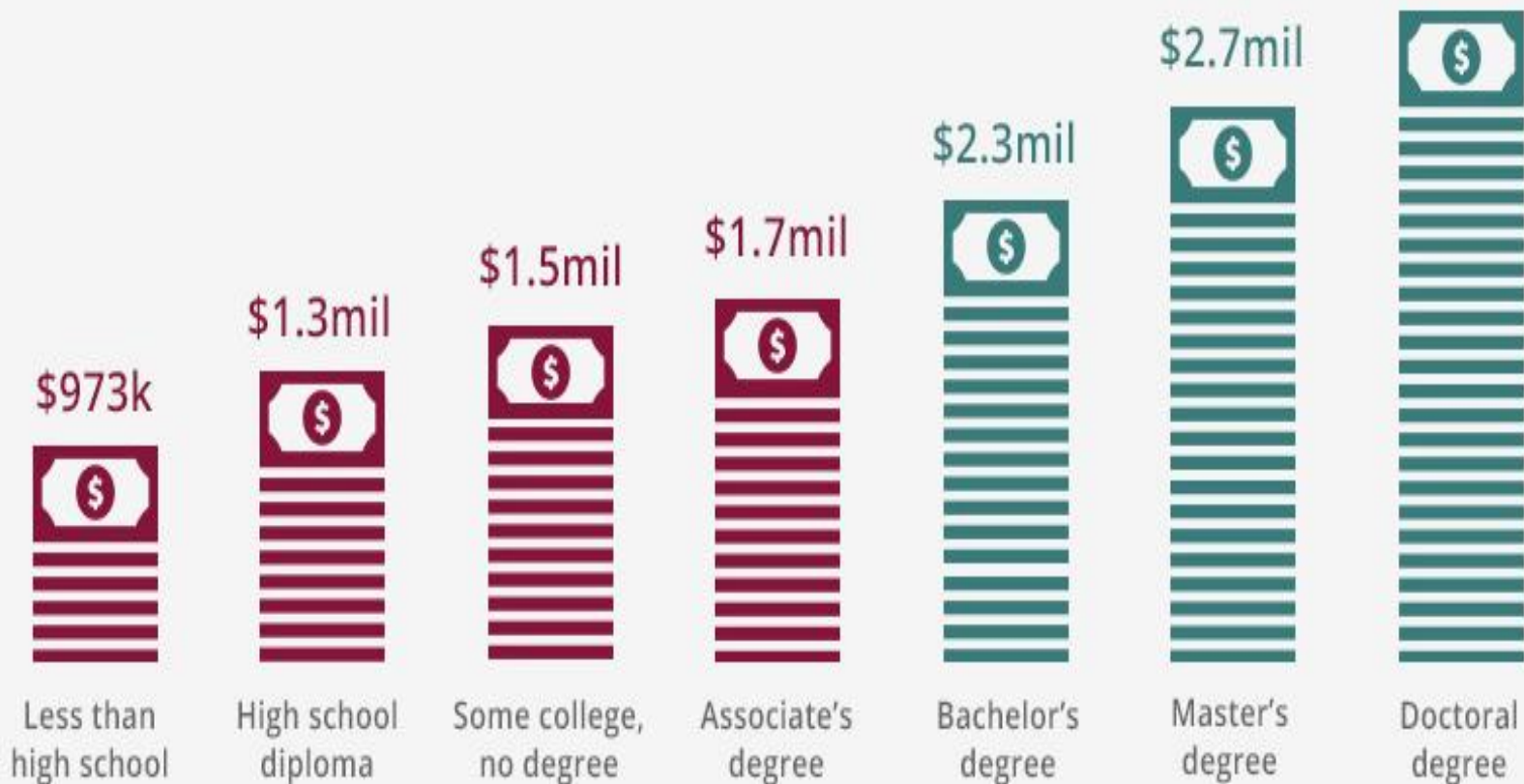
[The Naked Roommate: For Parents Only: A Parent's Guide to the New College Experience: Calling, Not Calling, Packing, Preparing, Problems, Roommates, ... Matters when Your Child Goes to College](#)

[Letting Go: A Parents' Guide to Understanding the College Years](#)



More education leads to greater lifetime earnings

\$3.3mil



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You have curiosity.

EXPLORE IT.

You have purpose.

BECOME IT.

You have potential.

EXCEED IT.

WHAT'S THE PLAN?

Tools for College and Career Exploration ...

