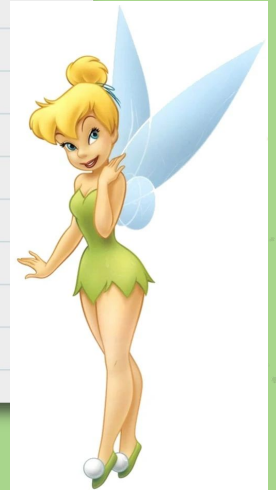


Class of 2024

Parent Meeting

January 18, 2023

Planning for
your Senior
Year!

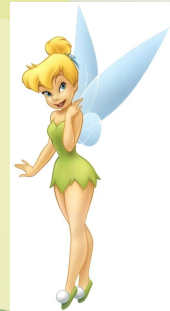


Agenda for today

Planning for Course
Registration

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College Planning Introduction



The Counseling Department



Ms. Nora Anderson: Abr-Gue

Ms. Katrina Fox: Gup-Obe

Mr. Joe Poggi: Odg-Z

Ms. Debbie Austin: A-K College Advisor

Ms. Naomi Lee: L-Z College Advisor

**Appointments with College Advisors will start in February*

Ms. Sunny Rivera- Administrative Assistant to Counseling

Course Registration Timeline

Jan-
Feb



Meet with
your
Counselor
about course
requests

Jan
20



Honors/AP
Applications
Due

Feb
10



Notified of
acceptance
AP/Honors

Feb
20-25



Request
Courses in
PowerSchool

Feb.
27-March 1



Course
Verification
Days

New Process

Course Registration Process

- Students will receive an email with instructions on how to input course requests into PowerSchool.
 - **Feb 20-25**
- You will also mark which classes you plan to take on your Course Registration Form. Review the form with your parents and have them sign it.
- Bring your signed form during Course Verification Days to the Dining Hall during your free block so a counselor can verify the courses in Powerschool.
 - **Feb 27- March 1**

Signature Course Registration Form

Student Name: _____

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	SECTION NUMBER
01001	English I	01
01002	English II	01
01003	English III	01
01004	English IV	01
02001	Math I	01
02002	Math II	01
02003	Math III	01
02004	Math IV	01
03001	Science I	01
03002	Science II	01
03003	Science III	01
03004	Science IV	01
04001	History I	01
04002	History II	01
04003	History III	01
04004	History IV	01
05001	Art I	01
05002	Art II	01
05003	Art III	01
05004	Art IV	01
06001	Music I	01
06002	Music II	01
06003	Music III	01
06004	Music IV	01
07001	Physical Education I	01
07002	Physical Education II	01
07003	Physical Education III	01
07004	Physical Education IV	01
08001	Spanish I	01
08002	Spanish II	01
08003	Spanish III	01
08004	Spanish IV	01
09001	French I	01
09002	French II	01
09003	French III	01
09004	French IV	01
10001	Latin I	01
10002	Latin II	01
10003	Latin III	01
10004	Latin IV	01

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05001	Art I	01
05002	Art II	01
05003	Art III	01
05004	Art IV	01
06001	Music I	01
06002	Music II	01
06003	Music III	01
06004	Music IV	01
07001	Physical Education I	01
07002	Physical Education II	01
07003	Physical Education III	01
07004	Physical Education IV	01
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Graduation Requirements

Subject	# of Required Semesters
THEOLOGY	8 (every semester of attendance)
ENGLISH	8
SOCIAL STUDIES	7
MATHEMATICS	6
SCIENCE	6
MODERN & CLASSICAL LANGUAGES	4
VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS	2
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	3
HEALTH	1
ELECTIVES	3
TOTAL	48 semesters

Remember your a-g (for UC/CSU)

- (a): History/Social Science - **2 years required**
- (b): English - **4 years required**
- (c): Mathematics - **3 years required, 4 years recommended**
- (d): Laboratory Science - **2 years required, 3 years recommended**
- (e): Language other than English (LOTE) - **2 years required, 3 years recommended**
- (f): Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) - **1 year required**
- (g): College Preparatory Electives - **1 year required** (Interfaith Dialogue and Economics)

Researching Courses

- Review The Course Catalog
- Review Registration Information and Prerequisite requirements Find Info HERE
- Talk to current teachers, counselor, and students
- Check your emails for Course Registration information and AP/Honors Applications

AP/Honors

Students may choose 1-4 AP/Honors Courses per year. "Most rigorous" course load would be 8 AP/Honors courses during high school (some colleges ask for this information).

