



Class of 2017!

**KINGSBURG HIGH SCHOOL
SENIOR INFORMATION NIGHT
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016 – 6:30 P.M.
LITTLE THEATER**

Answers to your questions.....

- ✓ Costs for the Senior year
- ✓ Graduation
- ✓ Important Senior Dates
- ✓ College
- ✓ Scholarships



Congratulations Class of 2017,

Your career at Kingsburg High School is rapidly coming to an end. We want to celebrate your senior year and assist you in making this year a stepping-stone to the future.

This handbook is designed to help you and your parents navigate through the senior year and provide information for this process! There are countless opportunities available to you, and we want to provide you with the tools to pursue these possibilities.

Please feel free to call or e-mail me, as seniors are a priority! The decisions that you are making now may affect your entire life.

Good luck and congratulations!

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PARTICIPATION IN GRADUATION AND SENIOR WEEK ACTIVITIES

District policy provides that no students shall participate in commencement exercises unless he/she has completed all graduation requirements including 230 units of credit and required courses. Beginning with the class of 2011 students must have successfully passed the High School Exit Exam in order to participate in the graduation ceremony even if all other district requirements have been met. Students also must have paid all bills owed to the school and have returned the signed letter agreeing to expected behaviors at all senior week activities and the graduation ceremony itself.

Mid-year graduates will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony without petitioning the administration at least one month in advance of the ceremony.

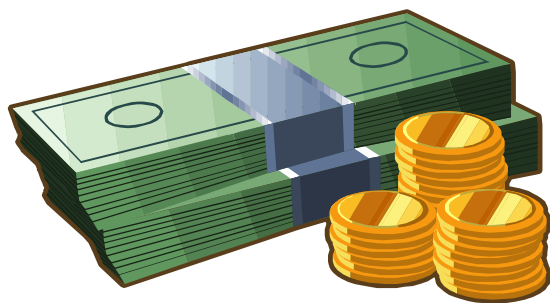
For the welfare and safety of all, students wishing to take part in specific activities such as Grad Nite, graduation, and other events to be determined by the administration, may be required to submit to a personal search of themselves and their possessions. Due to deposits made to transportation companies we are unable to give refunds given for Grad Nite for any reason. Mature, responsible and thoughtful behavior is expected from all students at all times. Graduation and senior week activities are happy times, but behavior standards remain the same. The KHS faculty, administration, fellow students, parents, and community have high expectations. Seniors should keep in mind that the graduation ceremony is a privilege not a right and belongs to the class and not anyone individual. Seniors who repeatedly misbehave during their senior year may lose that privilege. (See senior letters in discipline section).

Senior Warning Letters:

Expectation: Seniors are to be role models for all underclassmen and should maintain excellent citizenship throughout their senior year, through senior activities, and the graduation ceremony.

Consequence:

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| First offense: | Referral for behavior, attendance or attitude problems will result in a "senior letter of warning" that senior activities and the privilege of walking in the graduation ceremony are at risk. Consequences as outlined in other discipline sections will also apply. |
| Second offense: | Referral for behavior, attendance or attitude problems will result in a second "senior letter of warning" indicating a loss of some or all senior week activities. Consequences as outlined in other discipline sections will also apply. |
| Third offense: | Referral for behavior, attendance, or attitude problems will result in a third "senior letter" and will result in the loss of the privilege of walking in the graduation ceremony. Consequences as outlined in other discipline sections also apply. |



Schedule of **APPROXIMATE** costs for Seniors

Cap/Gown	October/November	\$40+
Graduation packages	October/November	\$120 (minimum cost)
Prom	May 20	\$150 (approximately)
Grad Night/Disneyland	June 8	\$150 (may start payments in Jan.)
Senior Week Activities	June 5-8	\$0
Group/Individual graduation photo	June 8	\$25+ (package)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTS

