

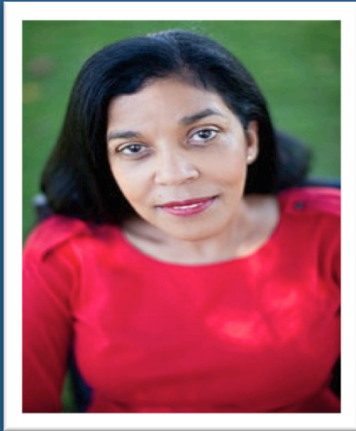
WELCOME to
9th & 10th grade
College Night



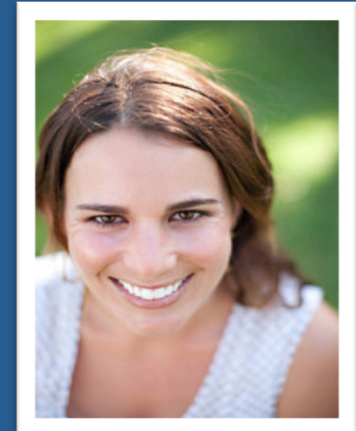
What's coming up at DVD...

- Senior parent FAFSA workshop – 2/20 @ 5:30
- Blood Drive – 2/27
- PD Day (no students) – 2/28
- Da Vinci Talent Show – 3/7
 - Practices are the next 3 Thursday at 4:30 at DVS
- Next Family Association Meeting – 3/17
- All events can be found on the blog!
 - www.design.davincischools.org

MEET YOUR COLLEGE COUNSELING TEAM



**Karen Grace-
Baker 'KGB'**
Last Names: A-K



Erin Knott
Last Names: L- Z

WHAT ARE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS REPS *LOOKING FOR? G-R-E-A-T*

- Grades:

1. grades in the classes, GPA, rigor of the classes taken (honors)
2. Admission reps will judge based on offerings at your school

- Recommendations

1. Teachers- will want max 2 letters
2. Counselor- will be required to write 1

- Essay

1. Personal Statement: CSUs- none; UCs- 2 personal statements; Common App- 1 “Common App” personal statement and each college will have their own

- Activities

1. Summer Programs , volunteering, work experience, clubs, sports

- Test Scores

1. SAT or ACT test score- never too early to prep!

DA VINCI ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS



| UC "A-G" | Da Vinci Requirements | Da Vinci Courses Offered |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| a. History/Social Science -2 yrs. required | Social Science 3 years required 5.0 credits per semester | World History US History Government/Economics |
| b. English – 4 years required | English 4 years required 5.0 credits per semester | English 9 English 10 English 11 English 12 |
| c. Mathematics – 3 years required, 4 years recommended | Mathematics 3 years required 5.0 credits per semester | Integrated Math 1/Geometry Integrated Math 2 Integrated Math 3 Pre-Calculus/Calculus/Statistics |
| d. Laboratory Science – 2 years required, 3 years recommended | Science 3 years required 5.0 credits per semester | Physics Chemistry Biology |