If you choose 4 AP/Honors Courses:

- Your Counselor will review the request and consider your academic history, outside commitments and long term goals. If concerned, they will contact you.

You should choose an AP/Honors class:

- To challenge yourself
- Preparation for college level
- Subject of interest

You should NOT choose an AP/Honors course:

- Your friend said you should
- You feel like you have to

Must apply by January 20th!

If you choose an AP/Honors course, you are making a yearlong commitment to that course.

Things to Remember

- 1. You are “requesting” courses.**
- 2. You are committing to take these courses your entire senior year**
 - a. There is no such thing as “trying a class”
 - b. Schedule changes will not occur after May 15th including in the summer.
 - c. Drops that occur once the school year has began result in a W on the transcript. Drops that occur after Q1 result in a WF on the transcript.
- 3. Be sure to request courses that fulfill the entrance requirements at all colleges you are considering.**
 - a. Example: Santa Clara University uses the following verbiage:
 1. Language Other Than English: 2 years required, 3 years recommended;4 years preferred

Summer School

- Registration opens Feb 15th at 12:00pm
- June 12- July 21
- St. Francis Summer School Offerings (subject to change)
 - Integrated Math 2
 - IM3 B
 - Chemistry
 - Physics
 - Driver's Education (2 weeks)

You must have a conversation with your Counselor prior to enrolling in summer school at other high schools or colleges.

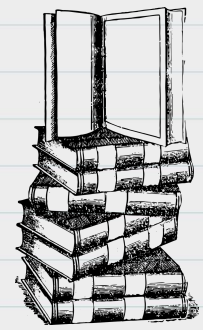
Schedule Changes

- Reasons for a schedule change
 - Student was moved from waitlist
 - Reconsider taking a course
 - Grade concern
- Last day for schedule changes is **May 15**
 - W and WF Policy
- Schedules mailed in summer are **FINAL**

Planning for College



**Starbucks
Vs.
College Admissions**



Factors for Deciding Where to Apply

- Cost of Attendance**
- Size of College**
- Geographic Location**
- Academic Programs**
- Social and Spiritual
Atmosphere**
- Sports**

Cost of College

- **Learn as much as you can about cost of college and financial aid**
 - **Go to studentaid.gov/aid-estimator/ to get an estimate of Federal Student Aid (Expected Family Contribution)**
 - **Research financial aid/scholarships at the college(s) your daughter is considering and use the net price calculator**
 - **Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) Scholarship www.wiche.edu/wue**

Have an honest conversation about what your family can realistically afford

College Options

Community College

Over 100 Community
Colleges in California

California State University

23 campuses

University of California

9 campuses

Out-of-State Public

U.S. Military Academies

Private Colleges & Universities

Universities Abroad

*More information about these
options will be shared throughout
the college advising process.*

Best Match...Where to Apply?!

Yes! Yes! Yes!

You love it! You are admissible and it's affordable!

Reach

Any school that accepts less than 25% of applicants (or financial reach)

Yes!Yes!Yes!

Target

Reach

Lottery

Target

You fit the profile of an admitted student and it's probably affordable.

Lottery

Any school that accepts less than 10% of applicants



What is Demonstrated Interest?

- Open emails from colleges and click on links
- Attend virtual or in-person college events hosted in our area (if possible/safe)
- Take virtual college tours
- Join mailing lists
- Correspond with admissions representatives
- Visit colleges in person, take official tours, and opt for interviews (if offered)
- Follow the college's official social media accounts

Most public universities do not consider Demonstrated Interest

Critical Tip:
According to college admissions directors, colleges often subtract "interest points" when parents contact admissions offices on behalf of their student.

Testing Update



- **UC + many West coast schools = Test Free**
- **CSU = Test Free**
- **$\frac{2}{3}$ of all colleges and universities in the U.S. = Test Optional or Test Free**
- **Check college websites for updated information**

Optional Testing Opportunities at SFHS

School Day SAT - March 22
School Day ACT- Fall 2023



Use a Dedicated College Email Account!

