

THE HANCOCK PROMISE

The Hancock Promise provides 2024 graduates from high schools or adult schools within the Allan Hancock Joint Community College District the opportunity to get their first year tuition FREE.*



FIRST YEAR FREE AT AHC!

1 COMPLETE THE ONLINE ADMISSION APPLICATION

Starting October 1, 2023

1a. Going to college is MAJOR... do you know yours?

When completing the AHC admissions application, you will be asked to select a major. This is the area of study you will focus on that will lead to your future career. You want to be sure to select one aligned with your interests and career goals. If you need help deciding, take the short career quiz and/ or browse our Areas of Interest on our website before you apply at hancockcollege.edu/pathways/quiz.php.

1b. Visit www.hancockcollege.edu/apply.cccapply.php

To complete the application, you will need:

- A copy of your current high school transcript. Placement for math and English is based on high school GPA.
- Your Social Security Number or permanent resident card. If you do not have either, leave this section of the application blank.
- Your chosen major at AHC. Visit our Areas of Interest webpage at www.hancockcollege.edu/pathways/ for a list of our current associate degrees, transfer degrees, and certificates.
- An email address (please do not use your high school email address). If you or your parents do not have an email address, please sign up for one at yahoo.com or gmail.com before you get started.

Your AHC student ID (H#) and your username will be sent to the email address that you used to apply within 24-36 hours. Be sure to keep both of these in a safe place. Your AHC student ID (H#) will be used throughout your time at AHC.

2 COMPLETE THE ONLINE FAFSA OR DREAM ACT APPLICATION

Starting December 2023

To ensure that you are considered for the maximum federal and state financial aid grants you MUST apply by Tuesday, April 2, 2024.*

*Date is subject to change.

Attend a Cash for College event to receive assistance in completing either application.

- Complete the FAFSA, visit www.fafsa.gov OR complete the CA Dream Act, visit <https://dream.csac.ca.gov>
- Find and attend a Cash for College workshop at a location convenient for you at www.hancockcollege.edu/calsoap

To complete either application, you will need the following if applicable:

- Student & Parent/Adoptive Parents' Social Security Number (SSN) if you have one
- Student & Parent/Adoptive Parents' 2022 W-2's & 2022 tax returns
- Student & Parent/Adoptive Parents' records of untaxed income such as welfare benefits, SS benefits, or child support payments
- Student & Parent/Adoptive Parents' birthdates
- Student & Parent/Adoptive Parents' personal email address

AHC school code: 001111

3 COMPLETE ORIENTATION

Starting November 2023

Using your assigned username e-mailed to you in step 1b from your admission application, login to your myHancock portal at hancock.edu and select New Student Orientation to complete your orientation online.

myHancock

HELPFUL HANCOCK RESOURCES

Get to know your resources using the
Hancock Student Portal
<https://youtu.be/aS3UWLvAUQc>



Download the **myHancock mobile app** via
the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.



To view live links on the
Hancock Promise website, scan this QR code:



4 ATTEND PROMISE REGISTRATION RALLY

Starting April 26 & 27, 2024

Students can choose to follow path 4a OR 4b:

4a- Seniors attending Promise Registration Rally:

- High school seniors who complete Promise Steps 1-3 by April 5, 2024, will be invited to attend our Promise Registration Rally on April 26 & 27, 2024 to complete their first-semester plan and register for summer and/or fall classes the same day. To sign up for the event, please visit the Promise website and complete the event registration. www.hancockcollege.edu/promise

4b- Seniors completing registration on their own:

- Students unable to attend the Promise Registration Rally will need to complete the following steps to register for courses during priority registration:
 - Complete a first semester plan with an AHC counselor before Friday, April 5, 2024. Priority registration begins Friday, April 26, 2024. Questions? Call 805-922-6966 ext. 3293

- Go to [HancockCollege.edu](http:// HancockCollege.edu) and log in to your myHancock portal.
- Scroll down to "Register Add/Drop Classes"
- When you register, have your first semester education plan (SEP) available. If you need a copy, you can obtain one by logging into myHancock portal and clicking on "Degree Works".
- You **MUST** register for a minimum of 12 units for the fall 2024 AND spring 2025 semesters. There is NO minimum-unit requirement if you attend summer 2024.
- You **MUST** register and complete one English and one math class during the summer, fall, or spring semester, if required by your program of study (major).

