In Spring of your junior year you participated in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) in English Language Arts/Literacy and mathematics.

The California State University (CSU) will, and the California Community Colleges (CCC) may use CAASPP results to determine your readiness to take college-level, baccalaureate credit-bearing courses before you enroll in college.

CAASPP Early Assessment Program (EAP) results are for placement purposes ONLY. The CSU or CCC does not use EAP results for admission. Students who meet the admission requirements may apply to the CSU or CCC regardless of their EAP status.

What is a "College-Level" course?

Students who demonstrate readiness for college-level, baccalaureate credit-bearing courses have the English and math skills necessary to succeed academically without the need for developmental coursework. A college-level course is a class in which a student earns credit towards a baccalaureate degree. Students who are identified as needing additional preparation will be directed to courses or summer sessions, such as the Early Start Program, which are designed to help students attain the skills needed to succeed in general education (GE) written communication and math/quantitative reasoning courses.

Next steps

- Use your assessment results to help you prepare for academic success.
- Your Early Assessment Program (EAP) results are included in the CAASPP Student Score Report provided by your high school.
  - If you authorized the release of your EAP results by marking the release button when you took the CAASPP, the CSU and CCC will automatically receive your results.
  - If you did not mark the release button when you took the CAASPP, you will be required to submit your results to the CSU or CCC to which you apply, upon request.
- ACT or SAT test results can also be used as indicators of your readiness to take college-level courses. The test(s) must be taken in the fall of your senior year if you did not take them in your junior year.
- The CSU campuses to which you apply will notify you of the next steps necessary to satisfy general education (GE) written communication and/or math/quantitative reasoning requirements based on your assessment results.

Your test results: What they mean

EAP results provide an early indicator of your readiness to take college-level, baccalaureate credit-bearing courses. Knowing and understanding your EAP status and overall CAASPP scores will give you the opportunity to improve your skills by enrolling in classes that will help you prepare for college-level, baccalaureate credit-bearing courses. Use this EAP guide to help you determine the steps you need for a smooth transition to a CSU. Refer to the EAP status section in the guide that applies to you based on your CAASPP and/or ACT/SAT results.
A CAASPP EAP status of “STANDARD EXCEEDED” (Level 4) means you are READY to enroll directly in college-level, baccalaureate credit-bearing GE written communication and/or math/quantitative reasoning courses upon enrolling at the CSU. You are also exempt from participating in the Early Start Program.

You can also earn a “READY” status if you receive one of these qualifying test scores:

**English:**
- ACT: 22 and above
- New SAT: 550 and above, Old SAT: 500 and above
- AP Language/Literature Composition: 3 and above

**Math:**
- ACT: 23 and above
- New SAT: 570 and above, Old SAT: 550 and above
- AP Calculus or AP Statistics Exam: 3 and above

Congratulations! Meeting this requirement is the first step to academic success. Keep your skills sharp in your senior year by following these recommendations:

- Take a fourth year of rigorous English and math courses. Consult with your high school counselor to help you select the right course(s) for you.
- Consider taking Advanced Placement (AP) English or math courses, if offered at your school. You may be able to earn college credit by passing the AP exam.

**Updated SAT Information**

In March 2016, the College Board began administering a new SAT. The new SAT scores are different than the old SAT scores. The CSU will accept both old and new SAT scores for students graduating from high school in 2020 and prior.
"CONDITIONALLY READY" FOR ENGLISH AND MATH (GE Written Communication & Math/Quantitative Reasoning)

A CAASPP EAP status of “STANDARD MET” (Level 3) means you are CONDITIONALLY READY and must complete one of the approved senior year-long English and/or math courses prior to enrolling at a CSU. Completing an approved senior year course with a grade of “C−” or better will exempt you from the CSU Early Start Program.

