

Harborfields High School

The College Application Process

Class of 2024

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College Admission Criteria

- GPA/Transcript
- SAT/ACT
- Letters of Recommendation
- Personal Essay/Supplemental Essays
- Extracurricular Activities

Finalizing Your List

- Please utilize ‘SuperMatch College Search’ or ‘Advanced Search’ in Naviance, along with college websites to assist in finalizing your list of colleges
- Creating a well-balanced list
- Factors to consider include:
 - Location/setting
 - Size of school
 - Campus culture
 - Majors/special programs
 - Cost of attendance

Application Procedures

Students need to do the following:

- Schedule a conference with your counselor
- Notify your counselor if you are applying EA/ED
- Sign FERPA Waiver (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act) on Common App
- Send standardized test scores/self report
- Complete the personal statement (college essay) and be mindful of supplemental writing requirements
- Submit transcript request (using the yellow Transcript Processing Form)
 - **Must be submitted to the Guidance Resource Center (GRC) 10 days prior to application deadline**
- Request letters of recommendation on Naviance

Application Procedures (continued)

Guidance will send:

- Official transcripts
 - Once the yellow transcript processing form is turned into Mrs. Staib in the Guidance Resource Center

- Letters of recommendation

- Secondary School Report

- Harborfields High School Profile

Transcript Processing Request

*Failure to complete and submit this form will result in your application being incomplete.

Harborfields High School College Transcript Processing Request

Student Name (Last, First)

Counselor

E-Mail Address

Cell Number

PROCESSING POLICIES & DEADLINES

We process requests chronologically by the date received and cannot guarantee late requests will meet college deadlines.

College Application Deadline is:

Transcript Request Due to Mrs. Staib in GRC by:

October 15th	October 1st
November 1st	October 14th
November 15th	November 2nd
December 1st	November 12th
January 1st	December 7th
After January 1st	Ten school days prior to due date

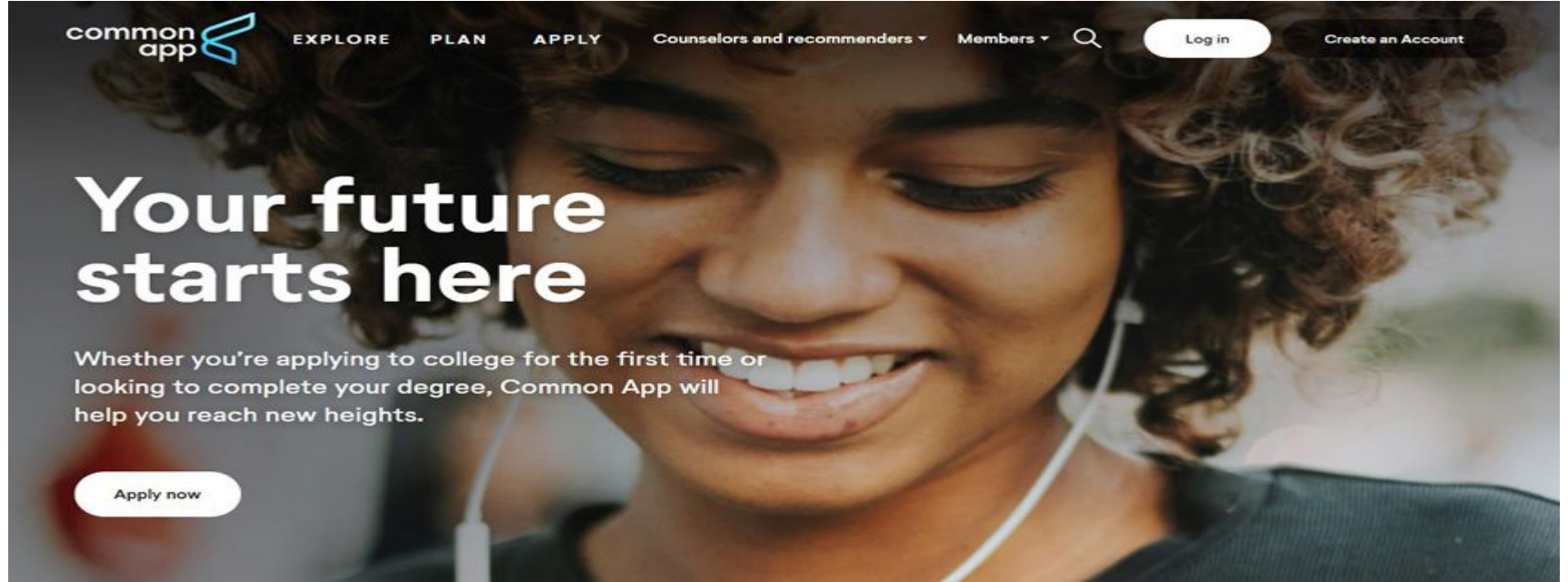
STUDENT CHECKLIST

- Brag sheet, parent brag sheet, activity/resume sheet submitted to counselor
- Teacher recommendation requests complete on Naviance
- Common App Account set up **AND** FERPA Agreement completed; Naviance account matched to Common App
- Student is responsible for reporting SAT and/or ACT scores to colleges. For SAT, go to <http://sat.collegeboard.org/scores>. For ACT, go to <http://www.act.org> to process!

