

COLLEGE CORNER

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Seniors: Congratulations on your completion of four years of high school education. The entire faculty and staff wish you God Speed on your college journey.

Underclass women: Do something constructive with your summer! Get a job, travel, do community service, serve an internship, take a course for enrichment or to get ahead, take a **SAT/ACT** prep course, read books, visit colleges. All of this will help later in the college application process. But enjoy your down time too - so you come back refreshed in the fall to continue your high school work.

Remedial summer courses are being offered at Mater Dei, Servite and online through the University of California. The California Virtual High School Summer Academy offers courses that meet the UC a-g requirements. Go to www.cavhs.org. Click on "Enroll in Summer Courses Now" under "Students".

Information on test prep courses, classes, individual and online, is available in the College Center.

Many colleges and universities offer summer programs. Come to the College Center and explore the opportunities.

Important Dates:

June 4 **SAT Reasoning & Subject Tests**

June 11 **ACT**

Scholarships/Opportunities (see Mrs. Anderson if interested):

- Chela *Our Gateway to Success* program scholarships – visit www.askcheac.org - application deadline 5/31
- Community Contribution Scholarship from ERCA – applications in College Center or at www.studentresearch.org - available to all high school students – postmark deadline **6/17**
- Presidential Freedom Scholarships recognize juniors and seniors for leadership and community service (100 hours or more) – information at www.cns.gov/scholarships - final postmark deadline **7/1**
- Playtex Achievement Scholarships – online at www.collegebound.net/playtex for entry and official rules – reception deadline **7/31**

College Information:

This year's graduating class had not only great overall SAT scores but wonderful college acceptances. Some of that data is shared with you below.

average SAT I verbal 577 – SAT I math 548 – composite SAT I 1125 - % taking: 84%
average ACT composite 24 - % taking: 23%

The University of California accepts the top 12% of California high school students. 56% of Connelly's Class of 2005 applicants were accepted! 4 to Berkeley, 1 to Davis, 8 to Irvine, 5 to UCLA, 3 to Merced, 3 to Riverside, 4 to San Diego, 3 to Santa Barbara, and 3 to Santa Cruz.

The graduates will be attending: California Polytechnic State Universities at Pomona & San Luis Obispo, California State University at Fullerton (7), Chapman University, Concordia University, Davidson College (NC), Fullerton College (4), Gonzaga University (WA), Loyola Marymount University, Loyola University New Orleans (LA), Marymount College, Notre Dame de Namur University, Pace University (NY), San Jose State University, Santa Ana College (2), Santa Clara University, United States Military Academy at Westpoint (NY), University of Arizona, University of California Universities at Berkeley, Irvine (2), Los Angeles, Merced. San Diego (2) & Santa Barbara, University of San Diego and Yale University (CT). A few girls are still undecided.