

College & Career Readiness Survey 2024-25

[NOTE: Students do not see every question. Some depend on student responses to previous questions.]

Graduation Date

Are you graduating from high school this school year (2024-2025)?*

- ☐ Yes, I will graduate in June
- ☐ Yes, I will graduate after summer school
- ☐ I plan to graduate **next** school year (2025-2026)
- ☐ I am not sure when I will graduate

High School Activities #1

During your high school years, did you: *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Create an Individualized Graduation Plan (e.g., a plan that lets you know what classes you need to graduate)?
- ☐ Learn how to calculate your Grade Point Average (GPA)?
- ☐ Learn to read your transcript?
- ☐ None of the above

During your high school years, did you: *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Create a career plan?
- ☐ Learn about different careers?
- ☐ Complete a career inventory (e.g., a series of questions about your career interests)?
- ☐ Attend a career fair?
- ☐ Write a resume?
- ☐ Complete a job application?
- ☐ Participate in a practice interview?
- ☐ Work toward or earn an industry certificate?
- ☐ Create a portfolio?
- ☐ None of the above

High School Activities #2

During your high school years, did you: *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Create a college plan?
- ☐ Attend a college fair?
- ☐ Visit a college campus?
- ☐ Take a virtual tour of a college campus?
- ☐ None of the above

During your high school years, did you: *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Learn about different types of colleges?
- ☐ Learn about different college majors?
- ☐ Learn about the academic requirements for getting into different colleges?
- ☐ Learn about the types of extracurricular activities that are helpful for getting into college?
- ☐ Learn about how much different types of colleges cost and about financial aid?
- ☐ None of the above

Work-based learning opportunities

What types of work-based learning opportunities did you participate in that were offered by your school?*

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Schoolwide projects (e.g., guest speakers, professional judging of student projects, career-specific field trips)
- ☐ Community-based projects (work on a project to improve community)
- ☐ Projects working with professionals (e.g., doctors, filmmakers, chefs)
- ☐ Simulated workplace experiences (e.g., Virtual Enterprise or experiences that are similar to an office or workplace)
- ☐ Paid or unpaid work experience (work or volunteer at any location)
- ☐ Paid internships linked to curriculum (e.g., medical pathway student work at a hospital)
- ☐ Unpaid internships linked to curriculum (e.g., medical pathway student work at a hospital)
- ☐ Financial literacy training (e.g., how to open a bank account, pay taxes, create a budget)
- ☐ None of the above

Test Taking 1

How true are the following statements?

	Not at all true	A little true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Completely true
Most adults at my school expect me to go to college.	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have talked to me about different college choices for my future.	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have talked to me about different career choices for my future.	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have helped me learn about how to find free online help for the SAT or ACT.	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have helped me learn about different ways to pay for college (such as FAFSA/CADAA, grants, scholarships, or loans).	()	()	()	()	()

Test Taking 2

How true are the following statements?

	Not at all true	A little true	Somewhat true	Mostly true	Completely true
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Adults at my school have helped me learn the details of getting into college (completing applications, financial aid, etc.).	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have helped me learn about the types of colleges that are the best fit for me.	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have given me feedback on my college or scholarship application essays.	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have helped me fill out my college applications.	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have helped me learn how to get fee waivers for college applications.	()	()	()	()	()
Adults at my school have helped me learn the steps I need to take to apply for financial aid.	()	()	()	()	()

High School Counseling

During this school year, how many times did you meet one-on-one with a high school or college counselor to get help with...

Please include online meetings and phone calls.

	Never	Once	Twice	Three times	Four times	Five or more times
applying to colleges or universities?	()	()	()	()	()	()
applying for financial aid?	()	()	()	()	()	()
reviewing financial aid award letters?	()	()	()	()	()	()
choosing which college to attend?	()	()	()	()	()	()
exploring career interests?	()	()	()	()	()	()
matching your career interest to a college major?	()	()	()	()	()	()
finding a job?	()	()	()	()	()	()

High School Activities #3

During this school year, did you... *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Attend a college fair?
- ☐ Visit a college campus?
- ☐ None of the above

During this school year, did you... *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Write a college application essay?
- ☐ Create other college application materials (a writing or art portfolio, an audition tape)?
- ☐ Ask for a letter of reference?
- ☐ **Fill out** a college application?
- ☐ **Submit** a college application?
- ☐ Complete an Educational Opportunity Program application?
- ☐ None of the above

College Application Tasks #1

During this school year, did you... *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ **Submit** the FAFSA or California DREAM Act (CADAA) application?
- ☐ Complete a scholarship application?
- ☐ None of the above

During this school year, did you register or plan to register for community college?*

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

College Access Program Help with Applications

This year, did a college access program or organization help you with the college planning or application process?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know

Which program(s) or organization(s) helped you with the college planning or application process?

