

#EPAA Goes To College



HOW IT LOOKS IN THE 12th GRADE

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



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 LOR requests
- 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

College Prep Team

Guidance Counselor **GC** SNS College Success Counselor **SNS** Advisory Resource (College) **ARC** College Information Specialist **CIS**

push-in support



SNS Scholarship **SNS**

Presentation during Fall Semester to introduce requirements and eligibility of scholarship

pull-out support



College Application **ARC** **CIS** **GC**

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

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

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 ways:

- 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



Community College Research

Explore the various programs and 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