

Additional Resources to Accompany Is Your Student College BoundWorkshop May 15, 2025

California Community Colleges

Find which programs and majors are at which colleges: http://californiacommunitycolleges.ccco.edu/FindaCollege

Transfer information: https://icangotocollege.com/

CSU (California State University)

CSU Admissions Handbook for Counselors: https://www.calstate.edu/attend/counselor-resources
Freshman Admissions Requirements – pg. 10-11
Homeschool Requirements – pg. 12

UC (University of California)

Requirements for homeschoolers: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/freshman-requirements/home-schooled-students.html

a-g subject requirements: https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/ freshman-requirements/subject-requirement-a-g.html

Private colleges

Each sets its own admission requirements – check the college's website

Many use the Common Application for admission: https://www.commonapp.org/

Christian colleges and universities

Usually offer similar degrees as private college but courses are taught from a Christian or Biblical worldview

Ask for its definition of "Christian" and about any doctrinal distinctives that are important to you

Bible College

Designed to prepare students for careers in which serving Christ is part of the job description

Usually offers a different degree than a Christian college – for example: BBS (Bachelor of Biblical Studies) instead of BA (Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies)

Vocational Schools

usually 6 month to 2 year programs – many are for-profit institutions

check carefully – many unscrupulous programs with inflated job placement figures

Needed for Admissions Process

Application, Transcript, Letters of Recommendation

Tests – Optional at some colleges

SAT - https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat

ACT – https://www.act.org/

CLT - https://www.cltexam.com/tests/clt/

California Proficiency Program -- https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/cp.asp

Paying for College

2 kinds of aid: merit aid (earned) and need-based aid (based on family finances)

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid: https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

SAI (Student Aid Index)

https://www.forbes.com/sites/robertfarrington/2024/02/19/what-the-new-student-aid-index-means-for-your-financial-aid/?sh=7e443ffe55ac

https://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/resources/bfbf-sai.pdf

Financial Aid Equation: Cost of Attendance minus EFC equals Total Need

Conclusion:

"For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?" Matt 16:26 ESV

Lean on the Lord to lead you and your student on the next stage of life's journey!