College and Career Readiness K-12
Objectives

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What does it mean to be College and Career Ready?

It means you’re ready for the world: College- and career-ready high school graduates have the skills, knowledge and abilities needed to succeed in life, whether attending college or starting a job.

Components of College and Career Readiness:
- Academic and content knowledge
- Cognitive and higher-order thinking strategies
- Social and emotional intelligences
- College and career preparedness
- Employability and life skills
Elementary

- Support reading
- Develop academic habits of success
- Remember intelligence is not fixed
- Help your child set goals
- Limit screen time
- Encourage your child to seek help
- Help your child identity their own interest
- Start exploring different jobs with your child at
  https://kids.usa.gov/jobs/index.shtml
Middle School

- Encourage your child to take school seriously and choose challenging classes
- Explore a variety of career interests
- Develop academic habits of success
- Get involved in extracurricular activities
- Explore financing college
- Register for 9th grade
- Talk to your child about his or her interests
# High School

## Grade Level Checklists for 9th through 12th grade

### 10th Grade

Concentrate on academic preparation this year and continue to develop basic skills and curricular interests. Testing begins this year. Time to start warming up your pencils. This year you will begin to venture into the testing arena. Make the grade. Colleges place heavy emphasis on your sophomore year grades—so make sure your GPA is above average.

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<td>Review your four-year plan with your Academic Advisor.</td>
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<td>Weighted and Unweighted GPA</td>
<td>Review your transcript and understand the difference between your weighted and unweighted GPA.</td>
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<td>Goals</td>
<td>Focus on your goals for academic and personal success.</td>
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<td>Monitor your grades regularly. Use study groups and tutors or office hours to get help from teachers.</td>
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<td>Meet with your Academic Advisor</td>
<td>Make sure you’re meeting A-G eligibility requirements.</td>
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<td>Naviance</td>
<td>Access your Naviance account to update your college and career profile. Check the 10th Grade Naviance Plan below.</td>
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<td>Extracurricular Interests and Activities</td>
<td>Explore options such as clubs and community service. Less is more — choose a few. Instead of cramming your schedule with extracurriculars from basketball to basket weaving, focus on doing what you love. Don’t clutter your schedule — colleges would much rather see you passionate about a few worthwhile endeavors than marginally involved with a ton of clubs.</td>
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<td>Attend College Rep Visits</td>
<td>Admission reps from colleges will be on your campus. Hear what they have to say and ask them questions.</td>
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<td>College and Career workshops</td>
<td>Attend any workshops hosted by your school or CUSD FUTUREology.</td>
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<td>Consider taking the PSAT (or ACT)</td>
<td>Taking the preliminary SAT (PSAT) or ASPIRE (pre-ACT) in October is a great way to get familiar with the test format.</td>
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[www.cusd-futureology.org/college/readiness-checklist](http://www.cusd-futureology.org/college/readiness-checklist)
College and Career Advantage (CCA)
Career Technical Education (CTE)

Courses lead to industry certification
UC/CSU Approved courses
Course Articulation with Local Colleges (Exciting News!)
CTE Career Pathways
Post Secondary Options

Four Year University
- Bachelor Degrees
- Master Degrees
- Doctorate Degree
- Collegiate Experience
- Self Sufficiency
- Higher Earning Potential
- Competitive Job Market

Community College
- Associates Degrees
- Certificate Programs
- Financial Savings
- Complete Basic Requirements
- Transfer Agreements
- Boost G.P.A.
- Time to discover the right major

Vocational/Technical School
- Construction (Management, boilermaker, crane operator etc.)
- Electrician
- Mechanic (aircraft, industrial, auto)
- Fashion Design
- Culinary Arts
- Health Care

Military
- Air Force
- Army
- Coast Guard
- Marines
- National Guard
- Navy
- Tuition Assistance for College
- Payment while serving
- Assistance after service
- Each branch has an Academy
Online Resources

Naviance (https://www.naviance.com/) - is a comprehensive K-12 college and career readiness solution that helps schools align student strengths and interests to postsecondary goals, improving student outcomes and connecting learning to life. Check out your school's website to get access your personal account

Big Future/College Board ( https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/) - free college search engine that helps finds colleges and universities just right for you. Quickly perform a college search by major, location, type of college, financial aid, etc.

California Career Zone (https://www.cacareerzone.org/) - The place to explore careers related to your strengths, skills and talents

Road Trip Nation (http://roadtripnation.com/) - Offers tools that create a diverse and relevant collection of resources showing young people the vast scope of careers and possibilities. These stories form the basis of our career exploration products—including personalized online tools, video content, bestselling books, and live events.
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- Application strategy & assistance
- Career exploration & planning
- Financial aid & scholarship support

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