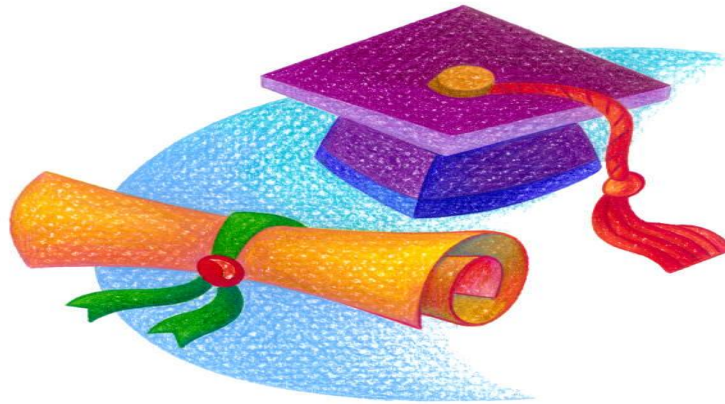
Cost is \$84.00 per test:

payable in two installments, first payment due by March 1, final payment due by April 1
(Fee waivers are available.)

SAT FEE is \$45.00 & **SAT** with Essay FEE is \$57.00 (fee waivers are available)

ACT FEES ARE \$42.50 & **ACT** with writing \$58.50 (fee waivers are available)

Each college or university application fee is approximately \$50 - \$75 per application. There is no cost for community college applications.



MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Minimum graduation requirement is 230 credits to include the following:

- *4 years (40 credits) English
- *3 years (30 credits) Math
- 1 year (10 credits) Physical Science
- 1 year (10 credits) Life Science
- 1 year (10 credits) Health/Wellness
- 1 year (10 credits) World History
- 1 year (10 credits) U.S. History
- 1 semester (5 credits) Economics
- 1 semester (5 credits) Civics
- 1 year (10 credits) Performing Arts
- 2 years (20 credits) in P.E. (unless excused by doctor for medical reason)

*All students graduating in the class of 2006 and after must pass the California High School Exit Exam.

*At least 10 credits must be from classes that meet or exceed the content standards of Algebra 1, i.e. Algebra 1B or Algebra 1, Geometry.

Students may take P.E. athletics, P.E. band, or P.E. color guard or pep squad for P.E. credit in lieu of a regular P.E. class. However, the following conditions and criteria will be adhered to strictly:

1. A maximum of 20 P.E. credits may be earned in four years by participating in the above activities.
2. A grade of 'P' will be given to students earning P.E. credit through participation in activities. Credits will count, but the grade will not be used in computing academic eligibility.
3. Students participating in activities for P.E. credit may also take regular P.E. classes for elective credit toward graduation.
4. Students in a regular P.E. class will be given a letter grade which will be used in determining academic eligibility.

SENIOR DATES 2016-17

- August 1 - UC Application opens
- August 29 - Back to School Night
- August 29 - SAT Registration Workshop at lunch*
- September 1 - Academy Night (Valadao – Hanford West High)

September 8-11- Senior evaluations by Counselor – senior status letters sent home

•••SEPTEMBER 14 – SENIOR INFORMATION NIGHT•••

- September 13- Exploring College Options/Duke-Georgetown-Harvard-Penn-Stanford (Fresno at 7:00 PM)* register
- September 14 - College Information Fair in KHS New Gym 4th Period (attend with your class)
- September 14 - Fresno Area College Night - Fresno Conv.. Center (FREE) 6-8:30 pm 5:30 Fin. Aid Wkshp
- September 14 - Concurrent classes begin (CCC)
- Sept- May- Fresno State Ambassador weekly visits Mondays and Fridays tentatively
- September 20 - CSU/Fresno State Presentation 4th Period* Board Room
- September 20 - National Christian College Fair in Fresno 6-8 pm (Buchanan High School) FREE
- September 21-26- Senior Presentations in the College and Career Center (Civics/Econ. classes)
- September 22 - Smittcamp Honors College Pres./Application Workshop at lunch*
- September 27 - UC Presentation/Application Workshop (5th Period* CCC)
- September 29- COS Application Workshop (5th Period* CCC)
- October 1- CSS Profile application for independent colleges opens
- Oct. 1 – Dec. 8- Smittcamp Family Honors College Application submission window
- Oct. 1–Mar. 2 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) due**
- Oct. 1-Nov. 30- Applications are due for California State University campuses
- November 1-30- Applications are due for University of California campuses
- October 3- SAT Online Registration Workshop (during lunch* CCC)
- October 5- Fresno Pacific Presentation (5th Period* CCC) Follow up visits: 10/17, 11/7, 11/28 1:00*



