COLLEGES VISITING SANTA BARBARA –

Thursday, September 5th at 7:50am
· California Lutheran University
· College and Career Center
· Open to students and parents

Friday, September 13 at lunch
· Grand Canyon University in the Quad

Friday, September 20 at 7:50am
· Westmont in the Library
· Lehigh University in the College and Career Center

Monday, September 23 at 7:50am
· Santa Clara University in the College and Career Center
· University of Miami in the Library
· Open to students and parents

Tuesday, September 24 at 7:50am
· Princeton University
· College and Career Center
· Open to students and parents

Monday, September 30 at 7:50am
· Haverford College in the College and Career Center
· Skidmore College in the Library
· Open to students and parents

Monday, September 30 at lunch
· Trinity University in the Quad

Duke, Georgetown, Harvard, UPenn and Stanford will host an information session for students and parents on Thursday, September 19 from 7:00pm-9:00pm at the Hilton Garden Inn, Goleta. To RSVP, visit: https://uapply.georgetown.edu/register/SantaBarbaraECO2019#ga=2.253713423.725673256.1566848877-2128153782.1566848877
Tufts University will host an information session on the topic of “Breaking Down Highly Selective Admissions”: Sunday, September 22 at 1:30pm; Hilton Los Angeles. RSVP at: https://admissions.tufts.edu/visit/in-your-area.

SCHEDULES - The deadline to request a schedule change with Ms. Anderson is Thursday, September 5 at 3:30pm.

AP EXAMS - This ONLY applies to students who are taking courses with AP in the title, which stands for Advanced Placement. If a student has an AP Course in their schedule, students must commit to taking the AP Exam no later than September 26. On this date, students in AP Courses will be invoiced by Bishop, $120.00 for each AP exam. Final payment for these exams will be due no later than October 17. If you have questions, please contact rcarpenter@bishopdiego.org.

TEST PREP – The deadline to register for the fall SAT/ACT bootcamp is September 13. Those interested in taking the SAT or ACT this semester may wish to register for the fall Bootcamp. The cost is $299.00 and the class will take place September 20-22. The 20th is a practice exam, which students are welcome to take at home if they will be at the football game that evening. This bootcamp is an excellent option for seniors looking to boost their score before going into the October, November or December exams. Juniors who think they have a chance to score in the top tier on the PSAT may wish to consider this fall bootcamp as well. Register at: http://tutorsacrossamerica.com/ACTcourse.

CSF/NHS Applications – Due no later than Friday, September 5 at 3:30pm

For instructions on how to apply for CSF and NHS, please watch this short video: https://bgdhs.instructuremedia.com/embed/73afc722-493b-4326-af6d-da985089735b

About CSF and NHS:

Open to Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors: The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation’s premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to recognize students who have demonstrated excellence
in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character. Membership in NHS requires a minimum cumulative 3.75 GPA each semester. A student will be notified if he/she has dropped below the minimum GPA and a warning will be given. Additionally, students are expected to continue achievement in Leadership, Service, and Character. If a student shows behavior or actions that go against the quality of the areas of Leadership, Service, and Character he/she may lose recognition of membership. Students involved with NHS are honored at the Bishop graduation ceremony. Plus, membership may be attractive in the college admissions process.

Each semester, NHS students are required to fulfill 2 hours of Bishop Peer-Tutoring. Hours can be counted toward students’ Christian Service Hours and are to be signed-off by Ms. Anderson. Students in grades 10-12 with at least a 3.75 GPA are invited to complete an application, which is available on the BD Counseling Website in Canvas. Students must renew membership each semester.

Open to Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors: The California Scholarship Federation (CSF) emphasizes high standards of scholarship and community service for California high school students. Founded in 1921, the CSF is the oldest scholarship institution in the state of California. There are two types of membership in CSF. The first CSF membership is the highest honor which is the most selective membership type. Students with the highest honor membership have earned six semesters of membership in CSF. To participate in the California Scholarship Federation (CSF), students are required to apply each semester to continue enrollment. Students in grades 10-12 with at least a 3.5 GPA are invited to complete an application, which is available on the BD Counseling Website in Canvas.

Free College Application Webinars:

**September 12, 5:00 PM PDT:** [How to Make Your Common App a Lot Less Common](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/how-to-make-your-common-app-a-lot-less-common-webinar-tickets-70347458141)

**September 24, 5:00 PM PDT:** [The Art of the Supplemental Essay](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-art-of-the-supplemental-essay-webinar-tickets-70378186049)
October 8, 5:00 PM PDT: College Admissions: State of the Union (https://www.eventbrite.com/e/college-admissions-state-of-the-union-webinar-tickets-70378619345)

October 22, 5:00 PM PDT: Acing Your University of California App (https://www.eventbrite.com/e/acing-your-university-of-california-app-webinar-tickets-70378886143)

November 5, 5:00 PM PST: Full STEAM Ahead: Selecting Your Major (And Getting In!) (https://www.eventbrite.com/e/full-steam-ahead-selecting-your-major-and-getting-in-webinar-tickets-70378950335)

Scholarship application for SENIORS:

The 2020 MVS application is now open. Applications can be found online at enf.elks.org/MVS. The application deadline is November 5th.

The Elks National Foundation (ENF) awards 500 four-year scholarships based on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. National awards range from $1,000 per year to $12,500 per year. The national awards are announced in April 2020.

MVS scholarships are for students pursuing a four-year degree on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 semester hours), at a U.S. college or university. Eligible applicants include:

- Current high school seniors (or equivalent) who are citizens of the United States.
- Applicants do not have to be related to a member of the Elks, nor do they have to have an affiliation with Santa Barbara Lodge #613.

Complete details can be found at enf.elks.org/MVS.

Legacy Awards – The Legacy Awards program begins on September 1st. Legacy Awards provide $4,000 scholarships for children and grandchildren of dues-paying Elk members. The ENF offers a total of 300 national awards. Like the MVS contest, the Legacy Awards application is entirely online. The application deadline is January 31, 2020 at 11:59 a.m., Central Time. Please visit https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/Legacy.cfm for more details and the application link.
2020 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards recognize students in middle and high school who have made meaningful contributions to their communities through volunteer service.

Any student may apply if:

- In grade 5-12 and a legal resident of one of the 50 states or District of Columbia
- Has engaged in a volunteer activity that occurred at least in part after September 1, 2018
- Completes an application and submits to Mrs. Carpenter by November 5, 2019.
- Apply at spirit.prudential.com or nassp.org/spirit

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