- ☐ AVID
- ☐ College Bound
- ☐ College Match
- ☐ Early Academic Outreach Program (EAOP)
- ☐ Fulfillment Fund
- ☐ GEAR UP
- ☐ Neighborhood Academic Initiative (NAI)
- ☐ MESA
- ☐ Puente
- ☐ Educational Talent Search
- ☐ Upward Bound
- ☐ Other

College Help 1

This school year, do you wish you had received more help with:

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Sending test scores to colleges (for example, SAT, SAT II, ACT, AP, IB)?
- ☐ Sending transcripts to colleges?
- ☐ None of the above

This school year, do you wish you had received more help with:

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Choosing which colleges to apply to?
- ☐ Filling out college applications?
- ☐ Writing college application essays?
- ☐ Putting together other materials for your application?
- ☐ Writing a resume?
- ☐ Asking for letters of reference?
- ☐ None of the above

College Help 2

This school year, do you wish you had received more help with:

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Completing financial aid forms (for example, FAFSA or California DREAM Act (CADA))?
- ☐ Applying for scholarships?
- ☐ Comparing financial aid offers from different colleges?
- ☐ Choosing which college to enroll in?
- ☐ Applying or registering for community college?
- ☐ Completing college enrollment paperwork?
- ☐ None of the above
- ☐ Other

Educational Expectations

What is the highest level of education that you PLAN to complete?

- ☐ I do not plan to complete high school
- ☐ GED or other high school equivalency test
- ☐ Alternative certificate of completion
- ☐ High school diploma
- ☐ Technical vocational school certificate (examples: certified nursing assistant, emergency medical technician, welding, cosmetology, automotive repair, etc.)
- ☐ Two-year college degree – A.A. (from community colleges such as Santa Monica College, Pierce College, El Camino College, East Los Angeles College, etc.)
- ☐ Four-year college degree – B.A./B.S. (from colleges such as CSUN, UCLA, CSULA, UC Irvine, USC, etc.)
- ☐ Graduate degree – M.A. or Ph.D. (for careers such as teacher, psychologist, lawyer, doctor, professor)
- ☐ I am unsure of my plans

What is your best guess about the highest level of education that you plan to complete?

- ☐ I do not plan to complete high school
- ☐ GED or other high school equivalency test
- ☐ Alternative certificate of completion
- ☐ High school diploma
- ☐ Technical vocational school certificate (examples: certified nursing assistant, emergency medical technician, welding, cosmetology, automotive repair, etc.)
- ☐ Two-year college degree – A.A. (from community colleges such as Santa Monica College, Pierce College, El Camino College, East Los Angeles College, etc.)
- ☐ Four-year college degree – B.A./B.S. (from colleges such as CSUN, UCLA, CSULA, UC Irvine, USC, etc.)
- ☐ Graduate degree – M.A. or Ph.D. (for careers such as teacher, psychologist, lawyer, doctor, professor)

College Plans 1

Do you plan to attend college next year?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

Do you plan to attend college after you graduate from high school?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

Do you plan to attend college full time or part time?

- ☐ Full time
- ☐ Part time
- ☐ I don't know

What type of program will you be enrolled in?

- ☐ Bachelor's degree program (usually a four-year degree)
- ☐ Associate degree program (usually a two-year degree)
- ☐ Transfer program without an Associate degree (usually two-years of coursework before transferring to a four-year college)
- ☐ Certificate or diploma program from a school that provides occupational training (usually takes 2 years or less to complete, often leading to a license, such as cosmetology or medical assistant)
- ☐ No specific program, but I will be taking courses
- ☐ Other
- ☐ I don't know

Do you plan to transfer to a four-year college from your two-year college?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

Four-Year College Applications

How many four-year colleges did you apply to this year (2024-2025)?*

(Four-year colleges are colleges that offer a B.A. or B.S. degree, including colleges such as California State University-Northridge, CSULA, UCLA, UC Irvine, USC, etc.)

