Tonight's Agenda

Prayer for the Tinker Bells

Overview of College Applications

Standardized Testing

Options for Applying

Admissions Outcomes

Letters of Recommendation and Transcripts

Paying for College / FAFSA

Q&A

Your Daughter's Counselor:

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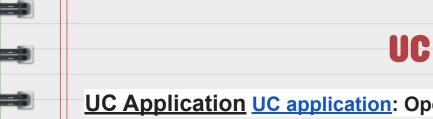　　Interim: Ms. Austin Gup - K
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Your Daughter's College Advisor:

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UC

UC Application [UC application](): **Opens August 1, can submit October 1 through November 30**

- **Requires 4 350-word Personal Insight Questions**
- **No letters of recommendation required or allowed**
- **No transcript required**
- **$80 application fee per campus (fee waiver embedded in application)**

One application for all UC campuses: UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Irvine, UCLA, UC Merced, UC Riverside, UC San Diego, UC Santa Barbara, UC Santa Cruz.

CSU

California State University Application: Opens October 1 due by November 30

- **No essay or Personal Insight Questions**
- **No letters of recommendation required or allowed**
- **No transcript required**
- **$70 application fee per campus (fee waiver embedded in application)**

One application for all 23 California State University campuses: Sacramento State, Sonoma State, San Diego State, Cal State Monterey Bay, etc. You complete the work once and submit separately to each campus. (no link provided because sometimes students accidentally complete last year's application prior to October 1, and then they have to start over again, so it's best to wait until October 1 to send you the link)

The Common Application

Common Application [Apply to college with Common App | Your future starts here](#):

Opened August 1; most deadlines will be early January unless students decide to apply Early Action or Early Decision, which might have October 15, November 1 or November 15 deadlines (requests for recommendations due ==September 18== for early applications)

- **Most colleges require 650-word essay (use the same essay for all colleges)**
- **Many colleges have additional supplemental questions, short answers, essays**
- **2 letters of recommendation for most colleges (1 counselor & 1 teacher)**
- **Transcript submitted by College Advisor via the School Report**
- **Application fees range from $0 to $100 (fee waiver request in application)**

This is the application students will use for most private colleges and universities as well as some out-of-state public schools like Arizona State and University of Arizona as well as Oregon State and University of Oregon, and University of Washington.

Institutional Applications

- **Available on college's website**
- **Requirements for essays, transcripts, letters of recommendation vary**
- **Application fees and deadlines vary**
- **Transcripts typically sent through U.S. mail**

California Community College

- **Admission Requirement: High School Graduate or 18 year old.**
- **No grade point average, test score or essay required**
- **No letters of recommendation required or allowed**
- **No application fee**
- **Many TAGs (Transfer Admission Guarantee) and ADTs (Associate Degree for Transfer) available**
- **Transfers from CCC receive priority admission at UCs and CSUs**
- **Some CCC's offer Bachelor's degrees (ex: Industrial Automation at Bakersfield; Respiratory Care and Dental Hygiene at several campus)** CCC Bachelor's Degrees

Go to CCCapply.org in January to apply to any California Community College.

SAT/ACT Testing

- UC and CSU are Test Free indefinitely - will not consider SAT/ACT scores for admission
- Most other colleges are Test Free or Test Optional. Over 1,800 colleges are Test Optional; over 80 are Test Free
- Test Optional schools will not penalize students who choose not to submit test scores
- Some schools DO require SAT/ACT: UTK, UGA, MIT, Georgetown
- Keep updated by checking college websites and Fairtest.org

SAT/ACT Testing Opportunities

- School Day SAT - March 22, 2023
- Virtual Practice ACT - Saturday, September 9, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon
- School Day ACT - Tuesday, October 17
- Other testing opportunities available on national testing days; students register at College Board or ACT websites

Options for Applying

- **Regular Decision**
- **Rolling Admission**
- **Early Action**
- **Early Decision 1 & 2**
- **Restrictive/Single Choice Early Action**

Students who wish to apply _Early_ must invite their Counselor and Teacher/s to their Common Application no later than _Monday, September 18._

Where Should She Apply?

