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**A collaboration between**

◆ **San Mateo Union High  
School District**

◆ **College of San Mateo**



# What?

- ◆ **Started in Fall 1998**
- ◆ **16th graduating Class in May**
- ◆ **Middle College originated in NY, 1974**
- ◆ **One of 25 member schools in the Middle College Consortium (Dallas, Chicago, Memphis, LA); also at Cañada, Foothill, DeAnza colleges**



# What?



- ◆ **SMUHSD Alternative education program**
- ◆ **High school and college courses for credit**
- ◆ **Flexible scheduling**
- ◆ **Explore individual interests/career paths**
- ◆ **No tuition (<11.5 units)**
  - ◆ **Students pay for parking**
  - ◆ **Family pays for books, unless financial need**

# Who?

- ◆ 30 juniors and 30 seniors
- ◆ Students reside in SMUHSD and CUSD
- ◆ Academically capable
- ◆ Plans to complete high school
- ◆ Should be close to graduating on time
- ◆ At-risk students
- ◆ Students not interested in high school activities



# Who?

## ◆ Staff includes . . .

- ◆ Laurie Carrasquedo, Office Assistant
- ◆ Greg Lance, English
- ◆ Michael Clardy, Social Science
- ◆ Jesenia Diaz, Counselor
- ◆ Greg Quigley, Principal



# Why?

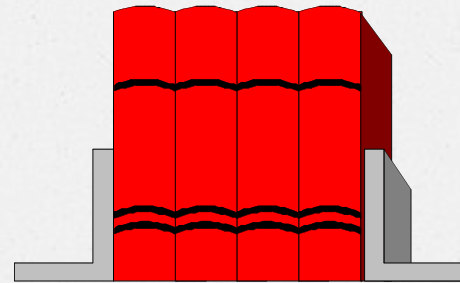
- ◆ **Not all students thrive in a traditional school setting**
- ◆ **CSM offers variety of courses, some of which pertain to student's career/educational goals**
- ◆ **Good alternative for independent, creative thinkers**

# How?

Every day, students take . . .

- ◆ a 50-minute HS English class
- ◆ a 50-minute HS social science class
- ◆ a 50-minute Advisory class

Students also take college courses to meet high school graduation requirements  
(at least 7 units; no more than 11.5 units)





# Typical Junior Schedule

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
<b>8-9</b>	Yoga	Dance	Yoga	Dance	Yoga
<b>9-10</b>	Math 120	Math 120	Math 120	Math 120	Math 120
<b>10-11</b>					
<b>11-12</b>	Psychology	Crer 122	Psychology	Crer 122	Psychology
<b>12-1</b>	English	English	English	English	English
<b>1-2</b>	US Hist	US Hist	US Hist	US Hist	US Hist
<b>2-3</b>	Advisory		Advisory		Advisory
<b>3-4</b>					
<b>4-5</b>					

# Typical Senior Schedule

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
8-9					
9-10	Spch 100		Spch 100		Spch 100
10-11	Chem 192		Chem 192		Chem 192
11-12	Advisory	Advisory	Advisory	Advisory	Advisory
12-1	Government	Government	Government	Government	Government
1-2	English	English	English	English	English
2-3		Yoga	Chem Lab	Yoga	
3-4			↓		
4-5					
5-6					
7-10		Photog		Photog	

# Which students should attend Middle College?

- ◆ Independent, yet responsible students
- ◆ Not interested in activities and events at traditional high school
- ◆ College-bound
- ◆ Interested in flexible schedule to allow for volunteering or internship
- ◆ Eager to “get on with life”

# Benefits

- ◆ **Accumulate college units while completing high school**
- ◆ **Popular programs, such as Administration of Justice, Electronics, Ethnic Studies, Multimedia, Computer Science, Fire Technology, Speech, Psychology, among others**
- ◆ **Tutoring centers (Writing, Computer Writing, Math, Reading) as well as other student services, including Psych services**

# Activities

- ◆ **Outdoor Education**
- ◆ **Habitat for Humanity (SF, Daly City)**
- ◆ **Field trips to San Francisco, Coastsides and Oakland**
- ◆ **Community Days**
- ◆ **Backpacking**



# Special Requirements



- ◆ **“Study Skills”** (Crer 122)
- ◆ **“Planning for Student Success”** (Crer 121)  
Both required for new students
- ◆ **Volunteering**
  - ◆ (Minimum 24 hrs/sem)
- ◆ **Internship/Volunteering**
  - ◆ Internship: 24 hrs/sem
  - ◆ Volunteer: 24 hrs/sem
- ◆ **Senior Project**

# For consideration

- ◆ **Incoming juniors/seniors must pass CAHSEE to earn a diploma**
- ◆ **Students earn a diploma from their home school.**
- ◆ **Students can participate in home school graduation.**





# Class of 2012/2013

- ◆ College of San Mateo
- ◆ UC Davis
- ◆ UC Berkeley
- ◆ Mt. Holyoke (MA)
- ◆ San Francisco State
- ◆ UCLA
- ◆ USF
- ◆ San Jose State
- ◆ Clark (MA)
- ◆ Canada



# Application Timeline



- ◆ **March 25, Application Deadline**
- ◆ **April 9, Parent Night/Student Tests**
- ◆ **Wks of April 14/21: Interviews**
- ◆ **Wks of April 21/28: Scheduling**
- ◆ **May 6: Registration**
- ◆ **August 12, high school begins**
- ◆ **August 18, CSM begins**
- ◆ **December 19, semester ends**



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