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IMPORTANT REMINDER!
When you’re filling out the California State University (CSU) application, make sure to apply for EOP (Educational Opportunity Program).

This support program is designed to help underrepresented students succeed in college. If accepted, you’ll receive support, advising, tutoring and possibly additional grants (if available).

SENIOR HANDBOOK NOW AVAILABLE!
Everything you'll need to know about college and your senior year is in this handbook!

STEM EXPLORATION DAY
November 5th & 6th from 3-4 PM
This year’s workshops include:
- Building Molecules from the Atom up: Computational Chemistry
- Myth Busting Science
- Planetarium + Astronomy Panel
- Eco-friendly Urban Development
- Balancing Risk & Reward: Finance Game

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MOTIVATIONAL MESSAGE
"The only person you should try to be better than is the person you were yesterday"

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
If you would like your Talent Search Advisor to write you a letter of recommendation or review your personal statement essays or PIQs, let them know in advance!

CHECK IT OUT!
12 COMMON FAFSA MISTAKES
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Tip #2: Put Yourself on the Page:
Highlight the things about yourself that you are proud of. Only tell stories where you are the main character.

Tip #3: Write From the Heart:
Choose topics that you are excited to write about because they allow you to talk about things that you care a lot about.

Tip #4: Share Your Work:
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Tip #5: Be Like Dory:
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CALENDAR EVENTS
- Nov 1 - 30: UC Application Period
- Nov 1 - Dec 4: CSU Application Period
- Dec 2 - SD Foundation’s Common Scholarship Application Opens (Deadline Feb 3)
- CalSoap Workshops, e.g., Cash for College and Dare to Dream College: The African American Experience

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