

# Middle College News

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## MC Graduation on May 28

The Middle College spring semester officially ends on May 28 when the seniors graduate in the CSM Theater at 5:30pm.

The senior internship presentations will be scheduled by Mr. Clardy in mid-May. The junior presentations for English 6 will be scheduled by Mr. Lance from May 22-24. Here is the schedule for the other high school finals:

| Date   | Subject        | Time         | Location |
|--------|----------------|--------------|----------|
| May 23 | Economics      | 11:10-1:40pm | 19-121   |
| May 24 | Senior English | 11:10-1:40pm | 19-107   |
| May 24 | US History     | 11:10-1:40pm | 19-121   |

The CRER 121 final is Thursday, May 9 from 11:10am-noon in Bldg. 18, room 203. Ms. Diaz will provide more information to the students.

Seniors who are in danger of failing a high school class are receiving a 15-week interim progress report in this mailing.

Grades for the college classes will be available on Websmart on June 4.

## Registration for summer and fall classes is underway

Current MCHS students are expected to register for CSM fall and summer classes on May 2-6, depending the number of CSM units accumulated. This includes students who will stay in the program and students who will graduate and continue their education at CSM in either the summer or fall. Students accepted into Middle College for the fall semester are expected to register for classes on May 7. In most cases, a student taking a college math class must take the CSM Placement Test prior to enrolling in the college class. Call the testing office for more information (574-6175).

## Principal's Corner

By Greg Quigley

Our students have entered the final month of the semester, yet also are making plans for summer and fall classes.

The final day of the spring semester is May 28, also graduation day for seniors. But much work needs to be done in the closing weeks. Seniors are busily preparing for their final internship projects, a part of the Economics final exam. Juniors should be completing their volunteer hours and preparing for their culminating presentations.

Seniors will present their Urban Plan Group Projects on May 8.

The college final exams are scheduled for May 20-24. All students have been given a copy of the college final exam schedule and we've enclosed one in this mailing.

Graduation is May 28 at 5:30pm in the CSM Theater. Juniors are required to attend the ceremony to help with the event. Seniors and juniors must arrive at the CSM Theater no later than 4:30 pm. Seniors have a mandatory graduation rehearsal on Wednesday, May 22 from 2-4pm in the theater.

We're continuing to accept new students for next year. Most new students will register for fall and summer classes on May 7. Prospective students can get an application from the Middle College office or at the Middle College website ([www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/middlecollege](http://www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/middlecollege)). If juniors will not be returning to the program for senior year, they should tell me as soon as possible so we can open a space for a new student.

Seniors who won't complete graduation requirements by May 28 should see me to design a plan to take the necessary courses for graduation.

The final *Middle College News* will be mailed with the final grades for the high school classes.

If there are questions leading up to the Middle College graduation, please call me or the teachers. Good luck on finals!

## MIDDLE COLLEGE CALENDAR

| Date         | Event   | Time     | Location           |
|--------------|---|----------|--------------------|
| May 2-6      | Class registration for continuing Middle College students |          |                    |
| May 7        | Class registration for new Middle College students        |          |                    |
| May 9        | CRER 121 final exam                                       |          |                    |
| May 22       | Graduation rehearsal                                      | 2pm-4pm  | CSM Theater        |
| May 23-24    | Middle College final exams                                |          |                    |
| May 28       | Middle College graduation ceremony                        | 5:30pm   | CSM Theater        |
| June 4       | Spring college grades available on Websmart               |          |                    |
| June 10      | SMUHSD summer school begins                               |          |                    |
| June 17      | College of San Mateo Summer classes begin                 |          |                    |
| August 13    | Middle College fall semester begins                       | 9am-noon | Bldg. 19, room 121 |
| August 13-16 | Middle College high school classes only                   | 9am-noon | Bldg. 19, room 121 |

## ✓ SAT/ACT DEADLINES

The next SAT and Subject Tests will be Saturday, June 1 with a May 7 registration deadline. This would be a good time for juniors to take the SAT and Subject Tests. View [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) for details. The last ACT for the school year is June 8; the registration deadline is May 3. See [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) for more information.

## ✓ CHSPE REGISTRATION

The California High School Proficiency Exam (CHSPE) is offered to students 16 years and older who'd like to earn the equivalent to a high school diploma. Middle College students who have taken and passed the test in the past usually continue their education at the community college. The summer test date is Saturday, June 15. The registration deadline is May 17; the late registration deadline is May 31. No walk ins are admitted on the test date. Results for the test are mailed in mid-July. See [www.chspe.net](http://www.chspe.net) for more information.