} “When the turkey goes in the oven”

October 11-	CSU Application Workshop #1 3rd and 5th periods
October 25-	ASVAB Testing (at 8:00 a.m.* Location TBA on KHS Campus)
October 26-27-	Reedley College Application Workshops (Civics/Econ. classes)
Oct. 1-Nov. 30-	Applications are due for California State University campuses
November 3-	ASVAB Interpretation visit (4th Period/ Location –TBA)
November 4-	CSU Application Workshop #2 (1st and 3rd periods* CCC)
November 16-	Reedley College Honors Program Presentation/Application Workshop 4th Period*
December 1-	Reedley College Online Orientation Opens
December 1-2-	Reedley College Online Orientation Workshops (Civics/Econ. classes)
December 13-	SAT Online Registration Workshop (during lunch* CCC)
January 18-	Financial Aid Night for parents and students 6:30 p.m. Board Room
February 7-8-	Placement Testing for Reedley College at KHS (Civics/Econ. classes)
March 7-	ASVAB testing (8:00 a.m.* Location-TBA)
March 14-17-	Senior Profiles (Civics/Econ. classes)
March 23-	ASVAB Test Interpretation (4th Period/ Location –TBA)
March 30-	Advising and Counseling with Reedley College at KHS
April 26-28-	Priority Online Registration for Reedley College (help available in CCC*)
April 28-	Signing Day - fill out your star so we can celebrate your college decisions! (In Quad at break)
May 1-	Most local scholarship applications due to KHS counseling office
May 20-	Prom
May 22-	Senior Awards Night, 6:30 p.m.
June 7-	Disneyland Grad Night (tentative)
June 8-	Graduation

*Event requires sign-up in College and Career Center.

2016-2017 Reedley College Dates – Matriculation Process

1. Application Workshop: October 26-27
This workshop is held during Civics and Economics classes and is available and encouraged for all students, even if only as a backup plan.
2. Online Orientation: (Opens December 1), but provided in Civics and Econ. classes on December 1,
2. *This step is time sensitive.* Students will be assigned an online registration date based on their Orientation completion date and time. Students may complete Orientation independently, it takes about an hour.
3. Placement Testing: February 7-8
This is an online Math and English Language assessment that determines students' placement in college courses. Test is administered during Civics and Econ classes.
4. Advising and Counseling: March 30
Reedley and Fresno City College Counselors come to KHS to advise students on course selection for Fall 2016. Students are assigned a time to come to the library, no sign up required. This too is a necessary step in order to register for classes in the priority Online Registration window.
5. Online Registration: April 26-28- *Students must sign up at the CCC to get assistance with this important step. Students can register independently, but if they would like help (which we highly recommend as there can be glitches), they should sign up.*

A Reedley College Outreach Coordinator will be available in the KHS CCC to answer student questions on Sept. 20, October 18, and November 8 and again in the spring (dates TBA). Students may sign up for an appointment with her (sign ups on the CCC wall).

A world of information is just a click away...

Check out the websites below for more information on colleges and universities, financial aid, scholarships, and college entrance exams.

California Colleges

www.californiacolleges.edu

Learn about all the colleges and universities in California. Find out about career planning and financial aid opportunities.

California Community Colleges

www.cccapply.org

Receive general information and links to all two-year public institutions in California.

