

CANYON CREST ACADEMY
MONTHLY CHECKLIST FOR SENIORS AND THEIR PARENTS
2009-2010

KEEP THIS REMINDER TO HELP NAVIGATE MAJOR SENIOR YEAR ACTIVITIES
UPDATES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE
www.sduhsd.net/cc (Under Key Info: Seniors)

DECEMBER

- December 2 8am (Late Start Day) - Senior Class Photo in Quad
- Last testing dates for ACT and SAT accepted by most colleges for the current year.

JANUARY

- Jostens mails **home** information packets to order Graduation Announcements, caps and gowns. Keep an eye out for these over winter break!
- Jostens deadline for ordering graduation announcements, cap and gown, rings etc. is January 12 & 13 (at lunch)**

FEBRUARY

- Winter Formal - January 23 at On Broadway in SD Gaslamp. Check ASB Website for details
- Turn in Grad Nite Portrait Package
- February 11 - Spring Back to School Night
- February 16 - Senior Parent Info Night (SPIN) regarding Grad Nite, Theater, 6:30pm
- February 19 - Grad Nite T-Shirt Design Contest Closes
- Purchase Grad Nite Tickets before price increase (see below for details.)

MARCH

- "Dollars for Scholars" Applications available in Counseling Office or online
- March 1 - FAFSA Deadline (Financial Aid for College/University)**
- March 30 - "Dollars for Scholars" Applications Due**

APRIL

- April 1 Deadline for Grad Nite Portrait Package
- Lottery for reserved seats at graduation - Contact Lise Shanahan from CCA Foundation
- April 28 - 9am, Mandatory Senior Meeting in Proscenium Theater (Students Only)**

MAY

- Graduation Announcements arrive from Jostens - Students pick-up during lunch, first week of May
- Junior-Senior Prom - May 15 at Westin Emerald Plaza, in Downtown San Diego. Check CCA Website for details
- "Dollars for Scholars" Awards Ceremony - Check CCA Website for detail

JUNE

- June 1 - Senior Awards Ceremony. Check CCA Website for details
- June 10 & 11- Senior Finals**
- June 11- Senior Check-Out**
- Senior Week Activities Below are Tentative. Check School Website for final details*
- June 14 - Senior Activity - Disneyland Trip. Buses depart at 8:30am and return at 10:30pm. More details will be posted on website
- June 15 - Senior Activity - Dance, Location TBA
- June 16 - Senior Activity - Yearbook Signing
- June 17 - Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal Time TBA
- Senior Week Activity - Senior Lunch from Chipotle Grill in the Proscenium Theatre
- June 17- Grad Nite Preview -Parents/guests only - See the gym decorated for Grad Nite.
- June 18 - Graduation Ceremony at 1:30 p.m.
- June 18 - Grad Nite - 10:00 p.m.- 5:00 a.m.

Check CCA Web Site for updates and any changes.

UPCOMING INFORMATION FOR CCA SENIORS AND THEIR PARENTS 2009-2010

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SENIOR PORTRAITS:

When: It is advisable to have this done the summer before Senior year begins.
Where: Studio of your choice.
Cost: Varies by studio.
Contact: Studio of your choice; Keane Studios is the only studio to be used if you'd like it to appear in Yearbook.
Info: This is a great time in your student's life to capture him/her in a portrait.
Most studios offer a variety of poses and costs.
Parents may want to use one of these photos in the Senior Yearbook Ad (See Section "Senior Yearbook Ad").

SENIOR YEARBOOK AD:

When: Information with instructions are on Mr. Gaughn's website (<http://teachers.sduhsd.net/mgaughen/CCAYbk0809.htm>)
Where: Parents submit materials to Yearbook Staff in Room F-206, mail them to CCA Attention Michael Gaughen, or deliver them to the CCA Front Desk. Deadline was November.
Cost: \$200 with ASB/\$225 w/o ASB. All ads will be half page and in color. Payment due October.
Contact: Michael Gaughen, CCA Yearbook Advisor - 350-0253 X 4196 or Michael.Gaughen@sduhsd.net .
Info: This is a great surprise project for parents to present to their Senior!
Start collecting favorite photos - baby picture, sports picture, formal picture, etc.
Message - Tell your Senior how proud you are of him/her, and what your hopes are for his/her future.
Layout - Follow the guidelines offered on yearbook website by the Yearbook staff in September.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FOR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS:

When: Log into Naviance to complete the Brag Packet and request teacher or counselor letters of recommendation. Deadlines posted on Naviance and Counseling Website.

