



**CALIFORNIA COLLEGE
GUIDANCE INITIATIVE**

**THE
STUDENT**

**GUIDE
TO**

CaliforniaColleges.edu

The go-to source for college and career planning in California

About CCGI

The California College Guidance Initiative (CCGI) partners with K-12 school districts to provide technological tools that support students and parents as they plan, prepare and figure out how to pay for college.

Privacy + Student Data

Your school district has chosen to participate in the CCGI. Student accounts in CCGI partner districts are automatically populated with verified academic data (the courses students have taken, and grades received) directly from the district and will be updated regularly.

Data from CaliforniaColleges.edu is only shared with the colleges and universities, financial aid organizations, and technology partners that help provide college and career planning services to your students.

To read the privacy policy visit:
<http://www.CaliforniaColleges.edu/Home/Privacy.aspx>

Get a student account today!

- Visit www.CaliforniaColleges.edu
- Click on Create an Account
- Select the Student profile that fits you
- Locate your school
- Fill out the profile information
- Click on Create Your Account

Use CaliforniaColleges.edu to meet your college, career, and financial aid planning goals!

The website provides students with:

1. Assessment tools to help you figure out what kinds of careers might be a right fit, and up-to-date information about careers (e.g. education, earnings)
2. A one-stop resource for information about colleges in California and nation-wide.
3. An opportunity to track your progress on college, financial aid, and career planning. You can save key information and important documents over time in your online portfolio and parents can view that portfolio through an invitation.
4. Free test preparation for the SAT, ACT, and GRE.
5. A growing database of resources, articles, and tools that you can use starting in middle school all the way through college graduation and beyond.

By creating a portfolio on CaliforniaColleges.edu, you will be able to:

1. Link your account to your school guidance counselor, who can better help you meet your college, financial aid, and career planning goals.
2. Track your progress towards completion of coursework-known as A-G subject requirements-needed for students to be eligible to apply to California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC).
3. Prepare and plan for success at the California Community Colleges, as well as any four-year college or university.
4. Automatically populate an application to apply for admission to the California State University (CSU) System when you are ready to apply.
5. Send transcripts to colleges for the purposes of admission and academic placement.