

New Parent Orientation

College and School Counseling

Monday, August 28, 2023



College & School Counseling



Counselors provide individual and group counseling as part of a comprehensive four- to five-year program which includes college, academic, career, and personal counseling.

Academic and college planning starts day-one, with a goal of having graduates maximizing their gifts & interests and being well-prepared for their personalized college plan.

SJM Counselors- Room 44



SJM Counselor Caseloads & Contact



12th Grade - Class of 2024

A-G = Ms. Debbie Arceo (darceo@sjmhs.org)

H-R= Mrs. Kylie Gomez (kgomez@sjmhs.org)

S-Z= Mrs. Lisa Cameron (lcameron@sjmhs.org)

10th Grade - Class of 2026 & 11th Grade- Class of 2025

A-L = Ms. Debbie Arceo (darceo@sjmhs.org)

M-Z = Mrs. Lisa Cameron (lcameron@sjmhs.org)

9th Grade - Class of 2027

All Students = Mrs. Kylie Gomez (kgomez@sjmhs.org)



Student College Planning Meetings

- Class College Meetings (2 per semester)
 - 12th = 9/19 & 9/20- (Religion)
 - 11th = 9/25 & 11/27- (Religion)
 - 10th = 10/2 & 11/6 & 11/7- (English)
 - 9th = 8/28 & 11/27- (PE)
- Individual Meetings (Calendly)



Parent College Planning Meetings

- Freshman - Wednesday, September 13th
- Senior - Wednesday, October 4th
- Sophomore - Wednesday, November 8th
- Junior - Wednesday, January 18th

Time: **6pm**

Location: **TBD**

College Admissions



- Academic Preparation
 - Core Requirements
 - Beyond Core
 - Rigor
 - GPA
- College Admissions Tests
- Record of Involvement/Contribution



SJM Graduation Requirements

- Religion - every year enrolled
- English - 4 years
- Math - 3 years
- Science - 3 years
- Social Science - 3 years
- World Language - 2 years
- VPA - 1 year
- PE - 1 year
- Writing/Speech - 9th grade, 1 year

Honors Diploma



- What is it?
 - A special recognition at graduation validating that a student has taken the most rigorous course of studies, places in the top of testing, and exceeds service requirement.
- What does it do for my student?
 - Recognition in college admissions as being in the top of the class at SJM.

Honors Diploma



- Requirements
 - Successful completion of 7 (seven) AP and/or CC.
 - 6 AP/H/CC by end of 11th
 - GPA - 3.8
 - SAT - 1240 or ACT - 27
 - 25 hours of service beyond minimum

College Admissions Tests



SJM Test Dates

All School Test Day

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

SAT School Day

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

SAT Test Dates

August 26, 2023

October 7, 2023

November 4, 2023

December 2, 2023

March 9, 2024

May 4, 2024

June 1, 2024

ACT Test Dates

September 9, 2023

October 28, 2023

December 9, 2023

February 10, 2024

April 13, 2024

June 8, 2024

July 13, 2024

College Visits at SJM



- University of Southern California (9/12)
- University of the Pacific (9/13)
- Oregon State University (9/13)
- University of San Francisco (9/14)
- Texas Christian University (9/14)



Naviance Student

Mobile-friendly, comprehensive college planning tool that allows counselors to track and analyze data about college and career plans specific to SJM.

Students will:

- Be involved in their college planning and advising process
- Research colleges
- Research careers
- Create future plans

Questions?

