

# COUNSELING CORNER

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April kicks off the 4th quarter and we all start looking ahead to the end of the school year. Seniors will be hearing back from many colleges and working with their families to determine what they will be doing in the fall. Please plan on attending Report Card Night on April 5 to make contact with your child's teachers to address any problems or concerns to ensure their success in the final two months of the year.

## SUMMER SCHOOL 2018

Summer school will take place at Tustin High School June 11 to June 26 (1st session) and June 27 to July 13 (2nd session) from 7:30 a.m. to 1:05 p.m., Monday - Friday. Students were enrolled into necessary summer school classes during registration and parents will confirm via email that their child will attend. This year we are moving to a paperless system and all notifications will be done via email. Students can view their summer school courses in their Aeries student or parent portal. If you have questions please contact the counseling office.

## WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS and LUNCH & LEARN

The Counseling Department is partnering up with OC Health Care Agency, Western Youth Center and local colleges to provide our parents and students with workshops on various topics. The workshops are completely free! Please click on the links below to learn more about each workshop and to RSVP. Walk-ins are welcomed!

**Student Workshops** - Late Start Wellness Wednesdays and Lunch & Learn is a new concept we are introducing, where throughout the year we will provide our students a variety of workshops focused on mental health and academic strategies.

Wellness Wednesday workshops will be held on a late start and go from 8:15 - 9:00 a.m. The first one was held on March 14 and covered "Stress Management." The remaining topics are: "Stress and Anxiety: How to Cope" on April 11, 2018 and "Time Management and Organization" on May 2, 2018. Click [HERE](#) for details and to sign up for a workshop. Lunch & Learn will be offered during student lunch: "Time Management"- April 3, 2018; "Natural Ways of Learning"- April 11, 2018; "Maximizing Your Study Strategies"- April 17, 2018; and "Stress Management"- April 25, 2018. Click [HERE](#) to RSVP.

**Parent Workshops** - Workshops will focus on providing parents with tools on how to communicate with their child and carry on conversations about social emotional strength and resilience. Register [HERE](#) for "Positive Principles for Youth" on April 18, 2018 and "Stress and Anxiety: How to help our Youth" on May 9, 2018.

## CAREER CENTER

- ★ **Community College Night** - Beckman High School will be hosting Community College Night on Wednesday, April 4, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. College reps from Irvine Valley College, Orange Coast College, Santa Ana College, and Santiago Canyon College will be presenting on financial aid, priority registration, special programs, career certification, and university transfer. Mark your calendars for this important event and plan to attend! We hope to see you there.
- ★ **Internship and Career Fair** - Beckman High School will be hosting the 2018 Internship and Career Fair on April 12 from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. in the Beckman Quad. Students will have the opportunity to speak to representatives of companies such as, Care Ambulance, California Pizza Kitchen, OC Fair and Event Center, Plumbing Association and many more!

## SENIORS - CLASS OF 2018

- ★ **College Acceptances** - Acceptance letters and financial aid offers will start to arrive. Review your acceptances, compare financial aid packages, and visit your final choices. Finish strong, the college you decide to attend will want to see your second semester transcript. May 1 is the date when the college you plan to attend requires a commitment and deposit. When you've made your college decision, notify your counselor. Send in your deposit by the postmark date of May 1. If you've been offered financial aid, accept the offer and follow the instructions given. Also notify schools you will not attend of your decision. Request that your final transcript be sent to the college you will be attending. If you are wait-listed by a college you really want to attend, visit, call, and write the admission office to make your interest clear. Ask how you can strengthen your application.
- ★ **Science Testing (CAASPP)** - Seniors will be testing April 16 & 17 to determine their understanding of Life & Physical Science throughout their high school years.

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## JUNIORS - CLASS OF 2019

- ★ **CAASPP Testing** - The purpose of the CAASPP Test is to find out if California students are on track for college according to the Common Core learning standards. These assessments (for English & Math) also serve as an indicator of readiness for college-level coursework that is used by the California State University and participating California Community Colleges to determine Early Assessment Program (EAP) status. Students should use this opportunity to demonstrate their college readiness.
- ★ **College Testing** - Decide if you will take the SAT or ACT and what test and type of preparation is right for you. [CLICK HERE](#) for free resources to prepare for the SAT. [CLICK HERE](#) for free resources to prepare for the ACT. Check to see if the colleges you are interested in recommend/require SAT Subject Tests. Then [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up for SAT and SAT Subject Tests. [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up for the ACT. Check the 11th Grade Counseling HAIKU page for information and links and [CLICK HERE](#) for the Junior Year Checklist.
- ★ **College Fair** - The Orange County National College Fair is Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 1:30-4:30 at the Anaheim Convention Center. [CLICK HERE](#) to register and see the list of colleges that will be attending. Spring is a great time for College Visits. [CLICK HERE](#) to access the 11<sup>th</sup> Grade HAIKU page that has information regarding college visits and college fairs.
- ★ **BCAP** - The counselors have collaborated with the English 3 teachers to present the Beckman College and Career Packet assignment. Counselors will be presenting in your English 3 and 3H classes regarding the BCAP during the first week of April. The Beckman College Career Application packet includes completing a student questionnaire, parent questionnaire, resume, colleges essay and or personal insight questions, a college research table and a Colleges I'm Thinking About List. The purpose of the BCAP assignment is to assist students in the process of researching colleges and careers and preparing for the college application process and/or post high school plans. Counselors will also be going over important deadlines regarding students requesting documents from counselors to

## SOPHOMORES - CLASS OF 2020

As the school end quickly approaches, it is a great time for sophomores to think about their summer plans. There are many ways student can enrich themselves from getting their first job, volunteering, or attending a summer camp based on their Career Cluster. Check out the counseling Haiku page for ideas! Colleges do not value one enrichment over another, rather they want to see students have learned and grown from their experiences. After engaging in activities, students should reflect on what they learned about themselves, what they learned about others, and how they grew from their experiences.

## FRESHMEN - CLASS OF 2021

If you did not have a chance to visit a college or two during spring break, then start to put together a list of colleges you would like to visit this summer. Go back and review your college list and careers of interest on Naviance. Have your parent attend Report Card Night on April 5. Volunteering and educational programs can help give you a better idea about what kind of career or college major would be right for you.

## REMINDERS

- ★ April 5, 2018 REPORT CARD NIGHT - Pick up Report Cards at the Attendance Windows beginning at 5:00pm; Teachers available in the Gym 5:30- 7:30 p.m.
- ★ April 16 - 27, 2018 CAASPP TESTING - [Block Schedule](#) for ALL students
- ★ May 7 - 18, 2018 [ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS](#)
- ★ May 30 - 31, 2018 [FINAL EXAMS](#) - Seniors
- ★ June 4 - 7, 2018 [FINAL EXAMS](#) - Grades 9, 10 & 11

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