If you did not apply to any four-year colleges, please select "0".

- ☐ 0
- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 4
- ☐ 5
- ☐ 6
- ☐ 7
- ☐ 8
- ☐ 9
- ☐ 10
- ☐ 11-15
- ☐ 16 or more

Did you apply to any of the following University of California campuses?*

- ☐ UC Berkeley
- ☐ UC Davis
- ☐ UC Irvine
- ☐ UCLA
- ☐ UC Merced
- ☐ UC Riverside
- ☐ UC San Diego
- ☐ UC Santa Barbara
- ☐ UC Santa Cruz
- ☐ I did not apply to any University of California campuses

Did you apply to any of the following California State University campuses?*

- ☐ California State University, Bakersfield
- ☐ California State University, Channel Islands
- ☐ California State University, Chico
- ☐ California State University, Dominguez Hills
- ☐ California State University, East Bay
- ☐ California State University, Fresno
- ☐ California State University, Fullerton
- ☐ California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt
- ☐ California State University, Long Beach
- ☐ California State University, Los Angeles
- ☐ California State University Maritime Academy
- ☐ California State University, Monterey Bay
- ☐ California State University, Northridge
- ☐ California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- ☐ California State University, Sacramento
- ☐ California State University, San Bernardino
- ☐ San Diego State University
- ☐ San Francisco State University
- ☐ San José State University
- ☐ California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- ☐ California State University, San Marcos
- ☐ Sonoma State University
- ☐ California State University, Stanislaus
- ☐ I did not apply to any University of California campuses

Community Colleges #1

Have you applied or registered, or plan to register, for any community colleges or vocational/technical programs?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Did you apply or register at any of the following community colleges?*

- ☐ Cerritos College
- ☐ College of the Canyons
- ☐ East Los Angeles College
- ☐ El Camino College
- ☐ Glendale Community College
- ☐ Los Angeles City College
- ☐ Los Angeles Harbor College
- ☐ Los Angeles Mission College
- ☐ Los Angeles Pierce College
- ☐ Los Angeles Southwest College
- ☐ Los Angeles Trade-Tech College
- ☐ Los Angeles Valley College

- ☐ Long Beach City College
 - ☐ Pasadena City College
 - ☐ Santa Monica College
 - ☐ West Los Angeles College
 - ☐ Other Community College
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CSU College Applications

Below is a list of the 23 California State University (CSU's) campuses. Please use this list to answer the following question:

Did you apply to any California State Universities (CSU's)?*

- ☐ Yes, I applied to at least one
- ☐ No, I did not apply to any
- ☐ I don't know

Were you accepted or conditionally accepted to at least 1 of these CSU's?

- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
 - ☐ Unsure
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UC College Applications

Below is a list of the 9 University of California (UC) campuses. Please use this list to answer the following question:

Did you apply to any University of California (UC)?*

- ☐ Yes, I applied to at least one
- ☐ No, I did not apply to any
- ☐ I don't know

Were you accepted or conditionally accepted to at least 1 of these UC's?

- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
 - ☐ Unsure
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California Private College Applications

Below are some examples of Private Colleges and Universities in California. Using the list of Private Colleges and Universities in California, and thinking of others like them that are not included, please answer the following:

Did you apply to any Private Colleges or Universities in California?*

- ☐ Yes, I applied to at least one
- ☐ No, I did not apply to any
- ☐ I don't know

Were you accepted or conditionally accepted to at least 1 Private Colleges and Universities in California?

- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
 - ☐ Unsure
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HBCU College Applications

Below are some examples of Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU's) across the country. Using the list of Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU's), and thinking of others like them that are not included, please answer the following:

Did you apply to any Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU's)?*

- ☐ Yes, I applied to at least one
- ☐ No, I did not apply to any
- ☐ I don't know

Were you accepted or conditionally accepted to at least 1 Historical Black Colleges and Universities?

- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
 - ☐ Unsure
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Ivy League College Applications

Below is the list of Ivy League Universities. Using the list of Ivy League Universities, please answer the following:

Did you apply to any Ivy League Universities?*

- ☐ Yes, I applied to at least one
- ☐ No, I did not apply to any
- ☐ I don't know

Were you accepted or conditionally accepted to at least 1 of these Ivy League Universities?

- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
 - ☐ Unsure
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Public Out of State College Applications

Below are some examples of Public Out of State Colleges and Universities across the country. Using the list of Public Out of State Colleges and Universities, and thinking of others like them that are not included, please answer the following:

Did you apply to any Public Out of State Colleges or Universities?*

- ☐ Yes, I applied to at least one
- ☐ No, I did not apply to any
- ☐ I don't know

Were you accepted or conditionally accepted to at least 1 of these Public Out of State Colleges or Universities?

- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
 - ☐ Unsure
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Liberal Arts College Applications

Below are some examples of Liberal Arts Colleges across the country. Using the list of Liberal Arts Colleges, and thinking of others like them that are not included, please answer the following:

Did you apply to any Liberal Arts Colleges?*

- ☐ Yes, I applied to at least one
- ☐ No, I did not apply to any
- ☐ I don't know

Were you accepted or conditionally accepted to at least 1 Liberal Arts Colleges?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
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Four-year College Acceptances**Which of the following colleges were you accepted to?**

	Accepted	Conditionally Accepted	Waitlisted	Not Accepted	I have not heard back
California State University, Bakersfield	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Channel Islands	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Chico	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Dominguez Hills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, East Bay	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Fresno	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Fullerton	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Long Beach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Los Angeles	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University Maritime Academy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Monterey Bay	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
California State University, Northridge	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona	()	()	()	()	()
California State University, Sacramento	()	()	()	()	()
California State University, San Bernardino	()	()	()	()	()
San Diego State University	()	()	()	()	()
San Francisco State University	()	()	()	()	()
San José State University	()	()	()	()	()
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	()	()	()	()	()
California State University, San Marcos	()	()	()	()	()
Sonoma State University	()	()	()	()	()
California State University, Stanislaus	()	()	()	()	()
UC Berkeley	()	()	()	()	()
UC Davis	()	()	()	()	()
UC Irvine	()	()	()	()	()
UCLA	()	()	()	()	()
UC Merced	()	()	()	()	()
UC Riverside	()	()	()	()	()
UC San Diego	()	()	()	()	()
UC Santa Barbara	()	()	()	()	()
UC Santa Cruz	()	()	()	()	()

Four-year College Financial Aid

What types of financial aid were you offered by the four-year colleges where you were accepted?*

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Cal Grant A, B, and/or C
 - ☐ Pell Grant
 - ☐ Scholarship
 - ☐ Work study
 - ☐ Chaffee grant
 - ☐ Middle class scholarship
 - ☐ Military family grant
 - ☐ Another type of financial aid
 - ☐ I didn't receive financial aid
 - ☐ I don't know
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Two-year College Financial Aid

What types of financial aid were you offered by the community colleges to which you applied or registered?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Cal Grant A, B, and/or C
 - ☐ Pell Grant
 - ☐ Scholarship
 - ☐ Work study
 - ☐ California College Promise Grant
 - ☐ Another type of financial aid
 - ☐ I didn't receive financial aid
 - ☐ I don't know
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College Enrollment #1

Which college do you plan to attend next year?

- ☐ California State University, Bakersfield
- ☐ California State University, Channel Islands
- ☐ California State University, Chico
- ☐ California State University, Dominguez Hills
- ☐ California State University, East Bay
- ☐ California State University, Fresno
- ☐ California State University, Fullerton
- ☐ California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt
- ☐ California State University, Long Beach
- ☐ California State University, Los Angeles
- ☐ California State University Maritime Academy
- ☐ California State University, Monterey Bay
- ☐ California State University, Northridge
- ☐ California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
- ☐ California State University, Sacramento
- ☐ California State University, San Bernardino
- ☐ San Diego State University
- ☐ San Francisco State University
- ☐ San José State University
- ☐ California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

	Not at all worried	A little worried	Somewhat worried	Very worried	Extremely worried	Not Applicable
completing the paperwork required to enroll in college next year (health forms, housing paperwork)?	()	()	()	()	()	()
paying your tuition and fees next year?	()	()	()	()	()	()

paying for your textbooks next year?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
paying for your housing next year?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
paying for food or other expenses next year?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
accessing transportation to the college you plan to attend?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
doing well in your college classes?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
making friends in college?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
fitting in socially at college?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
taking out student loans to pay for college next year?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

College plans

Where do you plan to live while you are attending college?

- ☐ Dorm (on-campus housing)
- ☐ Off-campus housing (not with family)
- ☐ At home with family
- ☐ With another family member
- ☐ I don't know
- ☐ Other