

College Planning Night



WELCOME

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3700 Colleges in the US

- Community College (Associates Degree)
- 2 year private schools
- NJ state colleges/universities
- Out of State colleges/universities
- Specialized Schools
 - Culinary arts
 - Military
 - Art
 - Music

Decision Factor

- Size of school
- Location
- Distance from home
- Activities/Athletics
- Public vs. private
- Co-ed/single sex
- Entrance Requirements
- Reputation of School
- Majors Available
- Cost
- Campus environment
- Legacy
- Co-Ops/Internships
- Study Abroad

Your Search Should Include

- Computer programs (Naviance)
- Internet searches
 - College Board
 - US News
- College fairs - 3/31/20 @ TRN HS
- Brochures
- College Catalogues

Your Search Should Include:

- Counselor conferences
- High School Admission Visits (JLHS/JMHS)
- School visits
 - Campus tour
 - Department tours
 - Open house
 - Interview
 - Overnight stays/class visits
 - Special events

How Schools Evaluate Candidates

HS Course Selection

Grades/GPA

Rank in Class

SAT/ACT Scores

Letters of Recommendations

Evaluation, con't

- Leadership positions
- Activities (sports, clubs, community service, jobs)
- Essay or Graded Essay
- Recommendations
 - Ask teacher(s) end of junior year

SAT

[https://**sat**.collegeboard.org/](https://sat.collegeboard.org/)

- March 14, May 2, June 6, and August (TBA)
- Refer to handout
- Proper ID
- Register early
- JMHS testing site
- SAT Reasoning vs Subject test
- Writing Section Optional

ACT

www.actstudent.org

Test Content

English 75 questions (45 minutes) Measures standard written English and rhetorical skills

Mathematics 60 questions (60 minutes) Measures mathematical skills students have typically acquired in courses taken up to the beginning of grade 12

Reading 40 questions (35 minutes) Measures reading comprehension

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College Application Process

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STEP 1: Junior Year

MEETING WITH COUNSELORS

February 20-21st there will be a **Junior Scheduling Presentation**; soon after counselors will be meeting individually with your student to discuss Scheduling and the College Application Process.

Welcome, Emily!

Search for Colleges



Type a college name

SEARCH

Welcome Naviance Student upgrade

This year we are making it easier than ever for you to answer the questions that will shape your future. Who am I? What do I want to be? How will I get there? and How Will I Succeed?

We have upgraded to Naviance Student for the 2018-19 school year. Naviance Student is the engaging, mobile-responsive replacement for Naviance Family Connection. It is easy to use with familiar events and workflow. Naviance Student, just like Family

My Favorites



COLLEGES

I'm thinking about



COLLEGES

I'm applying to



CAREERS AND CLUSTERS

I'm thinking about

College Application Process

- **STEP 2: End of Junior Year & Summer**

- **'ABOUT ME' TAB**
- 1. Complete the following under Surveys:
 - Parent Brag Sheet
 - Student Brag Sheet
 - Complete RESUME

College Application Process

- **STEP 2: End of Junior Year & Summer, continued**

COLLEGES TAB: 'colleges home'

- 1. Request Teacher Recommendations (scroll down)
 - a. ASK TEACHER FIRST
 - b. If teacher requests further information refer back to Surveys and complete teacher brag sheet

STEP 3: Summer

- Start to finalize your list of colleges
 - 8-10
- Complete college visits
- Finalize in Naviance (From Step 1)
 - “Colleges I’m thinking about” - add colleges
 - Reviewing “Scattergram” - to see a realistic view of acceptance requirements
- Visit Colleges and complete researching colleges

College Application Process

- **STEP 4: SUMMER- FALL SENIOR YEAR**
- Within the first month your student will meet with their counselor to update their progress
- Go to *Commonapp.org* create an account using SAME e-mail address as your Naviance e-mail - NOT SCHOOL G-MAIL ACCOUNT
- Sign FERPA on Common App- "waive your rights" recommended
- Naviance- "College" tab, "Colleges I'm applying to"- add colleges and match your account

College Application Process

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- Complete application
- Add your colleges and answer supplemental questions
- Submit application

**NOTE- Not all colleges participate with Common Application -some directly to institution*

Be sure to manually add colleges to Naviance; Colleges I am applying to.

Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR)

- Rutgers
- University of Delaware
- **Deadlines-** most schools want just the application; however some want all documents in by the deadline.

Hearing from Colleges

- Regular Decision (April 1)
- Rolling Admission (reviewed as received)
- Early Decision
- Early Action (prior to ~12/15)
- Priority Rutgers (October 1st)
- Instant/Immediate Decision Day

Miscellaneous

- SAT-fee waiver
- Application fee waiver
- NCAA Clearinghouse
- College Athletics
- Auditions
- Portfolios
- EOF/EOP programs

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Financial Aid Process

EOP/EOF Undergraduate Eligibility:

- Must demonstrate an educationally and economically disadvantaged background
- Must be a New Jersey resident 12 consecutive months prior to receiving the award
- Must apply and be accepted to a participating New Jersey college or university
- Must meet the academic criteria as set by the institution of choice
- Must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

EOP/EOF Eligibility

Family Size	Income
1	23,540
2	31,860
3	40,180
4	48,500
5	56,820
6	65,140
7	73,460

Basic Financial Aid

What is financial aid?

Money that is supplied by some source outside of the family to help pay for the cost of the student's education beyond high school (Grants, Work-Study, Loans, scholarships, etc.)

Federal Programs include grants, work-study, and loans

State Programs include NJ STARs, Tuition Aid Grant (TAG), Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF)

Basic Financial Aid Con't

- Local Scholarships
 - Application completed online
 - Must apply to be eligible for local scholarship
 - Typically application becomes available the last week of February and remains open for 3 weeks.
 - Scholarship Committee selection vs. organization selection

Basic Financial Aid Con't

- Private Scholarships
 - Merit Scholarships (PSAT)
 - Lists and applications found on Naviance
 - Typically applications are completed during senior year
 - Where to look
 - Employers
 - College applying/attending (contact financial aid office)
 - Naviance
 - Fastweb.com

How to Apply for Federal and State Aid

- FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Aid)
 - October of senior year
 - FREE
 - Apply online- www.fafsa.ed.gov
 - www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov
 - Some schools require other forms
 - Profile from Collegeboard
 - Up to 10 schools

Determining Financial Need

Cost of attendance - Estimated Family Contribution
= Financial Need

$$\text{COA} - \text{EFC} = \text{Need}$$

Student Aid Report

- Contains FAFSA info and EFC
- Corrections can be made
- Data automatically sent to schools listed on FAFSA

“The Package”

- Each college will send you an individualized financial aid package
 - Schools may meet all or some of your need
 - Different from school to school

SAVE THE DATE

March 31, 2020- OCPGA College Night;
RWJ Barnabas Health Arena- TRNHS-
5:30pm-8pm

October 2020- Jackson Financial Aid Night
Jackson Liberty HS Auditorium

Where do I go from here?

Net Price Calculator- each school website

Create FSA ID

What do the colleges want? know deadlines

Scholarship sites

609-584-4480- HESAA hotline

Thank You for Attending

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