



# August College and Career Readiness Update

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# About Me

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- **Education:**
  - BA in Sociology from Boston University
  - MEd in Education Administration from The University of Texas at Austin
- **Notable Prior Experience:**
  - Senior College Completion Director, College Track [2017-2020]
  - Director of College Counseling, KIPP Generations Collegiate [2014-2017]
  - Admission & Recruitment Coordinator, Southwestern University [2012-2014]
- **Why I Do What I Do:**
  - Background
  - Challenging college experience
  - One person can make a difference
- **My Approach:**
  - Equitable opportunities for support for all students, especially seniors

# College and Career Readiness Support Overview

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- **Seniors:**

- Weekly college lessons during Advisory
- Wednesday & Thursday Office Hours
  - Increased availability during peak times
- Targeted Advisor follow-up (check-in's, Fridal SEL, etc.)
- Family College Nights
- Career and Technical Education event
- Intersession Support
- Newsletter

- **Juniors:**

- Academic planning in fall
- Intersession Support
- Advisory college prep lessons in Spring

- **All Students:**

- Virtual college rep visits
- Scheduling support and meetings
- Family emails and updates
- College prep advisory lessons
- Scholarship support
- More TBD

# COVID-19 Impact on College Applications

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## California State University (CSU's)

- Academic History (Courses and Grades)
- Test Scores (ACT, SAT, AP) *Not considering ACT/SAT scores*
- Optional EOP Application (Family Socioeconomic History, Personal Statements)
- *Added an activities section*
- *Minimum eligible GPA 2.5*

## University of California (UC's)

- Academic History (Courses and Grades)
- Test Scores (ACT, SAT, AP) *optional*
- Awards and Activities
- Personal Insight Questions

## Private Universities

- Academic History (Courses and Grades)
- Test Scores (ACT, SAT, AP) *optional at most schools*
- Personal Statement
- Supplemental Questions
- Recommendation Letters (Counselor, Teacher)

# College Board Testing

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- Testing in Fall and Winter *highly unlikely* due to public health guidelines
- SAT:
  - 1,450+ test optional colleges this fall
  - Not needed for Class of 2021
  - Undetermined need for Class of 2022
  - Potential to host SAT School Day in Spring
- PSAT/NMSQT:
  - Winter option now available, though unlikely
  - College Board will need to respond to student circumstances
- PSAT 8/9, PSAT 10:
  - On hold until Spring, if at all possible
- AP Testing
  - Continued virtual format

# Service Hours Update

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- Mr. Terrizzi remains the lead
- 80 hour requirement continues
- Service Opportunities:
  - At-home service
  - Community and neighborhood service
  - EBIA opportunities
    - Peer mentorship
    - Academic tutoring
- More details to be released in early September