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Students often wonder what their status on “college readiness” is. The little-referenced ‘tracking system’ is one of the things The Moor has decided to explore into depth. The Moor Newspaper has decided to go on the hunt and venture the process and gathered a few useful tactics counselors utilize to assist ensure our readiness for our future.

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COUNSELOR REQUEST

Guidance counselors and teachers across campus work hard in order to ensure students stay on track for graduation as well as fulfill A-G requirements. At the beginning of the school year, counselors present to freshmen what these requirements are. Later, when students receive their transcripts in the spring of junior year, they will be able to see highlighted classes that need to be recovered. Counselor Mayela Del Rio recommends attending a summer school or an adult school that is Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)-accredited in order to make up Ds or Fs. The district does not provide A-G recovery programs, only credit recovery programs to help a student graduate. Del Rio also suggested making up classes over the summer since doing so is difficult during the school year. If students want to improve their grades, they can attend various tutoring programs at AHS, such as Moor Math tutoring, SEI for English language learners and tutoring at lunch or after school from teachers in the science department.

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“I am content with the system [AHS] offers. This system is helping me keep on track.”
- junior Elisa Martinez

THE COLLEGE CARE PLAN

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Alhambra High school ranks higher than Mark Keppel and San Gabriel High School in terms of college readiness, according to U.S. News Education. AHS has a number of resources available to help students prepare for college which contribute to that score.

In the classroom, some senior English teachers teach their students about the enrollment process, how to write a personal statement, and help with creating their application.

After-school tutoring is available to students from various teachers. Beyond teachers, the Academy of Future Educators (AFE) and AP Ambassadors both take in students seeking help on their work.

AP courses are available for numerous subjects with common choices such as Physics, American Government and Calculus. Exams for all of these subjects are held on campus.

AHS also offers a variety of extracurricular, special-interest activities, and service clubs help to diversify a student's portfolio. Speech and Debate, as well as Academic Decathlon are recognized as being favorable extracurricular activities to write down on transcripts for college, and both are offered by Alhambra High. There is also a MOORS College Prep class, otherwise known as Horizons.

“Horizons helps students by encouraging them to develop the habits of academically successful students. We focus on study skills, organization and time management while expecting them to take a rigorous curriculum and participate in extracurricular activities by setting high expectations and supporting their efforts,” Horizons teacher Dorothy Burkhart said.

EDUCATION THROUGH CCR

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In today's society, students are expected to be fully prepared for college and career life right out from high school. For students to be ready, they have to study hard and have an extensive curriculum. In addition to having a strong work ethic, students should also participate in extracurricular to maintain a well-rounded education. A strong education is essential in succeeding in college and the chosen career, but it is only a portion of what needs to be done to ensure success. Nonetheless, all of this can be achieved with the College and Career Readiness Program (CCRP).

According to Achieve, P-20, an education system that starts at pre-school to higher education, has a plan to attain success in higher education and link the gap between college and career readiness through CCRP.

A main concern that CCRP addresses is the insufficiency a traditional high school education provides in preparing students for college or training needed to achieve career goals, according to the National School Center. To solve that concern, our nation has adopted Common Core State Standards for both English Language Arts and Mathematics, where high school students go through four years of rigorous English and challenging Math classes.

Although there are concerns regarding the students' education, CCRP is working to strengthen students to be ready for higher education and further career goals.

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