**Post Secondary Education Resources**

**Applying for College**

* <http://studentaid.ed.gov/prepare-for-college>: Provides general planning guide on applying for college including how to pick a college, steps to apply and how high school students can begin preparing for college.
* <http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/maps/alphaList.asp>: Listing of all California Community College by name and region.
* Community College application: [www.cccapply.org](http://www.cccapply.org/)
* Cal State application: [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)
* <http://calstate.edu/fosteryouth/>: Admission information for Cal State Universities targeted towards foster youth along with a host of other resources.
* University of California application: [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/apply-online/index.html](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/apply-online/index.html)
* [www.onyourway.org](https://www.onyourway.org/): A youth oriented site that allows youth to create a plan for their future and track information on line.

**Career Assessments and Inventories**

* [www.cacareerzone.org](http://www.cacareerzone.org)[/](http://www.cacareerzone.org/): fun interactive website that allows users to assess their skills and interests, explore different career fields and get a “reality check” on what standard living costs are for a desired life style and occupations pay rates of different occupations
* [www.careeronestop.org/studentsandcareeradvisors/studentsandcareeradvisors.aspx](http://www.careeronestop.org/studentsandcareeradvisors/studentsandcareeradvisors.aspx): Includes a variety of career assessments and salary information for different careers
* [www.californiacolleges.edu/career/careercenter/career\_self\_assessment.asp](http://www.californiacolleges.edu/career/careercenter/career_self_assessment.asp): website with links to various interests, skills, values and personality assessments related to career choice.
* <http://whodouwant2b.com/student/pathways>: includes information on 15 career pathways to help you make decisions about the courses to take in high school and college.

**Financial Aid**

* FAFSA application: [www.fafsa.ed.gov/index.htm](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/index.htm)
* Cal Grant information: [www.calgrants.org/index.cfm?navId=10&](http://www.calgrants.org/index.cfm?navId=10&)
* [www.icanaffordcollege.info](http://www.icanaffordcollege.info/): Information on financial aid targeting community college students and applicants
* [www.chafee.csac.ca.gov/default.aspx](http://www.chafee.csac.ca.gov/default.aspx): Chafee grant application and information
* [www.calgrants.org/index.cfm?navId=16](http://www.calgrants.org/index.cfm?navId=16): Search for free FAFSA workshops in your area
* <http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/index.jsp>: Information about federal grant and loan programs.
* [www.finaid.org/](http://www.finaid.org/): Offers an overall look at financial aid, where to look for it, how to get it, and gives hints on completing the FAFSA and common errors to avoid.
* <http://cccapply.org/BOG_Waiver/>: How to apply for the Community College Board of Governors fee waiver

**Scholarships**

* [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com): One of the largest free scholarship search services on the Internet. Contains a searchable database of millions of public and private scholarships, grants and loans. Registration is required.
* [www.collegenet.com/mach25](http://www.collegenet.com/mach25): Free scholarship search engine with more than 500,000 private sector awards searchable by key word. No registration required.
* [www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com): Free scholarship search database. Registration is required.
* <http://www.unitedfriends.org/youth-access/resources-links/foster-youth-scholarships>: List of several resources for scholarships for foster youth
* <http://fc2success.org/what-we-do/scholarships-and-grants/apply-for-an-ofacasey-scholarship>: Scholarships for youth under 25 who were in foster care on their 18th birthday

**Career and Technical Education**

* <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ds/si/rp/>: Regional Occupational Centers & Programs directory by region.
* <http://www.careerladdersproject.org/initiatives-programs/career-advancement-academies/> : Guide to career advancement academies, which offer preparation for career technical training to undereducated, underemployed youth and young adults (18-30) who have dropped out of school or lack basic skills needed to complete a certificate or degree.
* <http://www.onetonline.org/>: Explore the range of career options by industry, level of preparation required or employment prospects.
* <http://www.healthjobsstarthere.com/>: Online resource designed to introduce young adults to health jobs including information about training programs.
* <http://www.newwaystowork.org/documents/ytatdocuments/CareerDevGuidebookJUNE2009%282%29.pdf>: A Guide to Career Development Opportunities In California’s High Schools
* <http://www.rwm.org/rwm/tf_cal.html>: Database of vocational schools

**Support Programs**

* [http://www.cacollegepathways.org/](http://www.cacollegepathways.org/programs.php) : Search for campus support programs by zip code or region.
* <http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/StudentServices.aspx>: Links to all student services available at community colleges.
* <http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/StudentServices/FosterYouthSuccessInitiatives.aspx>: Provides an overview of the Foster Youth Success Initiative Program as well as a list of all FYSI representatives at each community college by both college name and region.
* <http://http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/StudentServices/EOPS.aspx>: Information about the Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) available at community colleges
* <http://www.csumentor.edu/planning/eop/>: Information about the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) at Cal State campuses.
* <http://calstate.edu/fosteryouth/>: Provides a list of all foster youth support programs at Cal State campuses.

**College Preparation**

* <http://csumentor.com/Planning/>: Year by year college planning guides from 6th grade through 12th grade.
* <http://www.knowhow2go.org/>: Year by year college planning guides with a section specifically for mentors to help support youth.
* <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/pf/fy/cwjdcontacts.asp>: Contact information for Foster Youth Services Coordinators (K-12) for each county.
* <http://www.collegeaccess.org/member_directory.aspx>: Provides information on college access programs throughout California
* <http://collegeaccessfoundation.org/grants/grant-recipients.aspx>: List of grantees for the College Access Foundation of California, including links to each grant recipient’s website.
* <http://www.going2college.org/actPage.cfm?stateID=5&isMain=0&pageID=18>: List of federally funded TRiO programs in California.
* <http://www.collegeboundbros.org/directory/search.php>: Searchable database of college readiness and enrichment programs in the San Francisco Bay Area
* <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/gd/gedtestcntrs.asp>: List of GED test centers.
* <http://www.eaop.org/>: UC program that specializes in early outreach.