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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Elk Grove Unified School District, in partnership with California College Guidance Initiative (CCGI) uses www.CaliforniaColleges.edu for early college and career planning. We invite you and your student to use this website as a key resource to plan for life after high school, regardless of your child's post-secondary goals.

CaliforniaColleges.edu is a One-Stop-Shop for EGUSD students to plan for college and career. This website is free for all EGUSD students and their parents/caregivers and offers the following:

❖ **Academic Planner** that shows student courses and grades beginning in 9th grade (2nd semester)
❖ Quick and easy career quizzes
❖ Personal tab where students can save:
  o College lists
  o Career lists
  o Goals/journals
  o Experiences to prep for a resume
  o Letters of Recommendation/ Personal Essay/ UC Personal Questions
❖ Opportunities for seniors to apply to:
  o CSUs and request to have all courses imported instead of hand entering them
  o CRC and have the option to share their transcript data for course placement
❖ Parents/caregivers with educational rights can view student's personal tabs (Parent editing is not available.)

At the beginning of the school you received an CaliforniaColleges.edu **Opt-Out Waiver**. This waiver stated that the student's Elk Grove transcript data was not allowed to be shared with CaliforniaColleges.edu. By signing the **Opt-Out Waiver**, please note that when you connect to your student's CaliforniaColleges.edu account in 9th grade (2nd semester), neither you nor your student will see transcript or class information in the **Academic Planner**. It will be blank. Consequently, when this waiver is signed, neither you nor your student will be able to see how the classes your student has completed are preparing him/her to meet CSU or UC eligibility requirements.

The **Opt-Out Waiver** will remain in effect until it is reversed for the duration of your student's enrollment in EGUSD. If you wish to reverse your student's Opt-Out status, please contact your student's counselor **or** EGUSD's College and Career Pathways Counselor, Jackie Nevarez at jsnevare@egusd.net or 916-793-3035.

Additionally, In order to connect to a student's CaliforniaColleges.edu account, educational rights holders will need to have an active email (ex.**Gmail.com** or **Comcast.net** email). If you need help in creating an email account, contact your student's school site for support. For a step-by-step to register your account and connect with your student's CaliforniaColleges.edu please review the reverse side of this letter.

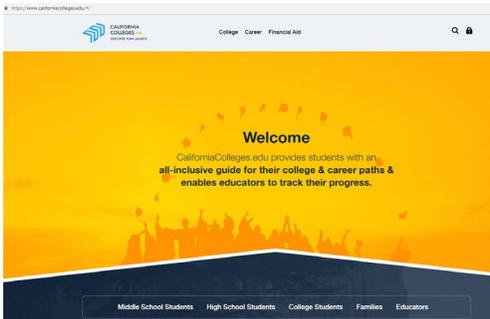Thank you for choosing Elk Grove Unified District in shaping your student's future.

Sincerely,

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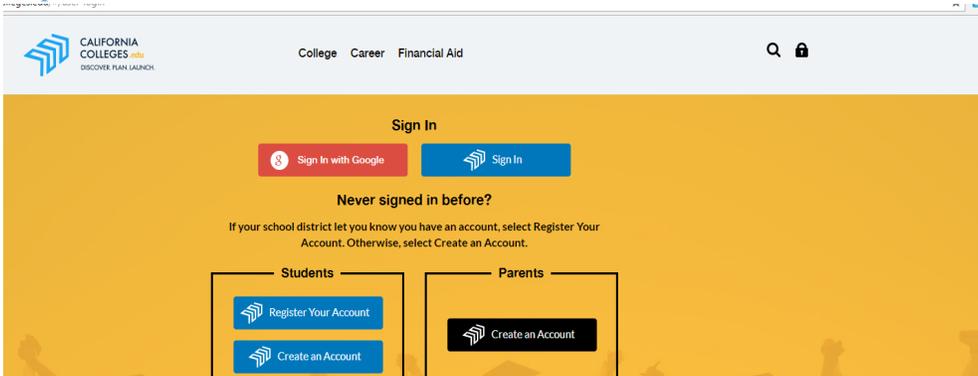Elk Grove Unified School District

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Step-By-Step Educational Right's Holder
CaliforniaColleges.edu Registration

Step 1. Navigate to CaliforniaColleges.edu.

Step 2. Click on the lock icon (🔒) in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

Step 3. In the Parent Section, the Parent Should Click on Create an Account.

Step 4. Complete registration by completing the required information:
- Name of your student's current school district:
  Elk Grove Unified
- Name of your **Student's current school** _____ _____ Note: once you enter your student's school the form will get much shorter.
- Your **Student's ID number** (found on their ID card or in Synergy) 99999999
- **Date of birth** (click on the year and toggle back to the year they were born and then click on month and date).
- Click the blue Next Button

Step 5. Select **Sign Up with Your Email**.

Step 6. Sign Up with parent's personal email: Make sure to write your password down so you do not forget it

Step 7. Click the blue Next Button.

Step 8. Now you are signed into your student's CaliforniaColleges.edu accounts. Feel free to explore!

**If you want more information, see your counselor or:
Check out "Student&ParentExperienceWebinar5.3.2018" from
CaliforniaColleges.edu on Vimeo.
The video is available at https://vimeo.com/267850902**