

# Why take a 4<sup>th</sup> year of math?

Seniors: There are some strong reasons to take a 4<sup>th</sup> year of math

#### THE MATH COURSE YOU TAKE INFLUENCES COLLEGE ADMISSIONS

Although you will meet your A-G requirements by passing Algebra II with a C or better, many colleges and universities recommend taking additional math while in high school. Taking any 4<sup>th</sup> year math course makes you more competitive in the college application process.

### YOU WILL HAVE TO TAKE MATH IN COLLEGE

It is almost certain that you will have to take at least one math course in college. Taking a year off from exposure to math could result in forgetting key math ideas and concepts, hurting your chances of success in your College math course.

## CSU's NEW POLICY REWARDS STUDENTS WHO TAKE A 4<sup>th</sup> YEAR OF MATH

New guidelines approved by the California State University (CSU) place students into college level math based on courses taken in HS, GPA, SAT/ACT scores, and your 11<sup>th</sup> grade Smarter Balanced Assessment score. **Passing a 4<sup>th</sup> year math course with a C or better can bump students up to college level math as a freshman**. Going straight into a General Education (GE) or higher math course means you won't have to take support classes in college or attend Summer Early Start programs before you start at CSU.

### DON'T WAIT, GET STARTED TODAY

Talk with your academic advisor or counselor about the math options you have available at your school. They can answer any questions you have.



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