

MATER DEI HIGH SCHOOL

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS/ APPLICATION PLANNING NIGHT JUNIORS & PARENTS

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Tonight's Objectives

- ▣ NCAA/ NAIA – Ms. McElroy
- ▣ ROTC and Military Academies – Mr. Nguyen
- ▣ Finding the Right Fit, College Search and Preparing for College – Mrs. Young
- ▣ Upcoming College Events



NCAA & NAIA

Ms. Mary McElroy

National Collegiate Athletic Association - NCAA

- Is your student interested in playing **Division I** or **Division II** athletics in college?
- Register at www.eligibilitycenter.org at the end of your junior year.
- Remember to send an official **6th** semester transcript through Parchment.
- The student is responsible for sending **SAT** or **ACT** scores to the Eligibility Center. (**9999**)



NCAA **Division I** Academic Requirements:

Division I

16 Core Courses

4 English

3 Math (Algebra I or higher)

2 Natural/Physical Science

1 Additional English, Math, or Natural/Physical Science

2 Social Science

4 Additional English, Math, or Natural/Physical Science, Social Science, Foreign Language, Comparative Religion or Philosophy

Full Qualifier

Complete **16** Core Courses

* **Ten** of the **16** core courses must be completed before the 7th semester

* **Seven** of the **10** core courses must be in **English, math, or science**

Earn a core course GPA of at least **2.300**

Earn the **ACT/SAT** score matching your core course GPA on the Division I sliding scale

Graduate high school

Academic Redshirt

Complete **16** core courses

Earn a core course GPA of at least **2.000**

Earn the **ACT/SAT** score matching your core course GPA on the Division I sliding scale

Graduate high school

NCAA Division II Academic Requirements:

Full Qualifier	Partial Qualifier
Complete 16 core courses	Complete 16 core courses
Earn a core course GPA of at least 2.000	Earn a core course GPA of at least 2.000
Earn an SAT combined score of at least 820(Old)/900 (New) or an ACT sum score of at least 68	OR Earn an SAT combined score of at least 820 (Old)/900(New) or an ACT sum score of at least 68
Graduate high school	Graduate high school

Want to Play College Sports?

You MUST Know Your Core Course GPA.



CORECOURSEGPA.com

Addressing Recruiting and Eligibility...at its Core.

Mater Dei High School has teamed up with CoreCourseGPA.com to provide custom online software to all student-athletes to assist in tracking their progress towards meeting NCAA initial eligibility requirements.

CoreCourseGPA.com calculates core course GPA for both the Division I and II, provides corresponding minimum SAT/ACT scores, and a detailed report of core course credits earned and needed.

All student-athletes are encouraged to activate their FREE membership to begin tracking their core course GPA and learn more about important recruiting topics. The sooner, the better - every semester counts!

Activate Your FREE Membership

Step 1: Go to www.CoreCourseGPA.com

Step 2: Click "Free New Member Account"

Step 3: Enter School ID and School Code

Step 4: Complete Registration Form

School ID: 053240

School Code: 729421188

National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics - NAIA

- Register at <http://www.playnaia.org>
- Remember to send an official 6th semester transcript through Parchment.
- The student is responsible for sending **SAT** or **ACT** scores to the Eligibility Center. (9876)



Student must meet **two** of the **three**:

Test Score Requirement	High School GPA Requirement	Class Rank Requirement
Achieve a minimum of 18 on the ACT or 860 (Old)/940(New) on the SAT .	Achieve a minimum overall high school grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.	Graduate in the top half of your high school class.
Scores must be achieved on a single test.	NAIA accepts the grade point average determined by the high school.	Mater Dei DOES NOT RANK .



ROTC and Military Academies

Mr. Don Nguyen

ROTC – Reserve Officer Training Corps

The ROTC program provides you the opportunity to attend a civilian college while studying military leadership as a part of the total undergraduate program. ROTC is a college elective, which requires about four hours a week. It is offered at hundreds of campuses. Applications are available upon request from college ROTC units or on the websites.

ARMY ROTC – www.armyrotc.com

AIR FORCE ROTC – www.afrotc.com

NAVY ROTC – www.nrotc.com

The program is divided into two parts, the basic course and the advanced course. The basic course is normally attended during your first two years of college with no military commitment. After completing this course, students may enroll in the advanced course. At this time, they will incur a military obligation.

