



CUNN'S WEEKLY NEWS UPDATE

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Dear Titan Community,

I hope each of you are enjoying the long weekend, taking some time to enjoy the people, places and activities that support your well-being.

Alternative Schedule February 20-23

Please note the [alternative schedule](#) for next week.

Incomplete Grades (all grades)

Students earning an Incomplete or "I" at the end of first semester have until March 9th to have their "I" changed into a letter grade. If a grade change is not submitted the "I" becomes an "F" for those courses.

Course Registration (all grades)

The course registration window for 2018-2019 has now closed. In the coming weeks, counselors will be providing students with an opportunity to verify that the requests captured in Infinite Campus are accurate. All students need to complete the Time Management Worksheet and AP/Honors Contract if you are taking an Honors and/or AP class. These can be found on Schoology under the courses tab and your current grade level. Each student will need to print and turn in those two forms to the counseling office by February 26, 2018.

Please direct any follow up questions to your counselor.

Appointments with Counselors (all grades)

Our counselors are available for drop-ins before school, during brunch, lunch or after school. Appointments can be requested via the pink slips in the counselor's door or via email. Parents are encouraged to contact the counselor directly via email or through the counseling department to request appointments. We may be in classrooms or meeting with students and want to be able to provide you the necessary time and supports for your individual questions.

Summer School (all grades)

The summer school website: <https://www.pausd.org/programs/summer-school>

Counselors will continue to enroll students for summer school classes that are “credit recovery.”

For student registration of classes, registration will go live on March 7th at 8AM.

Self-registration is only applicable for the following courses:

1. Living Skills (priority to rising 11th and 12th grade students)
2. Economics
3. Work/Exploratory Experience
4. Bridge to Geometry A (rising 9th graders)
5. Geometry A (rising 10th graders)
6. Transition to Calculus

To register for these classes on the summer school website the following information is required:

1. Student’s Infinite Campus ID Number
2. Student’s email address
3. Parent email address
4. Phone number

College and Career Corner (11th and 12th grade)

Juniors: Approximately 25% of you are left to set your appointments with Mrs. Kirsch. If you want your student seen without you being present, please let Mrs. Kirsch know. Otherwise, contact Mala at GHScollegeandcareercenter@gmail.com. Volunteers are sending reminders to those who have not yet booked. If after the final reminder round, if you have not responded, then your student will be called in for the meeting.

Seniors: March Madness for you is hearing from colleges. If you need help deciding or are concerned about how to deal with the price tags you were given, please make contact with Mrs Kirsch or Mr Lang. If you are wait-listed to a place you really, really want...get advice on what next steps should be from any of us in the guidance team.

Gunn Scholarship Process:

A scholarship listing is compiled and updated weekly to assist students and their parents who are looking for scholarships in your **Family Connection account with Naviance** under the “colleges” tab then scroll down to “scholarship list”.

The Gunn scholarship process goes through the College and Career Center, so please have recommendations sent to Mr. Lang. Students’ transcripts for scholarships are free and will be provided with the completed scholarship application by Mr. Lang. Your scholarship packet must be submitted to the College and Career Center three (3) days before the deadline. Students are responsible for the cost to mail the scholarship application.

Student's interested in applying for the **Gunn Foundation Scholarship** must complete a [Gunn Foundation](#) online application by **Tuesday, March 6, 2018**. Filling out this application is essential if you wish to be considered.

Save the Date

- Feb 22: "**Out of State Public College Info Night**" will be held at Paly at 7 PM in the Media Arts building Atrium. Info on how to save money and why this is a real option.
- Mar 1: **Foothill Middle College** in the Staff Lounge @10:05 AM.
- Mar 3: **GAP Fair** in Los Altos 12 to 3 at Los Altos High.
- Mar 21: **Looking at the Statistics Connected to College**. The "O list" founder will be here to share her insights. Staff Lounge at 7 PM.
- March 28th: **Community College Information Night** in the Gunn library at 6:30 to 8:00 PM.
- April 24: **The Changing Trends in College Admissions**. Felica Fahey will speak on this important topic. Gunn Staff Lounge at 7 PM.
- Apr 28: **College Fair** at the Cow Palace from 1:30-4:30 PM.
- May 3: **College Fair** at West Valley, all day and closes at 8 PM.

Wellness Center Update (all grades)

We are excited to announce an opportunity from the [RISE Task Force](#) with details related to our collaboration with Anea Bogue. Please join us for one of two upcoming events on [Building Healthy Relationships & A Culture of Consent](#) as we work together on behalf of safety for all students. More information included in the above link.

SELF Update (9th grade)

This week, students will be speaking one-on-one with their teachers about academic strategies that are most successful for them, as well as their recent progress report grades, and the upcoming end of the quarter. Also, please note that last week, students talked about effective collaborating instead of strategies for memorization. The lesson emphasized the importance of equal participation, being open-minded, presuming positive intentions, active listening, and disagreeing without being disagreeable in effective collaborations; students moved through three stations to role-play, demonstrate and explore the main themes of the lesson. They also played a team-building game to demonstrate the concepts learned in class.

Sources of Strength (all grades)

Sources of Strength student leaders met Thursday at lunch this week to check in on upcoming projects. They also had small group conversations about the Sources of Strength wheel and how they can encourage friends and family to use the wedges during stressful times in the semester.

Upcoming projects include the Healthy Activities Walk, which will be held after school on March 2 in the amphitheater. The Dress Like Your Mentor challenge will also happen in March. All students are welcome to participate. There will be a Sources of Strength training for new and returning student leaders in April, so look for more details about that next week.

If you are interested in finding out more about Sources of Strength, please visit the national website at www.sourcesofstrength.org or follow the Gunn Sources of Strength Instagram account [@gunnsourcesofstrength](https://www.instagram.com/gunnsourcesofstrength).

AP Testing (all grades)

AP Exam registration is now available. Early registration ends February 28 and late registration continues until March 26. You may visit www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/052347 to register for AP Exams. Please see the middle section on the main Gunn web page for more information. For questions, please contact Mr. Jack Ballard (jballard@pausd.org).

Please Support PiE

Thank you to all that have supported Partners in Education (PiE). The donations to PiE continue to support many programs at Gunn, including our guidance department. Your donations have made a difference for all students at Gunn.

Thanks for your engagement,

Mike Heffner
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