Yes Yes Yes!

   Student will very likely be admitted, the school is affordable, student will love to attend!

Target

   Student fits the admissions profile (see college website)

   Several applications should fit this category

Reach

   Any school that accepts less than 25% of applicants

   Financial reach

   Any school that exceeds a student's academic profile

Tip: Apply broadly to a range of schools with different academic profiles, cost, and locations.

What is a Lottery School?

Regardless of a student's academic profile, the *most selective* schools in the United States are what we consider to be "lottery schools."

Examples: **Ivy League Schools, Stanford, Vanderbilt, Georgetown, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Johns Hopkins, University of Chicago, MIT, Cal Tech**

"You can't win if you don't play!"

What to Expect: Admission Outcomes

- **Admitted!!!**
- **Deferred (for Early Action/Early Decision applicants)**
  - **Some colleges require students to "opt in" to be considered**
- **Spring Semester Admit**
- **Waitlisted**
- **Denied**

National College Signing Day is May 1st! Students will submit a Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) on or by this day to one college.

Letters of Recommendation

Common App: Many colleges and universities require letters of recommendation

- 1 Counselor recommendation & 1 Teacher recommendation is typical

UC: No letter of recommendation unless specifically requested by campus

CSU: No letter of recommendation unless specifically requested by campus

Institutional Applications: Recommendation requirements vary by college

Please submit the Letter of Recommendation Packet and Parent Brag Sheet by August 18 or as soon as possible

Transcripts

Common App: Transcripts are electronically uploaded by the College Advisor

                 (School Report = Transcript)

UC: No Transcripts required at this time. Grades are self-reported.

CSU: No Transcripts required at this time. Grades are self-reported.

Institutional Applications: Some allow student to enter College Advisor's email address; transcript is emailed.

OR

Use Google Form for paper transcripts/U.S. Mail

Please do not request transcripts for college via Naviance or the SF Website.

Paying for College

- Have you had an honest conversation about paying for college?
- Do you know how much college costs? Costs are on the rise.
- Financial aid is available for those who qualify - don't assume you don't qualify.
- FAFSA - will open in December (studentaid.gov)
- CSS Profile - required by some colleges
- **Check the website of every college on your daughter's list to determine what they require and the deadlines.**
- Want more info? - **Virtual Financial Aid Webinar** (Friday, November 3 at 8:30 am - yes, in the morning)
- Want an estimate? Check:
  - Federal Student Aid Estimator
  - Net Price Calculator on each college's website
    - Search it up! (but many are not updated)

FAFSA Changes

- FAFSA will be available in December
- Simplified = approximately 35 questions
- Automatic transfer of IRS data to FAFSA
- Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) = Student Aid Index (SAI)
- Big changes for families with 2 or more children in college
- Talk to each college's financial aid office about your specific situation (professional judgment)

Reminders...

- *Once an application is submitted, college portals and emails should be checked on a regular basis for important information*
- *Check U.S. mail for college information too!*
- *Turn in LOR Packet and Parent Brag Sheet (if still outstanding)*
- *Attend the Virtual Financial Aid Workshop on November 3rd*

Class of 2023
Where are they now?

UC	CSU	Calif Private
49 students	35 students	36 students

Community College	Out-of-State Private	Out-of-State Public
32 students	34 students	52 students

U.S. Naval Academy 1 student

College Advising for Tinker Bells

- **Mandatory Senior Advisory on August 17**
- **College Application Workshops at late start and lunchtime**
- **ELEDEF: lunch time drop-in application assistance**
- **Assistance with college essays**
- **Troubie College Week**
- **College Reps and College Fairs**
- **Appointments with College Advisors**
- **College Notes email**

Thank You

Q & A

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