Next Steps for College

Student Checklist
RHS College & Career Center

Review your FAFSA or Dream Application

Once you complete your FAFSA/Dream application, review your Student Aid Report. Read the comments section. Additional information may be required to the college you attend before financial aid can be determined if you are selected for verification. RHS College & Career Center can help guide you with the verification process.

Check your email and college student portal

Continue to check your email for updates on your admissions decision and financial aid status. Check all college portals for any required documentation that is required for admissions and financial aid.

Admissions Decision

Notify your college of your decision and send in your enrollment deposit (if applicable) by the deadline. Refer to your college’s website for the published deadline. Most California university deadlines are May 1st.

Financial Aid Award Offer

Review your financial aid offer letters and compare college costs and financial aid awards. Choose a college that is right for you. RHS College & Career Center can help you compare college costs and financial aid packages.

“Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think.”
-Albert Einstein

Did You Know?

#1: Are you eligible for a Cal Grant award? Create a webgrants account on mygrantinfo.ca.gov to check your eligibility. If you are eligible, claim your school of attendance on your webgrants account once you decide your college.

California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) administers the Cal Grant program. If you have any questions, you may contact CSAC at (888) 224-7269.

#2: The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) will prohibit any third party (including your parents) from accessing your college information from any college department, including financial aid, admissions, and registrars. You, the student, will have to complete a FERPA form with each department to allow your parents to access your information. Contact each college department for more information.