SENIOR CLASS PHOTO:

When: Photo taken on December 2, 8am (late start day) in the amphitheater with Continental Breakfast provided.
Where: On campus—Quad
Cost: Optional cost for keepsake photo.
Contact: Erica Williams, ASB Director
Info: This is a group photo of the entire Senior class.
This photo will appear in the Yearbook. Dress is typical school attire.

WINTER FORMAL:

*** NOT A "SENIOR ONLY" EVENT ***

When: January 23
Where: On Broadway, San Diego Gaslamp Quarter
Cost: Tickets cost TBA
Transportation: Provide own.
Contact: CCA ASB (More information on CCA ASB website, www.ccaasb.com)
Info: Tradition: girl invites boy.
Dress: Formal (gowns for girls, tuxedos for boys).

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS:

When: Applications available in March 1, 2010 and due March 30th. Eligible applicants interviewed in April.
Where: Applications available at on CCA website - Counseling link.
Contact: Laurie Doyle, ldoyle411@san.rr.com (858) 922-0857
Info: One-time scholarships ranging from \$500 - \$1,000 to Seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA, chosen through an application process which includes an essay, teacher recommendation, and personal interviews. The scholarships recognize students' involvement in a wide range of activities and interests, including employment.
The scholarships are awarded at an evening ceremony in May on the CCA campus.

SENIOR GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS, RINGS and MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

When: Order forms will be mailed to your HOME in late December/early January.
Place orders at lunch January 12 & 13
Orders arrive at school during the first week of May - Students pick up during lunch.

Where: Jostens Company. 619-421-4578.

Cost: Varies depending on items and quantities ordered.

Info: Announcements are about \$1.25 each. Thank you cards and other items are also available for purchase.

GRADUATION CAPS, GOWNS, and TASSELS:

When: Order forms will be mailed to your HOME in late December/Early January
Orders are placed at lunch on January 12 & 13
Students pick up orders in June. Check website for specific date.

Where: Jostens Company.

Cost: To Be Determined

Contact: Jostens Representative, 619-421-4578.

Info: This is a purchase - Rentals are not available.
These items are yours to keep, and may be used again by siblings when they graduate from CCA.

REGISTRAR:

When: March- exact days will be posted at school for students.

Where: CCA Registrar's Office in Counseling Center

Contact: Carol Oszewski, Registrar Carol.Oszewski@sduhsd.net, 350-0253 X4006.

Info: Student verifies correct spelling of name as it will appear on High School Diploma. Lists will be posted outside of Registrar's office in Counseling Office. Birth certificate name will be used. Only changes that can be made are to middle name. Seniors need to make corrections and note middle name changes if any, and sign off on the list.

GRADUATION ORCHID LEIS:

When: NOW!

Where: Delivered to Seniors on Graduation Day at check-in just prior to the ceremony.

Cost: \$20.00

Contact: Laurie Doyle, ldoyle411@san.rr.com (858) 922-0857

Info: This is a wonderful personal accolade for both male and female graduates - it is not mandatory.

SPIN (Senior Parent Info Night)

When: February 16, 2010, 6:30pm (Tentative Times). Check Grad Nite website for more info.

Where: CCA Proscenium Theater

Contact: Linda James, ljj4@att.net

Info: Grad Nite activities explained in detail and parent questions answered.

SENIOR MEETING - MANDATORY FOR STUDENTS

When: April 28th

When: 9am (During STAR Testing schedule, Seniors have no classes)

Where: Proscenium Theater

Contact: Elloise Allen, Assistant Principal, ext. 4003

Info: Meeting in the theater regarding senior finals, senior check-out procedures, graduation procedures and expectations, as well as any Senior Class Council items that need to be voted on or discussed.

SENIOR DANCE:

When: June 15

Where: TBA

Cost: Part of the Senior Week Passport cost

Transportation: Provide own.

Contact: CCA ASB - www.ccaasb.com

Info: Dress: Very Casual or Theme related attire.

PROM: * THIS IS A JUNIOR & SENIOR ONLY EVENT *

When: May 15, 7-11pm

Where: Westin Emerald Plaza, Downtown San Diego

Cost: To Be Determined

Transportation: Provide own.

AWARDS CEREMONY:

When: June 1
Where: Theater
Contact: Counseling Office.
Info: Seniors who receive awards will be notified.

