#EPAAGoesToCollege



HOW IT LOOKS IN THE 12th GRADE

In the 12th grade, the bulk of college-readiness and college-going culture lives in Senior Seminar. At this point, 12th grade Advisory serves as a support for information and processes that began in the Senior Seminar class. Students apply for colleges, scholarships, support programs, and plan next steps for the following year.

Senior Seminar

Advisors



Teaching and Designing

Design and teach rigorous test prep for SAT and EPT/ELM placement tests



Portfolio

Design project and scaffolds for:

- Budgeting during college
- Resume and cover letter



Academic Monitoring

Flag students who are in danger of receiving D's or failing



Guidance Counselor GC

College Field Trips

Plan, file appropriate paperwork, and chaperone class-wide field trips to at least two colleges



Supporting College Team

Reinforce information from Senior Seminar in the following ways:

- Remind advisees of deadlines for college and scholarship applications, and
- Support in revisions of personal statements and insight questions
- In lieu of SLCs, conduct parent meetings in September and March
- Remind students to check university portals

Reinforce information from College Prep Team in the following ways:

- Track community service hours
- Conduct unofficial a-g and graduation checks
- Attend individual meetings between seniors, parents, and Guidance Counselor / Administration

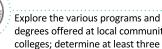
Push-in support from Guidance Counselor and College Information Specialist will be provided during Senior Seminar periods, as needed.

College Applications

Support and monitor completion of college applications in the following

- Assist in refining college list and intended majors
- Instruct on use of Naviance for college applications, LOR requests, and scholarship search
- Update internal records for CSU EAP status
- Support in revisions of personal statements and insight questions





degrees offered at local community colleges; determine at least three concrete plans to transfer to a four-year university



Student Portals

Reinforce the frequent checking of student university portals to ensure all To-Do items are completed and that all financial aid documents are finalized; reinforce the need to check spam email folders



Financing College

Ensure accurate and timely completion of financial aid applications (FAFSA and DREAM Act Application); ensure all follow-up documents are mailed to appropriate addresses to receive financial aid package



Cost-Benefit Analysis

In order to weigh the pros and cons of each college decision, students will be instructed to:

- Understand the nuances between financial aid packages from different universities
- Consider the financial gap and brainstorm ways to meet this
- Identify tangible supports and organizations students will participate in at their respective universities



Next Steps

After choosing their college, students will complete:

- Intent to enroll
- Housing and orientation applications
- A mock four-year college plan, detailing the types of courses per semester / quarter







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College Application





Presentation during Fall Semester to introduce requirements and eligibility of scholarship



Individuals or groups will be pulled out for check-ins on progress of applications, credit recovery, graduation, academics