You can also earn a CSU "CONDITIONALLY READY" status if you receive one of these qualifying test scores:

**English:**
- ACT: 19-21, New SAT: 510-540, Old SAT: 460-490

**Math:**
- ACT: 20-22, New SAT: 520-560, Old SAT: 490-540

Complete an approved senior year-long English and/or math course with a grade of “C−” or better:

**YES**
- Exempt from the CSU Early Start Program
- May enroll directly in college-level, baccalaureate credit-bearing courses upon admission to a CSU

**NO**
- Not exempt
- Required to participate in the CSU Early Start Program
  (Unless you meet other Early Start Program exemptions)
  Go to: [http://www.csusuccess.org/earlystart/early-start-faq](http://www.csusuccess.org/earlystart/early-start-faq)

**ENGLISH COURSES**
- Expository Reading & Writing Course (ERWC)
- AP Literature/Composition
- Weighted Honors English
- IB English

**MATH COURSES**
- All courses with a prerequisite of Algebra II or Integrated Math III, including:
  - Trigonometry
  - Math Analysis
  - Pre-Calculus or Calculus
  - AP Calculus AB or BC
  - AP Physics
  - AP Statistics

*Courses must be adopted through the UC A-G Course Management Portal and appear on the "A-G" Course Guide.

**If You Do Not Satisfy the Requirements**

You will be required to participate in the CSU Early Start Program unless you meet other Early Start exemptions. For more information visit: [http://www.csusuccess.org/earlystart/early-start-faq](http://www.csusuccess.org/earlystart/early-start-faq)

**IMPORTANT:** You will not be allowed to register for orientation or classes if you do not take appropriate action or participate in the Early Start Program (if required) in the summer before your first term at a CSU campus.

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A CAASPP EAP status of **“STANDARD NEARLY MET” (Level 2)** or **“NOT MET” (Level 1)** means you are **NOT READY** at this time to take college-level, baccalaureate, credit bearing GE written communication and/or math/quantitative reasoning courses upon admission to the CSU. Not being ready for college-level, baccalaureate credit-bearing courses does not mean you are not eligible to apply and be admitted to the CSU. If you have met all eligibility requirements, we encourage you to apply. Your readiness results are used to determine if you will need developmental courses upon enrollment.

Take a year-long English and math course in your senior year to improve your skills. Consult with your high school counselor to help you select the appropriate course(s).

A CSU **“NOT YET READY” or “NOT READY”** status also applies if you received ACT/SAT scores within the ranges listed below:

**English:**
- ACT: 18 or below, New SAT: 500 or below,
  Old SAT: 450 or below

**Math:**
- ACT: 19 or below, New SAT: 510 or below,
  Old SAT: 480 or below

**NOT EXEMPT**
Required to participate in the CSU Early Start Program
(Unless you meet other Early Start Program exemptions)
Go to: http://www.csusuccess.org/earlystart/early-start-faq

Note: Students meeting the admission requirements may apply to the CSU regardless of their EAP status. The CSU does not use the EAP results for admission purposes.

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THE EARLY START PROGRAM

The CSU Early Start Program (ESP) requires incoming first-time freshmen who do not demonstrate readiness for college-level GE written communication and/or math/quantitative reasoning courses to begin taking developmental courses before their first term. The goal of the ESP is to better prepare students in English and math, thereby improving their chances of completing a baccalaureate degree. Below is additional information on the CSU ESP:

- If you are required to participate in the ESP, you will begin in the summer before the start of your freshman year.
- The CSU campus(es) to which you are admitted will provide you information on whether or not you need to participate in the ESP.
- Upon determining which campus you will attend, please follow the directions provided by the campus on how, when and where to sign up for the ESP.
- Early Start courses are available at all CSU campuses. You can complete your ESP course(s) at a campus near you.
- California residents or AB 540 students who apply for financial aid and have an Estimated Family Contribution of $5,000 or less will be eligible for a waiver of the per unit fee.
- For more information about the ESP, including course listings, visit: www.csusuccess.org/earlystart.

IMPORTANT: You will not be allowed to register for orientation or classes if you do not participate in ESP in the summer before your first term at a CSU campus.

EAP AT THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Visit http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/StudentServices/EAP.aspx for more information on use of CAASPP EAP results for exemptions and placements into appropriate courses at the community college you plan to attend.

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Learn about English and math interactive tools: www.csusuccess.org

CSU EAP Coordinators list: calstate.edu/eap/documents/EAPRoster.pdf

Sign up for SAT: www.sat.collegeboard.org
ACT: www.actstudent.org

Learn more about the Early Start Program: www.csusuccess.org/earlystart

For more information about CAASPP go to: www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/

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