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Success Pathway COVID-19 Response

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As we all adjust to the new realities of our day-to-day lives and follow the guidance of our public health officials regarding Coronavirus, Success Pathway wishes that you and your family stay safe and healthy during this time. We have gathered some tips and suggestions for students regarding college admissions in the time of COVID-19. This information was obtained from the NACAC, College Board and Compass Education Group. NACAC is offering a valuable tool for students in regards to changes in admissions events and deposit dates. You can view this information directly on their website at nacacnet.org.

CORONAVIRUS SAFETY



Follow these easy steps to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Disinfect surfaces around your home and work.

Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds.

Sneeze or cough? Cover your mouth.

It is our hopes that seniors will continue to receive admissions decisions from their future colleges. Many “Admitted Student Days” have been cancelled across the country but there may be opportunities to attend virtual events. We recommend checking your schools social media platform for regular updates. Many schools are also moving their “reply date” to May 1st (Compass).

If you are a junior, we suggest signing up for mailing lists of the colleges that you are interested in. You may be able take a virtual campus tour or sit in on an online course.

March and May SAT's have been cancelled. April ACT tests have also been cancelled. “ In response to the rapidly evolving situation around the coronavirus (COVID-19), the College Board is canceling the May 2, 2020, SAT administration. Makeup exams for the March 14 administration (scheduled March 28) are also canceled. Registered students will receive refunds. ACT has rescheduled its April 4 national test date to June 13 across the U.S. in response to concerns about the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). All students registered for the April 4 test date will receive an email from ACT in the next few days informing them of the postponement and instructions for free rescheduling to June 13 or a future national test date” (Compass). We suggest checking the College Board website regularly for added test dates in the near future. APA exams will now be taken online in a 45-minute time period (Compass).

As we try to make the best of the situation at hand, Success Pathway offers some ways that you can utilize your time at home:

1. Work on your writing skills. If you are a junior, this is a great time to practice writing a college essay.
2. Take advantage of free online courses. Check out [this link](#) to 450 online courses you can take at Ivy League schools for no cost (Shah, D.)
3. Create “how to” videos for kids. Read or tutor them via YouTube video or other social media platform.
4. Create virtual classes to share with others such as an art class or dance class.
5. Keep yourself healthy and continue to stay active!
6. Post music, artwork, stories and poems online and encourage others to do the same.
7. If you are able, volunteer in your community during this time.

At Success Pathway, our hearts go out to all seniors of the class of 2020 being affected by COVID-10. We wish you the best as you near the end of your academic year. We also recommend reaching out to your schools academic advisors in regards to maintaining advising via online platforms during a time when it is needed the most. Success Pathway is here to assist any students who continue to seek help with the college admissions process during this time. We will continue to offer you support through online platforms until it is safe to meet in person.

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