Teacher Recommendations

Applying

- The Common Application (most commonly used)
 - Other methods of applying: SUNY/CUNY, Coalition, individual school applications



The image shows the homepage of the Common App website. At the top left is the 'common app' logo. The navigation menu includes 'EXPLORE', 'PLAN', 'APPLY', 'Counselors and recommenders', and 'Members'. On the right side of the navigation bar are 'Log in' and 'Create an Account' buttons. The main heading reads 'Your future starts here'. Below this, a paragraph states: 'Whether you're applying to college for the first time or looking to complete your degree, Common App will help you reach new heights.' At the bottom left, there is an 'Apply now' button.

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Can I Make a Change to a Submitted Application on the Common App? NO

- *Once an application or writing supplement has been submitted to any institution, you cannot make any changes to that application*
- *If you need to change information on a submitted application, you must contact the college's admissions office directly to ask how they would like you to proceed.*

Naviance

- Used for the electronic submission of application materials;
 - Transcript, Letters of Recommendation, School Profile, Secondary School Report
- Register for college information sessions
- College research
- Request teacher recommenders

The screenshot displays the Naviance website interface. At the top left is the logo for NAVIANCE BY POWERSCHOOL. The navigation menu includes Home, Self-Discovery, Careers, Colleges, and Planner. On the right side of the navigation bar, there are icons for a heart, a dropdown arrow, the text 'Demo', another dropdown arrow, a plus sign, and an envelope icon. Below the navigation bar, a large dark blue banner reads 'Welcome, Demo D'Annunzio!'. Underneath this banner is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Search for Colleges' and a search icon, followed by a white input field with the placeholder text 'Type a college name'. Below the search bar, there are two main content areas. The left area is titled 'Welcome Back Seniors' and features a language dropdown set to 'English' and a 'Go' button. The text below this title reads: 'Welcome Back Seniors!! College Visits have begun! There are over eighty colleges scheduled to visit already this year, don't miss out on the opportunity to meet and connect with a representative from a school you are interested in (or discover one that you didn't know you were interested in)! A list of colleges visiting is under "What's New" on your home page.' The right area is titled 'My Favorites' and contains two items, each with a red heart icon and the text 'COLLEGES I'm thinking about' and 'COLLEGES I'm applying to'.

College Visits

- Students can register for in-person college visits in the Guidance Resource Center using Naviance

What's New



University of Miami will be visiting your school on Monday, September 19th, 2022 at 11:30 am [more info](#)



Colgate University will be visiting your school on Monday, September 19th, 2022 at 12:15 pm [more info](#)



Syracuse University will be visiting your school on Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 at 8:30 am [more info](#)



Merrimack College will be visiting your school on Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 at 9:15 am [more info](#)



Louisiana State University will be visiting your school on Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 at 10:00 am [more info](#)



College of Charleston will be visiting your school on Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 at 11:30 am [more info](#)



Ithaca College will be visiting your school on Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 at 12:15 pm [more info](#)

Matching Common Application & Naviance

- Login to Common App and select FERPA in the “My Colleges” tab
 - Must be completed using the student login
- Sign the FERPA Waiver
- Login to Naviance and select “Colleges I’m Applying to”
- If the accounts have been successfully matched, you will be redirected back to Naviance



Application Deadlines

- Early Decision (legally binding)
- Early Action (non-binding)
- Regular Admission
- Rolling Admission

***Students should check with individual institutions for exact deadlines and particular restrictions**

	Application deadline	Admission decision
Early decision	Early to mid-November	Mid-December
Early action	Early to mid-November	Mid-December
Regular decision	Early January to mid-February	Mid-March to early April
Rolling admission	Varies	4-6 weeks after submission

Standardized Testing

To Register for the
SAT test

visit: www.collegeboard.org

Upcoming 2023 Test Dates:

October 7, 2023

November 4, 2023

December 2, 2023

Check College Board's website for additional
test dates

To view and send SAT scores:

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/scores/getting-scores>

To Register for the ACT
visit: www.actstudent.org

Upcoming 2023 Test Dates:

October 28, 2023

December 9, 2023

Check ACT's website for additional test dates

To view and send ACT scores:

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/scores.html>

Financing your Education

- The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) application opens in December (new this year)
 - www.fafsa.gov
- CSS Profile
 - www.cssprofile.collegeboard.org
- HESC (Higher Education Services Corporation) administers the New York State TAP (Tuition Assistance Program)
 - www.hesc.ny.gov
- Scholarships
 - www.fastweb.com
 - www.niche.com
 - www.collegeboard.org
 - www.scholarships.com
 - Scholarship Bulletin on the Guidance Google Classroom (**r25qxhu**) and the Guidance Website

Upcoming Events

- October 18th, 2023 – Mini College Fair, 10:30AM-12PM
- October 25th, 2023 – Naviance Workshop, 7PM
- November 8th, 2023 – Digital SAT/ACT Parent Informational Night, 7PM (led by Princeton Review)

Thank You!