California State University

www.csumentor.edu

Explore all California State University (CSU) campuses, plan for college, apply for admission, take a virtual tour and learn about financial aid.

University of California

www.ucop.edu

Obtain information on the University of California (UC) system. There are links to all ten campuses, admission information and many other services.

California Independent Institutions

www.aiccu.edu

This provides students with information on private institutions, campus matching assistance and college profiles. Students can also view enrollment statistics and deadlines.

Financial Aid

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

www.fafsa.ed.gov

Students can complete the Free Application for Federal Student AID (FAFSA) online, renew applications and check their FAFSA account. A link to FAFSA in Spanish is available.

Dream Act Application

<https://dream.csac.ca.gov/>

This site is a California Student Aid site where undocumented students may apply for financial aid.

WebGrants

<https://mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov/>

After filing the FAFSA or the Dream Act application you need to create and monitor a Web Grants account where you will read about and claim your financial aid award if granted.

Scholarships

www.fastweb.com

Fastweb is the nation's largest scholarship search engine. Students can research scholarships, colleges and jobs.

COLLEGE TESTING

Many colleges and universities have college entrance standards requiring that the student take either the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) or the ACT (American College Test). Both exams are regarded as having equal validity, although some institutions prefer one test over the other. The student should research this information in a college handbook or on the Internet.

SAT (Reasoning Test) is used by the University of California, the California State University system, and many other private colleges as an entrance requirement and as a predictor of academic success. It is a three-hour and 45 minute test that measures critical reading, mathematical reasoning, and writing skills. There is a fee of \$45.00 or \$57.00. You may register on line at www.collegeboard.com.

SAT (Subject Tests) are one-hour tests in specific subject areas. These are required by some universities and colleges to determine subject mastery and also as an entrance requirement. There is a fee, so most students take 2 to 3 subject matter tests in different areas at one sitting (the least expensive way to take the tests). Check which tests are required by the colleges to which you apply.

ACT (American College Test) is accepted by the University of California and the California State Universities in place of the SAT I toward meeting admission requirements. The ACT is required by certain other colleges, especially those in the Midwest. The ACT gives sub-scores in English, mathematics, reading, and science reasoning. There is a fee of \$42.50 or \$58.50. You can register on the Internet at www.act.org or pick up a registration packet in the counseling office.



TEST DATES AND OFFERINGS FOR 2016-2017

TEST DATES
<p><u>SAT</u> October 1, 2016 November 5, 2016 December 3, 2016 January 21, 2017 March 11, 2017 May 6, 2017 June 3, 2017</p>
<p><u>ACT</u> September 11, 2016 October 22, 2016 December 10, 2016 February 11, 2017 April 8, 2017 June 10, 2017</p>

PSAT/NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING TEST
(PSAT/NMSQT)
Wednesday October 19, 2016

AP (Advanced Placement) Testing

5/03/17 (Wed)	English Literature and Composition
5/09/17 (Tue)	Calculus AB
5/04/17 (Thu)	United States History
5/08/17 (Mon)	Biology
5/03/17 (Wed)	United States Government and Politics
5/10/17 (Wed)	English Language and Composition
5/11/17 (Thu)	World History

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
AND
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS
“A-G” Subject Requirements**

A – History/Social Science – 2 years required

Two years of history/social science, including one year of world history, cultures and geography; and one year of U.S. history or one-half year of U.S. history and one-half year of civics or American government.

B – English – 4 years required

Four years of college-preparatory English that include frequent and regular writing, and reading of classic and modern literature. Not more than two semesters of ninth-grade English or no more than one year of ESL-type courses can be used to meet this requirement.

C –Mathematics – 3 years required, 4 years recommended

Three years of college-preparatory mathematics that include the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two-and three-dimensional geometry. Approved integrated math courses may be used to fulfill part or all of this requirement, as may math courses taken in the seventh and eighth grades that your high school accepts as equivalent to its own math courses.

