



# Piner High School & SRJC

## Early College Magnet News

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### 2018 Is Upon Us!

Spring semester at SRJC has started and juniors and seniors already have a month of classes under their belt. Students have enrolled in a wide variety of classes, including such diverse subjects as German Language, Dance, Criminal Law, Fire Technology, and Fashion, with online classes increasing in popularity. About 35 students are enrolled in more than one class, and a few sophomores are also taking afternoon and evening classes of their choosing.

In March, our sophomores will be attending the 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents & Students Night in preparation for JC classes in the Fall. The freshmen group saw the addition of several more students eager to join ECM at the semester, and all freshmen will be completing their first online JC application right after spring break. The applications for next year's incoming freshmen look promising. It is obvious that the good word is out in the community about ECM as I have received a record number of highly qualified student applications. It is clear that more and more students are planning for a successful high school experience that includes college, and ECM seems to be the right fit!

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### Busing Issues:

#### Students and Parents:

Please contact Karen Coster if the West County Transportation bus is consistently early or late to or from SRJC. While the bus company is usually quick to correct problems, we need to keep record of untimely pick-ups and drop-offs.

**Students: Keep the bus company phone number in your phone. Their number is: 707-206-9988, ext.219**

ECM T-shirts: If you need a new one, please see Mr. Erickson in room A13. A new batch has been ordered and will arrive soon.



## 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR... INCOMING FRESHMEN!

There are currently 85 eighth graders who have been accepted into next year's ECM freshman class. While more applications arrive every day, and some are waiting to be processed, if you know of potential students who would benefit from the ECM program, encourage them to apply soon. Applications will be accepted through **March 9** and can be found on the Piner High School Website: <http://pinerhigh.com> Click on "Early College Magnet Program" to view, download, and print the program application in either English or Spanish.

### Important Reminder:

All students taking JC classes need to check their SRJC account balance on "My Cubby" before registering for classes. Students are responsible for paying their health fee of **\$21** each semester they are enrolled for courses.

## WE'LL SAY IT AGAIN.....

**Memorize your Santa Rosa JC I.D. number:**  
When you register for classes at SRJC, you will need to give your SRJC identification number...  
***Memorize it!***

Chaperones will be needed for the 10<sup>th</sup> grade UC Berkeley field trip

### Upcoming UC Berkeley Fieldtrip Info.

**10<sup>th</sup> graders:** You will receive a field trip permission form soon for our trip in April. This is a reschedule of the trip that was planned for last October, but had to be cancelled. Please be aware of the following:

- You must get all of your teachers' permission to attend. If 1 teacher does not sign, you do not go. Teachers may deny permission if you have lower than a "C" in the class.
- The deadline to return the completed permission form to Ms. Coster is April 11.
- **Parent chaperones are needed!** Please contact Ms. Coster if your parent can come.

The trip is planned for **Wednesday, April 18.**

**A Message from  
Ms. Cancilla  
In the College  
& Career Center**

**Seniors: Please plan on  
attending the  
SRJC Application  
Workshops**

**Friday, March 2  
Periods 1-4**

**Fall registration for classes  
begins the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of April**

**10<sup>th</sup> grade Students & Parents:**

**Yes, the Early College Magnet Program has a meeting just for sophomores who will be attending JC classes as juniors & seniors!**

**What:** Preparing for Success at SRJC

**When:** Wednesday, March 14, 6:30 – 8:00

**Where:** Piner Performing Arts Center

**Why:** This is a great opportunity to meet with JC representatives from Counseling, Admissions & Records, Campus Safety, and the Academic Senate.

**How:** Get questions answered, such as: How do I acquire textbooks? How do I register for classes? How do I stay safe? How is college different from high school?



**A message from Ms. Walls**

CSF, the **California Scholastic Federation**, is an organization that recognizes student academic achievement at the high school level. The government / economics teacher, Ms. Stevens, oversees the Piner chapter of this organization and is seeking qualified students to join CSF. Since all ECM students are academically-oriented, you should all be enrolled in this group! CSF's primary mission is to award scholarships towards college. (Ms. Coster received a \$500 scholarship as a high school senior!)

What should you do?