SENIOR WEEK and FINALS:

When: Week of Graduation
Where: [SEE BELOW].
Cost: **Cost to be Determined** for Senior Week Activity Passport, including Disneyland Trip.
THESE COSTS ARE SEPARATE FROM GRAD NITE ADMISSION!
Contact: CCA ASB Office
Info: Senior Week Activity Passports must be purchased to participate in any activity labeled 'Senior Week Activity'. Passports on sale beginning February before school, after school and at lunch. Last day to purchase is June 5th.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR 2010

Thurs.	June 10	Senior Finals
Fri.	June 11	Senior Finals/Senior Check-Out
Mon.	June 14	'Senior Week Activity' - Disneyland Trip. Depart CCA 8:30am and return 10:30pm Seniors not participating in the Disneyland field trip, must attend all classes.
Tues.	June 15	'Senior Week Activity' - Senior Dance, Location TBA
Wed.	June 16	'Senior Week Activity' - Yearbook Signing Party
Thur.	June 17	Graduation Rehearsal (MANDATORY for all Seniors) Time: TBA. 'Senior Activity Week" - Senior Lunch Cap and Gown distribution at the end of rehearsal- Grad Nite T-Shirt Distribution
Fri.	June 18	Graduation Ceremony 1:30 p.m. Grad Nite - 10:00 p.m. - 4:00 a.m. COST IS SEPARATE FROM SENIOR WEEK PASSPORT!

GRADUATION DAY:

When: Friday, June 18, 2010 at 1:30 p.m.
Where: CCA Athletic Field
Contact: Elloise Allen, 858/350-0253, X4003
Info: Check in time for graduating seniors to be determined. Check School Website.
Parents are strongly encouraged to drop-off their senior child.
Anyone may attend graduation ceremony - no limit on number of guests per student.
It is strongly recommended that guests arrive early. Gates open to the parking lots and filed at noon.
A lottery for reserved seats will be conducted in April - see Grad Nite website for details.
Handicapped guest drop-off accommodations - contact Diane Fisher at ext. 4001 by 10:00 a.m., June 10, 2009. Handicapped guests need to be on a list to be dropped-off at the field entrance.
Ceremony begins promptly at 1:30 p.m. For planning purposes, the ceremony lasts about 60-75 minutes, approximately 440 graduates.
Immediately following the ceremony, guests are invited to join graduates on the field. Please keep in mind the following:
-Graduates are to pick-up their diplomas immediately after the ceremony at a designated area on the field.
-Deciding on a meeting place with your graduate BEFORE the ceremony is a good idea
-Shade is NOT provided. We recommend you bring hats, water and sunscreen.

*** To participate in the Reserved Seat Lottery hosted by the CCA Foundation, contact Lise Shanahan at wrshanahan@sbcglobal.net**

GRADUATION CEREMONY PHOTOGRAPHS:

When: During Graduation Ceremony.
Where: At Graduation Ceremony.
Cost: Varies depending on package and quantity ordered.
Contact: Keane Studios
Info: No one will be allowed to approach the stage or graduate seating area. Professional photos will be taken of all graduates as they reach the stage to receive their diploma. To order, proofs will be available online.

GRAD NITE COMMITTEE:

When: Evening working meetings: 11/9, 12/14, 1/11, 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10, 6/7, 6/14 (6:30pm, CCA Media Center)
Day time alternative meetings if you cannot attend an evening meeting: 11/12, 1/14, 3/11, 5/13 (9:30am, CCA Faculty Workroom - The Cage.)
Where: See above

Cost: n/a
Contact: Linda James, ccagradnite10@gmail.com or www.ccagradnite.org
Info: Join is to help plan and execute an amazing and safe Grad Nite for our graduating CCA seniors!

GRAD NITE T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST - WIN \$100 CASH!

When: Opens in December to senior students to submit designs, closes on 2/19/09. Designer of winning design receives \$100 cash!
Where: N/a
Cost: n/a
Contact: www.ccagradnite.org
Info: Design the T-shirt for the evening!

GRAD NITE:

When: Night of Graduation Ceremony Friday, June 18, 2010, 10:00 p.m.-5:00 a.m.
Where: CCA Campus
Cost: Check Grad Nite website - Prices do increase as we get closer to the event. Prices include Grad Nite T-shirt, all food and refreshments, activities, photos and entertainment. Forms will be available to parents at October 23 Senior Parent Information Night and on the CCA Foundation link on the school website.
Transportation: Parents or responsible party must drive Seniors to the event and pick them up in the morning.
Contact: Linda James, ccagradnite10@gmail.com or www.ccagradnite.org
Info: Parents plan a safe and sober evening for their Seniors. Parents will be asked to volunteer. It takes months of planning and hundreds of volunteers to make Grad Nite happen. Volunteers are needed in many capacities: construction, painting, decorations, phone calls, set-up, clean up, chaperones the evening of the event and sponsors for all aspects of Grad Nite.