## ✓ 2013-14 CALENDAR

The 2013-14 MC school year begins on Tuesday, August 13. Students will have high school classes August 13-16. CSM classes begin on Monday, August 19. The semester runs through Dec. 18. The spring semester begins on Tuesday, January 7.

## ✓ COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students should be completing their community service requirements in the next three weeks. Students have been advised to see Mr. Lance once they finish their 24 hours of service. Students need to submit a verification form, completed by the student's supervisor.

## ✓ SUMMER READING

New and continuing students must complete a summer reading assignment. The summer reading selections will be included in the June mailing and will be on-line at [www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/middlecollege/summer.asp](http://www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/middlecollege/summer.asp) in mid-May.

# Senior Presentations, May 13-15

Senior Project presentations, a culmination of the student's fall internships, will take place during the week of May 13-15 in building 15, room 155. Students are arranging meeting time with Mr. Clardy.

This year, students worked at the following locations: *CSM Health Center; CSM Department of Development and Marketing; San Carlos Flight Center; Neel Riley, PhD., Clinical Neuropsychologist; Mojo Music Studios; Remarkable Girls; Hillsdale High School; Santa Clara Valley Medical Center; San Francisco Police Department; Pacific Dental Center; KCSM; George Young, DDS; Mary Meta Lazarus Child Development Center; The Party Scene Press; Aragon Vet. Clinic; San Mateo Democrat Party; Seajay Environmental, LLC; Advanced PC Concepts; Lurkis Family Law; Jerry Hill for State Senate; Ricochet, clothing boutique*

## Seniors: Graduation Info

The Middle College graduation is Tuesday, May 28 at 5:30pm in the CSM Theater. Students are eligible to attend their home school graduation ceremony, provided they've fulfilled graduation requirements.

A reminder that seniors are under the following SMUHSD policy for graduation ceremony participation. The policy states, "A student who has successfully completed all units required for graduation, has passed all of the competency tests, and has no outstanding bills may participate in the graduation ceremony."

Middle College has a mandatory graduation rehearsal on Wednesday, May 22 from 2pm-4pm at the CSM Theater.

Here are the dates/locations for the graduation ceremonies at SMUHSD and CUSD schools. Students planning to participate in these ceremonies must consult their home school to determine mandatory rehearsal sessions.

*Aragon - May 30, 5:30pm - Aragon Football Field  
Burlingame - May 31, 4pm - Burlingame Football Field  
Capuchino - May 31, 6pm, Capuchino Theater  
Half Moon Bay - June 13, 6pm, HMB Football Field  
Hillsdale - May 30, 5:30pm - Hillsdale Great Court  
Mills - May 31, 1pm - Mills Football Field  
San Mateo - May 30, 5:30 pm - San Mateo Football Field  
Adult School - June 19, 7pm - College of San Mateo Theater*

## MIDDLE COLLEGE TEXTBOOK POLICY

The high school textbooks used by Middle College students will be checked out to the student during the school year. Students are expected to take good care of the textbooks and return the textbooks to the Middle College staff members by the conclusion of the course. Students who do not return the textbooks or who damage high school textbooks will be responsible for paying for a replacement textbook.

Middle College requests that students purchase their own college textbooks from the CSM Bookstore or from an on-line textbook service. Students will be able to write in and highlight in the books as needed, and later resell the textbook to the CSM bookstore or to an on-line business for a portion of the original purchase price. Students also can rent books from the CSM Bookstore. Many college students keep their college textbooks and use the books as a resource either for other courses or for occupational experiences.

Middle College has set up an account to help purchase textbooks for students with a financial need. Students who need financial assistance for textbook costs can complete a rationale for fee waiver. See the administrator for more information. These textbooks remain property of the SMUHSD and Middle College. Students who do not return these textbooks or who damage them will be responsible for paying for a replacement textbook. Student may not write in or deface the textbooks in any way.

The following guidelines have been established for Middle College students who need the program to purchase some or all of the college books:

- Books for dropped or withdrawn classes must be returned within first two weeks of the semester or student is responsible for purchase price of the book.
- Students are responsible for the cost of books in courses in which they receive an F or a non-credit grade.

Students are responsible for paying for study guides, workbooks, solution manuals, course syllabi, class supplies or materials, other disposable items, and other non-textbook items.