Military Service Academies

The United States maintains 5 service academies:

- US Military Academy at West Point – www.usma.edu
- US Naval Academy at Annapolis – www.usna.edu
- US Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs – www.usafa.edu
- US Coast Guard Academy at New London, Conn. – www.cga.edu
- US Merchant Marines Academy at Kings Point, NY – www.usmma.edu

The mission of the service academies is to provide the instruction and experience necessary to produce graduates with knowledge, character and leadership abilities to become career military officers.

**Questions regarding ROTC and Military Service Academies, please contact
Don Nguyen at dnguyen@materdei.org**



**Finding the “Right Fit” &
College Search Process and
Building Your College List**

Mrs. Angie Young

Preparing for College

- What is important to colleges?
 - ▣ Challenging Courses, Rigorous Course Load
 - Remember to keep it balanced!
 - ▣ GPA
 - ▣ Meaningful Extracurricular activities, Community Service, Work Experience
 - ▣ Admission Tests (SAT with Writing , ACT with Writing, SAT Subject Tests)
 - ▣ Essays
 - ▣ Recommendations – Teacher and Counselor
 - To access the Senior Guidance Questionnaire, please use the link below.
 - http://www.materdei.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?type=d&uREC_ID=70016&pREC_ID=778674

Guidance Counselors will guide and assist students through the ENTIRE application process in their senior English classes.

Finding the “Right Fit”

When constructing your college list or making a final decision about where you’re going to college, the idea of “fit” is complex. It’s important to understand that there are many intangible and often unseen variables that must be considered beyond how a college campus looks and feels at a glance.

Factors to consider:

- Location of the college**
- Size of the college**
- Cost of the college**
- Whether the college has your major**
- The employment rates for graduates**
- Career services available to you**
- Average debt upon graduation**
- Safety**
- Internship opportunities**
- Academic services**
- Retention efforts/student advising**
- Most popular student events**
- Graduation Rates**

Building your College List

By the end of junior year, students should have 5 to 10 colleges they are considering.

□ Your Students' College List

- **Safety/Likely Schools**- Institutions with flexible admission standards are often treated as Safety Colleges. This term refers to college whose requirements mean little chance of rejection for that applicant. Most students apply to just one safety, but a student may opt for an academic safety and a financial safety. **Students should have between 3-4 schools as safety or likely schools.**
- **50-50/ Probable Schools** – a “probable” college is one that the student feels will fulfill needs and desires; one that students could happily attend, even though it may not be the first choice. The student should fit the general admission criteria in academic and social arenas. **Students should have between 2 – 3 schools as 50-50/ Probable schools.**
- **Reach/ Dream Schools** – These are the top choices, but ones that are less likely to accept the student. This may be because the student's qualifications match or fall slightly short of the college's average, and the competition for the limited spaces in the freshman class is intense. **Students should have between 1 – 2 schools as Reach/ Dream Schools.**

Common Application - commonapp.org

500 + College and University Members

Requirements:

- ❑ 1 essay chosen from 5 Prompts
- ❑ Test Scores: SAT or ACT, SAT Subject Tests, TOEFL (International Students)
- ❑ Official High School Transcripts: Requesting transcripts through Parchment is **REQUIRED**
- ❑ Teacher Letters of Recommendation
- ❑ Counselor Recommendation and SSR: Senior Questionnaire **MUST** be completed before a counselor can write LOR, Parent Questionnaire Included
- ❑ Letters of Recommendation **MUST** be requested at least one month in advance of the student's first deadline
- ❑ Student, School and Major Specific Requirements
 - Interview
 - Audition
 - Portfolio
 - Video Submission

California State University (CSU) - csumentor.edu

- ❑ 23 Campuses across California
- ❑ Application opens October 1st and closes November 30th.
- ❑ Admission Offices use the following to determine eligibility for admission:
 - ❑ Specific high school courses (A-G Requirements)
 - ❑ Grades in A-G Courses
 - ❑ Test Scores (SAT or ACT)
 - ❑ Graduation from high school
 - ❑ Letters of Recommendation are not required and are NOT reviewed
 - ❑ Official Transcripts are not required at the time of your initial application submission