Career Cruising -- NJUHSD

[California Colleges](#)

[My Big Future -- College Board](#)

[Colleges that Change Lives](#)

[The Common Application - Exploring Campuses](#)

[Sierra College -- Academic Enrichment](#)

[Start Class](#)

[Who do you want 2B -- 15 career pathways](#)

[California Career Zone -- Apprenticeships](#)

[YouVisit](#)

California Community College System

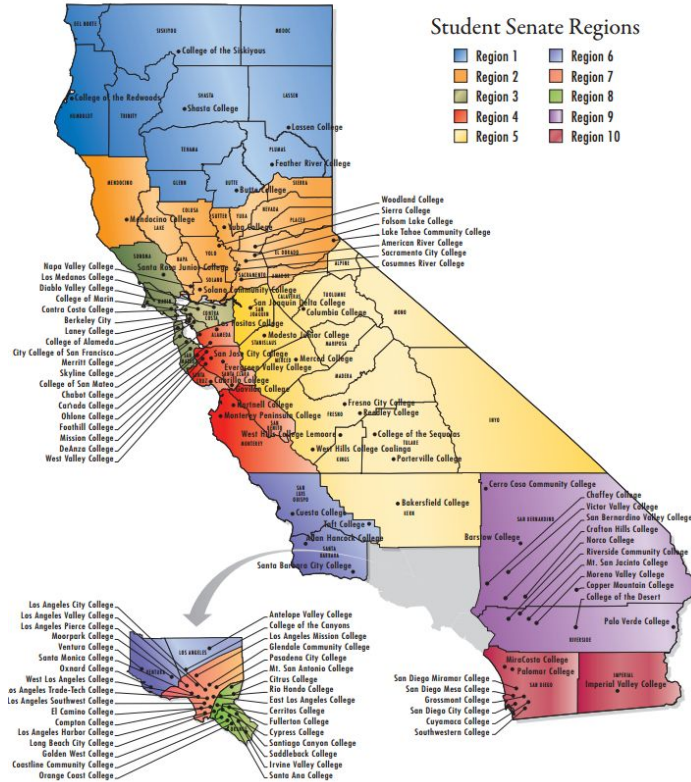
114 Campuses

CCCApply

A Degree with a Guarantee


TAG agreement

Career Technical Education



4 year universities and the A-G

The University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) require entering freshmen to complete certain courses in high school. Complete a minimum of 15 college-preparatory courses (a-g courses), with at least 11 finished prior to the beginning of your senior year.

- a. History/Social Science (2 years)
 - b. English (4 years)
 - c. Mathematics (3 years, UC recommends 4)
 - d. Laboratory Science (2 years, UC recommends 3)
 - e. Language Other than English (2 years, UC recommends 3)
 - f. Visual/Performing Arts (1 year)
 - g. College Preparatory Elective (1 year)
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College Testing

PSAT - NU --October 11, 2017

BR -- October 11, 2017

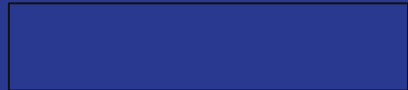
Ghidotti/NPA -- October 25, 2017

results back in mid December, link to KHAN Academy for free individualized test prep

SAT - May 5 or June 2, 2018 retake 1X Aug or Oct 2018

NJUHS D SAT prep class, one Saturday 8-Noon March 2018 date TBD

ACT- April 14, June 9, or July 14. 2018 retake 1X Fall 2018



University of California - August 1, 2018

California State University - October 1, 2018

Common Application - Summer 2018

Direct Application -- Varies



College List – Junior year approx 12 average
Senior Fall 7-9 average. “Four or more”
Reach, Target, Safe

University of California

9 campuses, ranked one of the best systems in the world

Application opens August 1, 2018

14 criteria Holistic Comprehensive Review

Including essay, leadership, test scores, grades, quality of program, talents, A-G courses, GPA (Typical GPA for entrance 3.0 but 3.5 more realistic)

Due end of November 2018

Option: TAG with Sierra College



California State University

23 Campuses

October 1, 2018 CSU Mentor

Campus Preview Days

3 criteria -- GPA, Test Scores, A-G

3.0 GPA or higher

Option: A Degree with a guarantee with Sierra College



The Common Application

[Nearly 700 colleges one application](#)

Summer 2017

3 letter of recommendation (2 teachers 1 counselor)

[Virtual counseling assistance](#)



Most financial Aid is based on parents' income, but also Merit based

District Scholarships gave over \$800,000 last year

File FAFSA in October 2018, tax year 2017 for 2019-2020 college freshmen

FAFSA4Caster

Cal Grants are stable – soph & junior GPA -- state unweighted

Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

AP tests, Sierra College Courses

UC - Blue and Gold

NJUHSD Financial Aid night 10/3/2017 @ 6PM

Cash for College event -- Sr. year additional \$ assistance
With FAFSA completion.





Student Athletes!

Students planning on playing Division I or II sports in college should register with the NCAA at their Eligibility Center.

Juniors should sign a transcript release form and submit to our registrar

[HTTP://WEB3.NCAA.ORG](http://web3.ncaa.org)

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We're here to help ...

College Rep visits

College Week Live

Guidance Counselor

Start Early, Be Organized, Help with planning- timelines, Have the money talk

Remember you act as the travel agent but it is your child's journey





**DON'T CALL
IT A DREAM**

**CALL IT A
PLAN**