D – Laboratory Science – 2 years required, 3 years recommended

Two years of laboratory science providing fundamental knowledge in two of these three core disciplines: biology (which includes anatomy, physiology, marine biology, aquatic biology, (etc), chemistry and physics. The final two years of an approved three-year integrated science program may be used to fulfill this requirement. Not more than one year of ninth-grade laboratory science can be used to meet this requirement.

E – Language other than English – 2 years required, 3 years recommended

Two years of the same language other than English. Courses should emphasize speaking and understanding, and include instruction in grammar, vocabulary, reading, composition and culture. Courses in language other than English taken in the seventh and eighth grades may be used to fulfill part of this requirement if your high school accepts them as equivalent to its own courses.

F - Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) – 1 year required

Two semesters of approved arts courses from a single VPA discipline: dance, drama/theater, music or visual art. (Beginning with applicants for fall 2006, students must complete a single yearlong approved course from a single discipline.)

G – College Preparatory Electives – 1 year required

One year (two semesters), in addition to those required in “a-g” above, chosen from the following areas: visual and performing arts (non—introductory level courses), history, social science, English, advanced mathematics, laboratory science and language other than English (a third year in the language used for the “e” requirement or two years of another language).



COLLEGE AND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications for State Center Community Colleges are on-line and are accepted at any time, but they encourage early applications for best class selection.

California State University applications are due between October 1 and November 30. University of California applications are due between November 1 and 30. Application workshops for both the University of California and California State University will be held on campus in the College & Career Center throughout the months of October and November (see Senior Date calendar for exact dates) These workshops are extremely helpful and we encourage any student considering application to any University of California or California State University to take advantage of it.

Both admission applications and scholarship applications for private schools must be obtained by the individual from the college. Please see Mrs. Pavlina in counseling or Mrs. Peterson in the College and Career Center if you have questions about how to contact private colleges.

Scholarship applications are due throughout the year but hit a peak in April and May. We publish a list of scholarship awards as they arrive on campus and publicize them through lists given to classroom teachers, the KHS website, and a scholarship file in the office. Some local scholarship awards are given based on the general form that seniors fill out as part of the Civics/Econ classes. Others, however, have their own application forms and must be applied for separately. Many scholarship applications are readily available to students in the counseling office and College & Career Center and it is to the student's benefit to fill them out completely, accurately, and neatly and turn them in before the deadline. It has been our experience that students who actively pursue scholarships on a regular basis are the ones who are awarded the most assistance.

The FAFSA (Free Application for Financial Student Aid) form is due from January 1 through March 2,. This application is used to award all Cal Grants, Pell Grants, and federal student loans. The form is somewhat complicated and we encourage all senior students and their parents to attend the special workshop we hold on our campus each year to help them understand the process. This year the workshop will be held on January 14.

Topics of Interest and Discussion for Seniors and Families Throughout The Year

Where do you see yourself in 5 years/10 years?

What is your goal after graduation?

Are there summer plans after graduation?

COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS

Realistically, what can the family contribute to post-secondary education?

Who is responsible for completing the applications?

Who is paying for the application fees?

Is the parent or the student pursuing financial aid (scholarships and FAFSA)?

How much can the student participate in the finances? (Summer work, work-study, part-time employment)

How will the final decision be made where the student will attend?

Parents are not allowed access to grades; will students share willingly?

Students Living At Home

Will the rules/curfews change for the student after graduation?

Is the student required to participate in household chores, household bills?

Who is responsible for car and health insurance, vehicle maintenance?

Responsibility of personal bills belongs to whom; i.e. phone, Internet, gas etc.?

Students Living Away From Home

When are parents and families allowed for visits?

Phone calls and e-mails are good communication, who initiates and pays for these?

Who maintains records such as financial aid and bank accounts?

Does the student have access to health care? Does family's insurance cover the student on campus?

Is the students away bank accessible to you; i.e. ATM?

Does the student get spending money, how much, and do they need to account for that spending?

How often will the student come home? Will the student have access to a car while away?