- **Ensure that your daughter has a professional email for college use.**
- **DO NOT use Troubiemail!**
- **Keep track of usernames and passwords.**

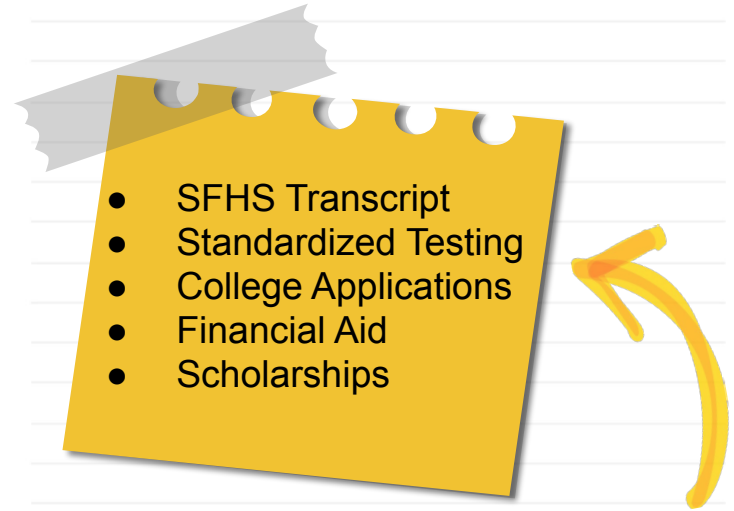
Social Security Number and Name



This is important!

Here is your homework:
Check your daughter's Social Security card and verify her formal name.

Formal Name



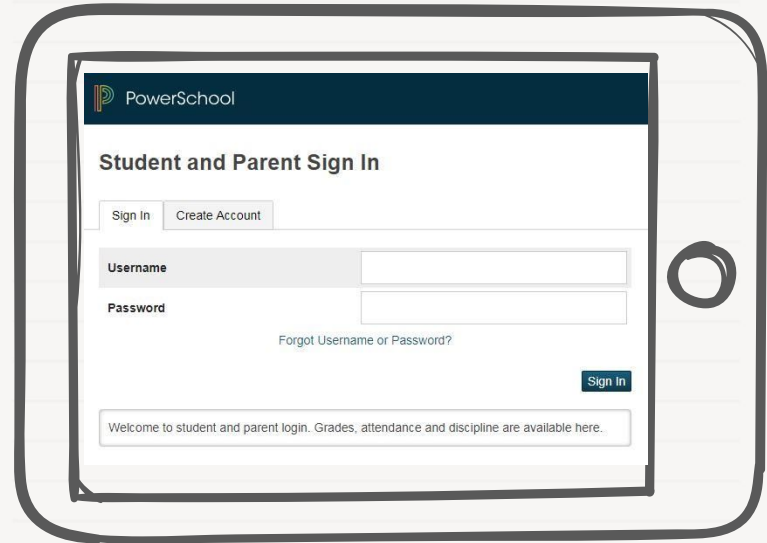
- SFHS Transcript
- Standardized Testing
- College Applications
- Financial Aid
- Scholarships

Ensure that she uses her formal name for all of these documents.

Viewing the Transcript

You can view transcripts from the PowerSchool Portal!

Fall Semester grades have been posted.



Grade Point Average



- How the SFHS GPA is calculated:

- Includes all classes except PE/Sports, Student Intern or Academic Teams
- Honors and AP classes will receive an additional grade point.

- SFHS will report the weighted, 6-semester GPA if requested by a college.
 - Note: Many colleges will recalculate during the application process.
 - UC & CSU only use a-g courses from Sophomore and Junior year.
 - UNR only uses English, Math, Science, & Social Studies in their GPA calculation.
- SFHS is a non-rank school.
 - St. Francis has a rigorous college preparatory program; therefore, a cumulative ranking system based on GPA does not fairly represent a student's relative achievement.

College Advising Program for Spring 2023

- **January 18th: Class of 2024 Parent Night Presentation**
- **January 12th & 13th: In-Class Presentations**
- **January, February & March: Just for Juniors lunchtime workshops in the Counseling & College Center or Dining Hall**
- **February, March, April, & May: College Planning Meetings with College Advisor**
- **March 22nd: Optional School Day SAT**
- **April: Mini College Fair - TBD**

Just for Juniors Lunchtime Workshops

Location:
TBA during
lunch

- **What Courses Should I Take for Senior Year?**
- **Should I Take the SAT and/or ACT?**
- **How Can I Strengthen My College Application?**
- **How Do I Choose a Good Fit College? What Does Good Fit Mean?**
- **How Should I Apply to College? What Are the Admission Plans and What Do They Mean?**
- **How Can I Make the Most of My Summer Break?
What to Expect Next Year?**

What to Expect Senior Year

- Senior Parent College Night
- Senior College Presentation
- Appointments, as needed, with College Advisor and Counselor
- Daily Drop-In College Advising During Lunch (ELEDEF)
- Lunchtime College Application Workshops
- Meet with College Representatives at SFHS
- College Fairs
- Troubie College Week
- Optional School Day ACT (fall)

Thanks!

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