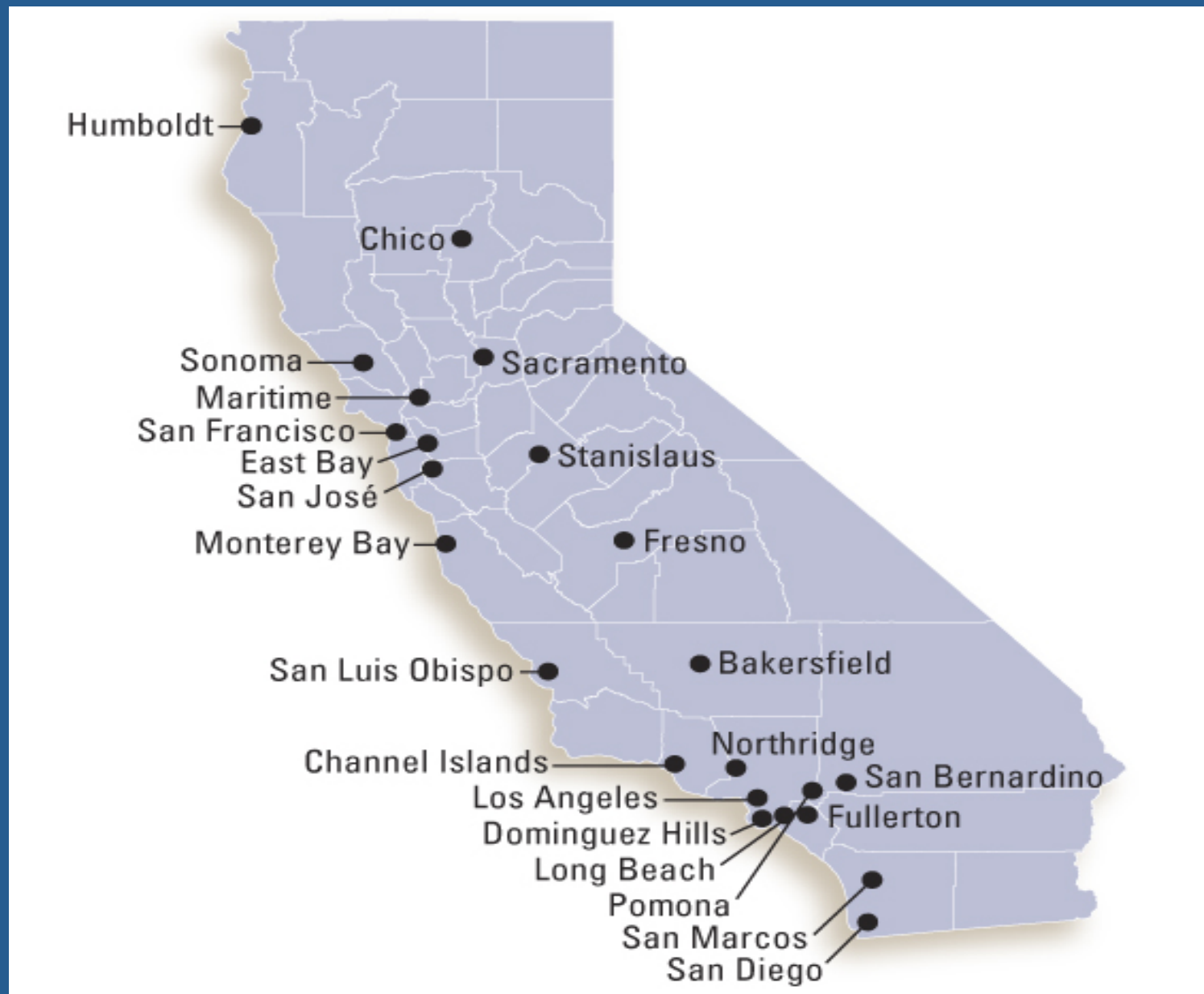
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| e. Language Other than English – 2 consecutive years required, 3 years recommended | Foreign Language 2 years required 5.0 credits per semester | Spanish 1/ASL 1 Spanish 2/ASL 2 Spanish 3 |
| f. Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) – 1 year required | Art 2 years required | Art & Design 1 Art & Design 2 Art & Design 3 Art & Design 4 |
| g. College-Preparatory Electives – 1 year required | Psychology 1 year required | Psychology |
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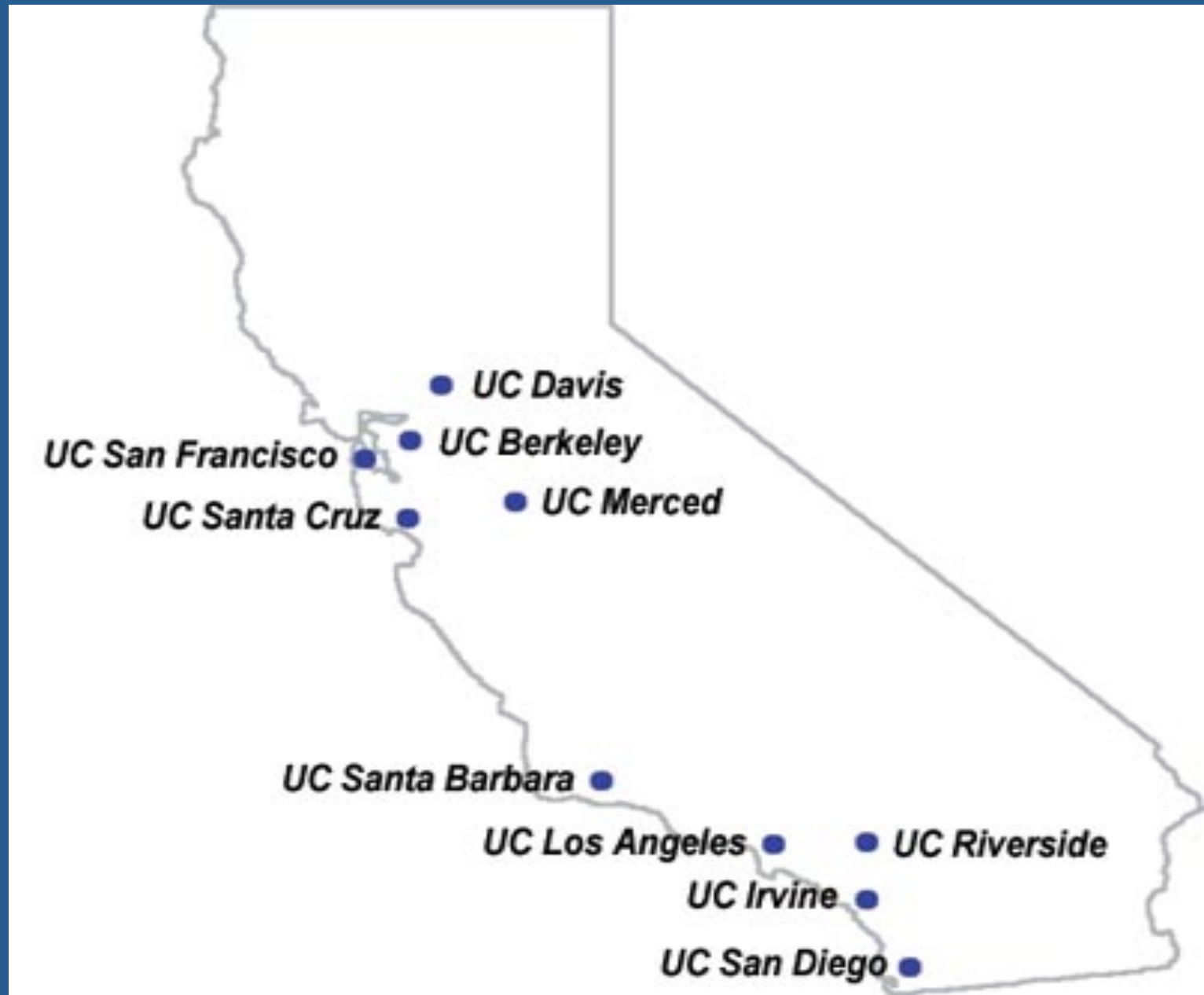
California State University- CSU

