



OAKDALE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Welcome to SENIOR YEAR! This year will prove to be exciting, emotional, and at times overwhelming for your student and your family. We are here to support you through this process.

Below you will find highlights of the Senior Events, designed to help keep you informed of important senior activities and deadlines. Dates will be announced in the bulletin as they become available. We encourage you to transfer important deadlines to your home calendar. **Please note that during these unprecedented times occasionally a date, time, or location of an activity will change.** Your child can learn of any changes of dates or activities by viewing the daily bulletin, our most up-to-date information at Oakdale High School. You can access the bulletin on our school website at <http://www.oakdalehigh.com>. Students should be checking their school email for information and updates on events.

In the past, the OHS Counseling staff has hosted many important workshops as well as held classroom visits throughout the school year. At this point, it's difficult to say how these workshops will take place, but we hope to offer you and your students information in person. If we are unable to do so we will provide information virtually or through email to help navigate their senior year.

Finally, please note that scholarship information is posted throughout the year in the Career Center. Parents are encouraged to check-in with your student to make sure they are meeting scholarship deadlines. In addition, there are many websites available for scholarship searches. Every senior should fill out a Local Scholarship Application, which will allow him or her to be considered for scholarships offered by our local community. We host a scholarship workshop in the fall during their English class.

In addition, if you'd like to stay up-to-date on the different happenings in the counseling office please add us via Remind Text. There are two ways to sign-up. To receive messages via text, text @f89706 to 81010 or send an email to f89706@mail.remind.com to receive email messages. You can also follow us on Facebook (Oakdale High School Counseling) and/or Twitter (OHSCounseling1). These are the best methods of staying informed.

2021-22 Important Senior Calendar Highlights

- **Private College Workshop** (Designed for senior students interested in attending a private university.)
- **Senior Workshop** (During Gov/Econ classes for senior students.)
- **College & Career Expo** (Various representatives from different careers, colleges and universities will have tables in the old gym starting at 5pm.)
- **Senior Parent Night** (Designed for parents. This is a look at the senior year along with important dates and deadlines.)
- **ROTC Informational Workshop** (Designed for students interested in learning more about the ROTC program at the university level.)
- **Local Scholarship Workshop** (All senior students will receive information in their English classes regarding the Local Scholarship Application.)
- **Oct. 1- Nov 30, 2021: CSU Priority Application Filing Period** (Submission deadline is November 30th)



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- **CSU Info & Application Workshop** (Designed for students to learn about the CSU system and to get assistance with filling out the CSU application.)
- **UC Info & Application Workshop** (Designed for students to learn about the UC system and to get assistance with filling out the UC application.)
- **October 1, 2021: FAFSA Application opens** (Every senior should file a financial aid form. Need is based on the cost of the college minus what the government determines a family can pay. The more expensive the college, the more the student needs. Submit a FAFSA as early as possible during the filing period (Oct 1 to March 2).)
- **Financial Aid Night** (A representative will be giving a presentation on the FAFSA form and the different forms of financial aid.)
- **MJC Application, Orientation & ED Plan Workshops** (Designed to assist students with filling out the application, completing the orientation and educational plan.)
- **Columbia College Application, Orientation & ED Plan Workshops** (Designed to assist students with filling out the application, completing the orientation and educational plan.)
- **Local Scholarship Workshop** (Designed to assist students who have questions on their Local Scholarship application. Help will be available at lunch and after school.)
- **Nov 1- 30, 2021: UC Application Period** (Submission deadline is November 30th)
- **ASVAB** (The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery is a multiple-choice test, administered by the US Military Entrance Processing Command. Test is used to determine qualifications for enlistment in the US Armed Forces.)
- **Local Scholarship Workshops** (Designed to assist students who have questions on their Local Scholarship application. Help will be available at lunch.)
- **Local Scholarship App Due November 30** (Submission of application by 3pm. Every senior should file a local scholarship application. Our local businesses and alumni have provided over 100 scholarships for our students.)
- **Senior Scholarship Night May 12th** (6:00 pm in the Main gym at Oakdale High School)

Sincerely,

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CAL GRANT OPT-OUT FORM

Cal Grant gives funds to every eligible senior student who meets the requirement. A Cal Grant pays for tuition, room and board, or books and other supplies for California colleges. Cal Grant applicants must also file the FAFSA or the California Dream Act application between October 1st and March 2nd of their senior year.

OHS will electronically submit information for every senior to the California Student Aid Commission so they may be considered for a Cal Grant award.

If you DO NOT wish to have your student's information submitted electronically, please complete the opt-out information below and return the completed form to the **OHS Counseling Office by Friday, September 10, 2021.**

After that date, the information for all twelfth grade students, excluding those who opt-out, will be submitted electronically to the California Student Aid Commission for Cal Grant consideration.

The Cal Grant link for further information: <http://www.calgrants.org>

As a Parent/Guardian, I am exercising the right to "opt-out" and request that you do not electronically submit my student's information to the California Student Aid Commission for Cal Grant consideration. I realize that by opting out, my student will not be considered for a Cal Grant award.

School: **Oakdale High School**

Student Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date