

# THE BRIDGE NEWSLETTER

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**March 2025** 

Hello students, parents, partners, and friends of Bridge2College. We realize it's March Madness for the college basketball fans! It's also an important month for the college admission activities! Seniors are awaiting final decisions and financial aid offers, while Juniors refine college lists and tour campuses and sophomores and freshmen are exploring majors, choosing courses for next year and working on summer plans.

Our Advisory Board is here to help you navigate your path on the college admission process with confidence, clarity and compassion. We look forward to helping you and are honored to serve you and your families!

Johnny Baltierra, Founder & President and Advisory Board of Bridge2College

## **STUDENT INFO**

#### Admissions Results: What made the difference for our students

The seniors of 2025 are excited about their acceptances to over 100 colleges and universities. Some of the colleges and universities are USC, UCLA, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Santa Cruz, UC Irvine, UC Riverside and UC Merced! It also includes CSU Long Beach, CSU Monterey Bay, Sacramento State University, Cal Poly and Fresno State University. The difference was grit, tenacity, and commitment to their success in school, at home and in their communities!

# **PARENT GUIDES**

#### The importance of Spring College Tours

March and April are a time for families-especially families with juniors to visit and tour colleges. Bridge2College encourages our families to visit and tour at least one college, however, we would like for you to visit and tour a few more, during this time when they are deciding their colleges. Visiting and touring colleges with your son/daughter can be a wonderful experience with connecting and communicating with the admissions office at the respective colleges.



### **UPDATES**

- On Wednesday, April 2nd Johnny will be at the Western Association for College Admission Counselors (WACAC) "Share, Learn, Connect 2025" conference at St. Mary's college.
- On Saturday, April 5th is our last leadership workshop as we will discuss our "Senior Scholarship" dinner and ask our students to complete our post assessment of Bridge2College and complete our survey of Bridge2College. Our Junior Advisory Board will be responsible for our "Potluck" as we conclude our 2024-2025 year!
- On April 14th-16th, we will be taking our 40 students on a Spring break college tour to UC Davis, UC Berkeley, San Francisco State University and Stanford! We will also visit "Alcatraz Island" while on our college tour!
- On Friday, May 2nd we will be celebrating our 6th Annual "Senior Scholarship Awards" dinner at the Rivendell Event Center in Fresno at 6:00pm. Bridge2College will be awarding our 12 seniors their \$1,000 scholarship!
- Bridge2College will close our application process for students interested in applying on Saturday, May 31st. We are specifically recruiting 1st gen freshman and sophomores with a 3.5gpa for our postsecondary educational program.

# **STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

Our student spotlight is on Belen Preciado of Edison High School in Fresno. Belen has been with Bridge2College for three years and is the co-founder and president of the Folklorico Club, member of the Key Club, member of the Latino Student Union and the Latino Youth Leadership Institute. She has maintained a 3.86 GPA and is planning to study Public Health and attend UC Merced. Belen has been awarded many awards such as Perfect Attendance, High Honor Roll, and the Seal of Civic Engagement. Belen is a student with grit and determination, and we trust she will have great success in college and beyond because of her love for learning and people!

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