

M-A Senior Year Calendar for the Class of 2017

Community Colleges

August-December 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn about the Community Colleges near us by visiting their campuses. You can schedule a campus tour led by current students by going to the college's website and signing up. Attend with your parent Financial Aid Night on Sept. 27, 6pm at the Cafeteria (English) or M-A Library (Spanish). Learn about financial aid. Visit www.studentaid.ed.gov or www.calgrants.org to read more about financial aid (Spanish pages available). Use Naviance to search for local scholarships. Log onto Naviance, click on "home" → "financial aid" link on left hand menu. You will see a list of scholarship search portals, including information for Dreamers or AB540 students.
October 2016-March 2, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov, or the Dream Act at https://dream.csac.ca.gov/. These applications open on Oct. 1, 2016. DO NOT file before that day, but DO file soon after it opens. You can submit these fin aid applications BEFORE you've made a decision on which college you will attend. You can get help filling out the FAFSA or Dream Act at a "Cash for College" Workshop: Oct. 25 and Feb. 28 at M-A Library @ 6pm, OR search for another workshop near you: http://www.csac.ca.gov/ccfc.asp. Apply for scholarships.
February-March 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend Community College Night, Feb. 7, 6-8pm at the PAC Cafeteria. Use February and April breaks to visit colleges. Try Cañada College, College of San Mateo, Foothill, De Anza or Skyline. Go to their website to schedule and sign up for an official campus tour. Complete the FAFSA or Dream Act online no later than March 2. Apply for scholarships
March-May 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen for announcements about community college application workshops at M-A, or simply come to the College/Career Center when you can for help. Complete the online application to the college of your choice at home.cccapply.org. This will get you a student ID number at your college. <i>You are required to have this student ID number</i> in order to do the remaining steps for enrolling into community college. Schedule and complete required placement tests (math, English, and possibly science) at your community college. STUDY for these tests at www.EdReady.org and https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students. Attend the New Student Orientation/Open House program at the college of your choice. As soon as you can, make an appointment with an academic counselor at your college to discuss your goals for the future. This counselor will help you make sure you sign up for the proper classes. See this person often! Sign up for a summer class or the college orientation course at your school. In some cases, taking this class early gets you priority registration for your fall classes!
June 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check your community college email and web accounts regularly so you don't miss important announcements about signing up for classes and more. Order a copy of your final transcript to send to your college and a copy to keep in your own files. Celebrate your graduation!