- Please stop by J103 to see Ms. Walls for more information.
- Look over the membership application attached to this newsletter.
- Visit the CSF web site at: <https://csf-cjsf.org/membership/>

## Upcoming Events:

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>:** SRJC Applications Workshops for Seniors – PHS library, periods 1-4

**March 14<sup>th</sup>:** 10<sup>th</sup> graders & Parents Informational Night – Piner Performing Arts Center from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**March 16<sup>th</sup>:** End of Piner 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter grading period

**April 18<sup>th</sup>:** 10<sup>th</sup> grade UC Berkeley field trip – from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Parent chaperones will be needed)

**April 26<sup>th</sup>:** SRJC summer & fall classes registration, 7:00 a.m. sharp!

**Early May** (exact date TBD): 9<sup>th</sup> grade UC Davis field trip (Parent chaperones will be needed)

## **Academic Probation --- You want to avoid it!**

As a reminder, one of the conditions of admission to the ECM Program is that students must maintain good grades as both a Piner and SRJC student. Should a student fall behind in his/her coursework, resulting in a GPA of 2.5 or lower, the student will be placed on academic probation. Also, the student must receive no Fs in Piner core classes (English, math, science, history) or JC classes. **Since grades for first semester have been submitted, probation letters will be mailed in a week or so.**

Stated below are the conditions and expectations that students are held to while participating in the Early College Magnet Program (ECMP):

- While enrolled in the ECMP you must maintain a 2.5 cumulative grade point average (GPA), and receive no letter grades of “F” in any of your Piner High School core classes or JC class. If you cannot maintain a 2.5 GPA, you will be put on academic probation, which will last for one semester. If you raise your GPA above a 2.5, in the following semester, you will be removed from academic probation. However, if your grade point average remains below a 2.5 for a second semester, you will be removed from the ECMP and assigned to another pathway within Piner High School.
- If your GPA falls below a 2.5, a contract will be signed by your parent/guardian, student, coordinator and counselor, establishing a weekly progress report system to encourage home/school communication.

## **SRJC Academic Calendar:**

We have included the SRJC Academic Calendar for your convenience as well as for planning purposes.

### **SPRING & SUMMER SEMESTERs 2018**

February 25	Last day to opt for P/NP
March 12 – April 22	Midterm progress posted in student portal
March 19 – 25	Spring Break
March 23	Professional Development – No classes
April 22	Last day to drop with a “W” symbol
May 19 – 25	Final Examinations
May 28	Memorial Day Holiday
June 1	Final grades due
June 2	Spring semester grades finalized and processed
June 18	Summer classes begin
July 4	Independence Day Holiday
Final Exams	Given at the last class meeting
August 15	Last day of summer term
August 17	Final grades due
August 18	Summer term grades finalized and processed

### **A final request:**

It is very important to keep student ECM records current in order to stay in touch with parents and students. Please take the time to send any updated email or phone information to Ms. Coster a.s.a.p.:

[kcoster@srcs.k12.ca.us](mailto:kcoster@srcs.k12.ca.us)

Thank you!

**California Scholarship Federation, Inc.**  
**CSF Semester Membership Application**  
**Piner High School**  
**2017-2018**

Print NAME _____	Student ID# _____
Contact Number _____	Graduation Year _____

**A. To qualify for CSF membership this semester, follow these guidelines:**

1. You must earn a minimum of 10 points from last semester's grades.
  - a. The first 4 points must be from LIST I, [unless you are a senior applying in February or June].
  - b. The first 7 points [including the four points described in a] must be from LISTS I and II.
  - c. The remaining points may come from any list [I, II, or III].
2. You must **use no more** than 5 courses to qualify.
3. NO CSF points are given for physical education, courses taken in lieu of physical education, subjects repeated to improve a grade, courses involving clerking and office/teaching assisting, and courses taken on a pass/fail basis.
4. CSF points are granted as follows:
  - A grade of A = 3 CSF points*
  - A grade of B = 1 CSF point*
  - One additional point shall be granted for a grade of A or B in an AP, IB, or Honors course, up to a maximum of two such points per semester.
  - A grade of C = 0 CSF points*
  - A grade of a D or F* in any course, even in one you cannot use to qualify, disqualifies you from membership at this time.

**B. Also remember:**

1. Semester membership is based on work done in the previous semester. [Under very limited circumstances summer school may also be used; you should check with your advisor before listing any summer school work.]
2. You must reapply each semester.
3. Courses you may use are listed on the reverse side. They are divided into LISTS I, II, and III.

**C. List the courses you are using to qualify in the proper location below. Consult lists on reverse side.**

LIST I Courses	Grade	Points	LIST II Courses	Grade	Points	LIST III Courses	Grade	Points

**Total Pts. From List I**  
 [must be at least 4, except for seniors applying in Feb. or June]  
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**Total Pts. From List I and II**  
 [must be at least 7]  
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**Grand Total of Pts. From all**  
 [must be at least 10]  
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**Bring this form and \$5.00 membership payment to Ms. Walls in J103. If you are a Senior, submit verification of grades from your counselors to the CSF advisor for Life Member status.** Revised 5/03/2016