University of California - admissions.universityofcalifornia.edu

- 9 Campuses across California
- Application submissions are accepted November 1st through November 30th.
- Admission offices use the following to determine eligibility for admission:
 - ▣ Specific high school courses (A-G Requirements)
 - ▣ Grades in A-G courses
 - ▣ Test Scores (SAT or ACT)
 - ▣ Personal Statements (2 short essays, 1000 words total)
 - ▣ Graduation from high school
 - ▣ Letters of recommendation are not required and are NOT reviewed
 - ▣ Official transcripts are not required at the time of application submission, but may be requested for specific programs



A-G Requirements:

University of California and California State University

A	History / Social Studies including 1 year of U.S. history or 1 semester of U.S. history and 1 semester of civics or American government <i>AND</i> 1 year of social science	2 Years Required	
B	English 4 years of college preparatory English composition and literature	4 Years Required	
C	Mathematics Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, or higher mathematics (take one each year)	3 Years Required	4 Years Recommended
D	Laboratory Science 1 biological science and 1 physical science	2 Years Required	3 Years Recommended
E	Foreign Language Must be same language	2 Years Required	3 Years Recommended
F	Visual and Performing Arts dance, drama or theater, music, or visual art	1 Year Required	
G	College Prep Electives	1 Year Required	

A grade of C or better is required for each course you use to meet any subject requirement.

2017 Standardized Test Dates

SAT with Writing

- Registration Deadlines are usually 1 month in advance of the test date:
 - March 11, 2017
 - May 6, 2017
 - June 3, 2017
 - August 26, 2017
 - October 7, 2017
 - November 4, 2017

ACT with Writing

- Registration Deadlines are usually 3 weeks in advance of the test date:
 - February 11, 2017
 - April 8, 2017
 - June 10, 2017
 - September 9, 2017
 - October 28, 2017
 - December 9, 2017

http://www.materdei.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?type=d&uREC_ID=70016&pREC_ID=303774

SAT Subject Tests

- ❑ One hour, multiple choice test on one of 20 different subjects
- ❑ Required by some selective colleges for admission. NOTE – most students do not need SAT Subject Tests
- ❑ Required by some colleges for course placement
- ❑ Offer you an additional opportunity to show colleges what you know.

Subjects Offered:

Literature	US History	World History
Math Level 1	Math Level 2	Biology
Chemistry	Physics	French
German	Spanish	Modern Hebrew
Italian	Latin	Chinese
Japanese	Korean	

www.collegeboard.org to find out more and to register

Early Decision vs Early Action

- **Early Decision** plans are binding – a student who is accepted ED **MUST** attend the college.
 - ▣ Students may apply to **ONLY ONE** college or university with Early Decision
- **Early Action** plans are non binding – students receive an early response to their application but do not have to commit to the college until the normal reply date of May 1.
 - ▣ Early Action plans are more flexible.

Make sure that you read and understand what is expected from each school as each school is different.

Naviance

The Naviance Family Connection College & Career Planning Program

All Mater Dei students have a Naviance account. Parents and students must share an account.

This is a wonderful resource that allows you to:

- Search for colleges.
- View a current list of scholarships.
- Take a Career Interest Profiler to help you find the majors and careers you might like.
- Take surveys that will help the Guidance office serve you better.
- And much more!

To access the Naviance Family Connections website, go to www.materdei.org/naviance.

To log on we are going to use your students Mater Dei Email

Password: college

Please log on now!

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Upcoming College Events

- **Career Day at Mater Dei**
 - March 15, 2017
- **Junior Case Studies Night**
 - Tuesday, March 14, 2017 6:00 – 8:00
- **NACAC Orange County National College Fair at the Anaheim Convention Center**
 - Sunday, April 23, 2017 1:30pm – 4:30pm
- **Spring College Admission Representative Visits during Lunch**
- **Your student's counselor will contact you to schedule a Junior Counseling College Planning Meeting.**
- **Junior and Senior College Curriculum in English Classes**
 - Guidance Questionnaire
 - Review College Application process, so students can begin working on their applications over summer.
- **The Guidance Counselors will assist students through the ENTIRE application process in August and September in the Senior English Classes.**