While we highly encourage students to attend the registration event, students who are unable to attend the Promise Registration Rally can visit the Admissions and Records website to review Steps to Enrollment: www.hancockcollege.edu/apply/register.php

Priority registration for Promise students is only available upon completion of steps 1-3 AND creation of a first semester plan.

Congratulations! You have completed steps 1-4. You are now a **Hancock Promise student!**

CHECK YOUR FINANCIAL AID STATUS AFTER YOU REGISTER

- Go to [HancockCollege.edu](http:// HancockCollege.edu) and log in to your **myHancock portal**
- Scroll to the "Financial Aid" button and click **"My Financial Aid"**
- Choose the Award Year: **"Summer 2024 to Spring 2025."** You will see your unsatisfied requirement/documents.



- If you have a Financial Aid Task (unsatisfied requirements), you will need to create an account before you can continue. Use your last name, as reported on your FAFSA when creating your account.
- Double click on each of the required items and complete each task/document listed. You may need to print, scan, and upload to submit these documents. If you are unable to upload, email the completed and signed documents to finaid@ HancockCollege.edu.

Important Steps:

Students must complete and submit all of the required documents before they can receive any financial aid funds. The priority deadline to complete your financial aid file for summer 2024 students is **May 24, 2024**. The priority deadline to complete your financial aid file for fall 2024 students is **July 26, 2024**. For questions, call the Financial Aid office at 805-922-6966 ext. 3200.

If you missed your opportunity to complete any of the Hancock Promise steps, you can call our Outreach Team to schedule a time to assist you in completing Promise requirements at 805-922-6966 ext. 3293. You can also visit the Promise website to view additional enrollment information www.hancockcollege.edu/promise.

5 COMPLETE A COMPREHENSIVE STUDENT EDUCATION PLAN (SEP)

May - October 2024

- Complete your SEP before registration begins for the spring 2025 semester, which is usually in early November. A comprehensive SEP is a semester-by-semester plan created with an AHC Counselor listing all the courses you will need to complete to reach your educational goal. To make an appointment, please call the Counseling office 805-922-6966 ext. 3293. You can also make an appointment via SuccessNet using the tutorial in this video: <https://youtu.be/ixvQ7AVrcB4>

All Hancock Promise steps must be completed no later than the start of fall 2024 semester.

The priority timelines shown above have been developed to ensure that students have maximum access to priority registration services at AHC for summer & fall 2024; are awarded the Hancock Promise Award before they register (no fees/tuition will need to be paid); and have financial aid resources (funds to pay for books and supplies) when the semester begins. Completion of these steps after the priority timelines will still be accepted and processed on a first-come, first-serve basis from October 2023-September 2024.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Enroll at AHC immediately after graduating from high school (includes public, charter, private or home schools) **OR** adult schools located within the AHJCC district.

- Complete the FAFSA or CDA.
- Register and complete a minimum of 12 units in both fall and spring semesters. There is NO minimum unit requirement if you attend summer school.
- Maintain a 2.0 grade point average in the fall semester in order to be eligible for the Promise in the spring semester.
- Complete one English and one math class during the summer/fall 2024 or spring 2025 semesters at AHC, if required by the program of study.

BENEFITS

- Save more than \$1,200 in tuition and fees your first year at Allan Hancock College
- Receive first pick of classes with priority registration
- Set a plan for success with personalized counseling
- Receive free tutoring and other academic support services

HANCOCK PROMISE EVENTS

After high school graduation, the support continues! Join us at Hancock in the summer before classes begin and during the fall at our following events:

- Tuesdays at Hancock: July 9, 2024
- Tuesdays at Hancock: July 16, 2024
- Tuesdays at Hancock: July 23, 2024
- Hancock Hello- Santa Maria: July 30, 2024
- Hancock Hello- Lompoc: August 6, 2024
- Bulldog Bow-WOW- Santa Maria: September 11, 2024
- Bulldog Bow-WOW- Lompoc: September 18, 2024

More details are available on the Hancock Promise website!

FOR MORE INFORMATION,

please read the FAQs at www.hancockcollege.edu/promise or contact us at 805-922-6966 ext. 3264 or promise@ HancockCollege.edu.