

Middle College Enrollment Procedures for Fall 2016

STEP 1: APPLICATION (DEADLINE MARCH 22)

1. Middle College Application: Students interested in the Middle College program must complete the "Enrollment Application" on-line at www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/middlecollege/application.asp. Be sure to respond to all parts of the application. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

2. College of San Mateo Application for Admission: Students are required to complete a CSM application. Go to www.cccapply.org/applications/CCCApply/apply/College_of_San_Mateo.html. Once you complete the application, print the "Application Confirmation" page and a copy of the application information, and send both documents as part of your Middle College packet. Students will be assigned a CSM student ID number, which is needed to take CSM Placement Tests. Students who previously attended CSM or are attending CSM now don't need to reapply, but you must let us know that you have a CSM ID number (a G number).

3. Letters of Recommendation: Students must have three staff members from the current high school fill out the recommendation forms:

- Give the "Counselor Recommendation Form" to your guidance counselor.
- Give the "Teacher Recommendation Form" to a teacher who knows about your behavior, attendance, participation, and performance in a classroom setting.
- Give the "Assistant Principal/Dean of Students Recommendation Form" to a staff member familiar with your behavior on campus and at school functions, either the Assistant Principal who monitors discipline for your grade or the Dean of Students.
- Allow the counselor, teacher, and administrator enough time to respond to all sections of the recommendation form, and all staff members need to return the recommendation forms to your guidance counselor by the **March 22** deadline.

4. Parent/Guardian Recommendation Form: A parent/guardian responds to all sections.

5. Transcript: Students must include an unofficial transcript in the packet and a six-week or 12-week progress report (if available); get an unofficial transcript from the student data analyst.

6. Attendance Report: Students must include a high school attendance report for Fall 2015 and Spring 2016w. Consult the school attendance staff member to receive a copy of this report.

*The application, letters of recommendation, transcript, and attendance report must be submitted to your guidance counselor no later than **Tuesday, March 22**. Be sure that all letters of recommendation have been processed and returned to the counselor. The applications will be turned over to the Middle College office by the end of school, **March 22**.*

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STEP 2: COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO PLACEMENT TESTS

All applicants must take the College of San Mateo English Placement Test. The Math Placement Test is not required at this time, but since most Middle College students will be taking a math class, students are encouraged to take the English and Math Placements Tests at the same time.

There are two ways to sign up for the testing:

- 1) Call Laurie Carrasquedo at 574-6536 to schedule the Placement Tests for either March 23, March 30 or April 6 at 4pm.
- 2) Schedule your own Placement Test appointment by using the CSM on-line system, Websmart. Go to www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/testing/scheduletest.asp to schedule an appointment.

The testing must be completed on or before April 6. When you submit your CSM application on line, you will be assigned a CSM student identification number (a G number). Once testing has been completed, students will receive results of the testing. Bring a copy of the test results to the meeting on April 6. If there are questions, contact the Middle College office (574-6101) or the CSM Testing Office (574-6175).

STEP 3: STUDENT TESTING AND PARENT INFORMATION

Students will be notified that they have passed the paper-screening portion of the application process. Applicants and parents/guardians must attend an informational meeting at College of San Mateo on Wednesday, April 6 at 6pm in Bldg. 10, Room 195. Middle College administrators and staff members will provide information about the program. Students will take a reading and writing test, which will help determine eligibility in the Middle College program. The information meeting and student testing will take approximately two hours.

STEP 4: SHADOWING OR TOURS OF CSM CAMPUS (OPTIONAL)

Students may shadow a Middle College student or observe the Middle College classes. Middle College student candidates and parents/guardians may opt to tour the CSM campus. These visits are done by appointment, usually on Mondays and Wednesdays. Call the Middle College office for information.

STEP 5: STUDENT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN INTERVIEWS

Students who successfully complete the first three steps will be scheduled for interviews with their parents/guardians, plus members of the Middle College staff. The interviews will be scheduled the weeks of April 11 and April 18 at CSM.

Students and parents/guardians are asked a series of questions related to the students' involvement in and commitment to Middle College. Interviews take approximately 15 minutes.

STEP 6: STUDENT SCHEDULING

Students will be notified by mail if they have been accepted into the Middle College program. Students will then be scheduled for Fall 2016 courses. Scheduling appointments will be held the weeks of April 18 and April 25. The Middle College high school classes begin on Monday, August 15*. The CSM classes begin on Wednesday, August 17*. (**actual dates will be confirmed by the Middle College staff.*)

The Fall 2016 semester runs from August 15 through December 20, 2016*

For more information, please call the Middle College office at (650) 574-6101.

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