- 23 campuses in CA
- Minimum 2.0 GPA w/ meeting eligibility index
- No letters of rec or personal statements required
- Will count only 10th and 11th grades in GPA
- Applications opens Oct.1 and closes Nov. 30



University of California- UC

- 9 campuses, 1 (UCSF) is graduate only
- Minimum 3.0 GPA to apply
- 2 personal statements required
- Will count 10th and 11th grades in GPA
- Application opens Nov. 1 and closes Nov. 30



Private and Out of State Schools

- Different deadlines, different requirements-check each school's website
- Many use “Common Application”-
www.commonapp.org for a complete list
- Includes such schools as: USC, Emerson, RISD, Pepperdine, LMU, Pitzer, NYU, USD, USF, Syracuse, Kalamazoo, RIT, Occidental, Univ. of La Verne, Ohio State Univ., Brown, and many more!

Community College

- Local: El Camino College, West LA College, Southwest College, Santa Monica College, LA Trade Tech
- Apply online and then take English and Math placements to register for classes

MILESTONES FOR 9TH GRADE

1. **Know the graduation requirements**
2. **Keep up your grades!**
3. **CONSULT WITH YOUR TEACHER** early in the year and semester to determine what it takes to be recommended for a more challenging classes (i.e. honors)
4. **GET INVOLVED!**
 - Summer programs
 - Community Service
 - School clubs, activities, sports

MILESTONES FOR 10TH GRADE

1. TESTING

- Taking the PSAT test in October (Pre-SAT)

OPTIONAL Consider taking the SAT Subject tests in a strong subject-
World History, Chemistry

2. GET HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT

- Take advantage of before/after school/lunch office hours
- Check PowerSchool often (class grade, assignments, scores)
- Keep up your grades!

3. READ, READ, READ

- Positive effect on the results of the SAT or the ACT
- College interviewing questions/college application supplement questions

4. LOOK FOR WAYS TO BE INVOLVED

- Student clubs, volunteering, community service, church activities, sports, scouts, etc.
- QUALITY over Quantity
- Passionate & Committed
- Leadership/Responsibility/Growth

MILESTONES FOR 10TH GRADE

5. **KEEP A FOLDER**

- Keep track of all of your accomplishments

6. **PARTICIPATE IN COLLEGE FAIRS**

- Black College Expo- LA Convention Center- Saturday Feb. 22 9am-5pm
- National College Fair–NACAC (Pasadena Convention Center)
Thursday, May 1: 9:00am - 12:00pm and 6:00pm - 9:00pm

7. **RESEARCH AND VISIT COLLEGES**

- Naviance Family Connection
- College tours

8. **SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

- Volunteer
- Take community college courses
- Attend leadership camp
- Summer Programs

How to *Maximize* your College & Career Planning



FAMILY CONNECTION by Naviance

<http://connection.naviance.com/davincidesign>

Colleges

- Colleges I'm thinking about
- Colleges I'm applying to
- Up-coming College visits
- Super Match College Search
- College Compare
- College Look up
- Acceptance History
- Scholarship List

Careers

- Explore careers that fit student's interest
- Personality Type Inventory
- Career Interest Profiler

About Me

- List Goals
- Favorite Colleges
- Favorite Careers
- Personality Type
- Resume
- Game Plan
- Standardized Test Scores
- College planning documents

WHAT PARENTS CAN DO NOW

- ✓ Emphasize importance of grades
- ✓ Identify activity that your student enjoys and find those outlets
 - ✓ Focus on *interest* and not major
 - ✓ Explore colleges during vacations

Up-Coming Events

- Coffee & Chat w/ Counselors – March 4th
April 8th, May 13th (8 - 9am)
- College Knowledge Night – date TBD in
April (6pm-8pm)
- All Da Vinci Schools College Fair- date
TBD in April or May (6pm-8pm)