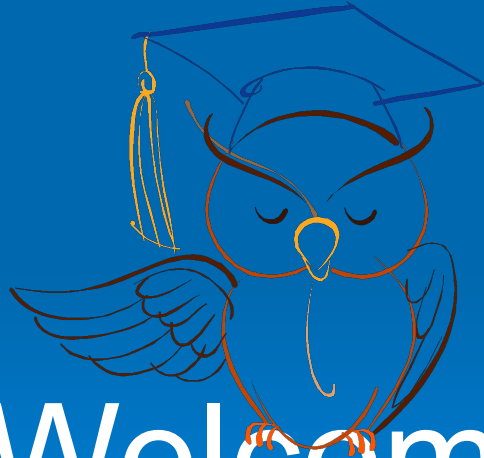


# Junior & Senior/ Parent Night



# Welcome!



SCAN ME

# High School Years

## Minimum Requirements



- 4 credits of English (1 sequence)
- 4 credits of Social Studies
- 3 credits of Math
- 3 credits of Science (1 Life Science—Biology, and 1 Physical Science—Earth Science)
- 1 credit of Foreign Lang.
- 1 credit of Fine Arts
- 1/2 credit health
- 2 credits phys. Ed
- 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  credits worth of electives

22 Total Credits

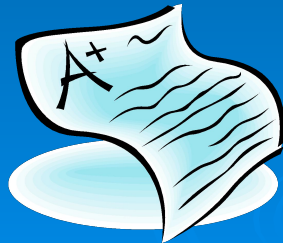
Course Description Handbook



SCAN ME

# Gemini Courses

- College level courses taught by RCS teachers certified through FLCC.
- FLCC transferability form
- Transcript from FLCC



Composition I—3 credits

Composition II—3 credits

Introduction to Psychology—3 credits

Introduction to Sociology—3 credits

Biology 121—4 credits

Spanish 201—3 credits (Spanish IV)

Spanish 202—3 credits (Spanish IV)

Spanish 203—3 credits (Spanish V)

Pre-Calculus—3 credits

Calculus—4 credits

Early US History 110—3 credits

Modern US History 111—3 credits

Survey of Economics—3 credits

Art History Pre-History to Middle Ages—3 credits

Art History Renaissance to Modern Art—3 credits

# SAT, ACT & PSAT



## □ SAT **Scholastic Aptitude Test**

- Tests critical thinking and problem solving
- The SAT tests vocabulary much more than the ACT.
- The highest score is 1600. Average is 1000.
- The SAT is an **aptitude** test, testing reasoning, verbal abilities, and critical thinking
- Score categories:
  - Evidenced Based Reading and Writing
  - Math
  - Optional essay

## PSAT's—Juniors

Preliminary SAT's

Given to Juniors as a predictor/practice exam to gauge SAT results. I will go over results with each student and mail home their results.

## □ ACT **American College Test**

- Content-based test-- English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and an optional Writing Test
- The ACT largely tests English grammar and punctuation.
- The highest score is 36. 19-23 is an average score
- The ACT is an **achievement** test—curriculum based, measuring what a student has learned in school.
- Score categories:
  - English
  - Math
  - Reading
  - Science Reasoning
  - Writing optional

# SAT and ACT

- PHOTO NEEDED for REGISTRATION -
  - Along with admissions ticket
    - —**NO TICKET, NO PHOTO, NO ADMISSION**—
- Walk-in standby test takers will not be admitted
- Changes to test center, test date or test type will not be permitted on test day
- **To register:**
  - [sat.org](https://sat.org)
  - [actstudent.org](https://actstudent.org)

Romulus School Code  
**334910**



# Upcoming dates

To register visit:  
[sat.org](https://sat.org) and/or [actstudent.org](https://actstudent.org)



ACT Test Date		Registration Deadline		SAT Test Date		Registration Deadline	
6/11/2022		5/6/2022		6/4/2022		5/5/2022	
7/16/2022		6/17/2022		8/27/2022		7/29/2022	
9/10/2022		8/5/2022		10/1/2022		9/2/2022	
10/22/2022		9/16/2022		11/5/2022		10/7/2022	
12/10/2022		11/4/2022		12/3/2022		11/3/2022	
2/11/2023		1/6/2023		3/11/2023		2/10/2023	
04/15/2023		3/10/2023		05/06/2023		4/7/2023	
6/10/2023		5/5/2023		06/03/2023		05/04/2023	
7/15/2023		6/16/2023					

# Diploma Types

## EXAMS FOR REGENTS DIPLOMA: (5)

- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Math (Algebra, Geometry, or Algebra II)
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Science (Living Environment, Earth Science, Chemistry or Physics)
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Social Studies  
Global or US History
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ English 11
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ 1 of the following:  
Math, Science, Social Studies, CTE



## EXAMS FOR REGENTS WITH ADVANCED DESIGNATION DIPLOMA: (8-9)

- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Algebra
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Geometry
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Algebra II
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Science
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Science
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ LOTE, Tech Center or SS sequence
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ Global History 10
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ US History 11
- ☐ \_\_\_\_ English 11

Local Diploma = CSE students only who DO NOT satisfy criteria for a Regents Diploma

With Honors—average of 90% or higher on all regents exams pertaining to his/her specific diploma  
Mastery in Science and/or Math recognition—85 or higher on all 3 Science and/or all 3 Math Regents exams

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Romulus, NY 14541

## Romulus Central School District

\*\*OFFICIAL DOCUMENT\*\*  
Valid Only If Signed  
ACT/CEEB: 334910

Name: Student ID: 67336 Class Rank: 21 in a class of 27  
Gender: DOB: 04/17/2003 Unweighted GPA: 72.39  
Address: Graduation Date: 6/26/2021 Weighted GPA: 72.45  
Credits Earned: 28.00  
Parent(s): Diploma Type: NYS Regents Counselor: Victoria McCusker

2016-2017 Grade:08 GREECE CSD		GPA:69.20 Credits:2.50		Testing Information		
Course Name	Final Avg	Credits		Date	State Test Scores	Score
Algebra	65	1.00		01/18	Exam	87
English 9	68	1.00			Regents Common Core	
Googles Basics	80	0.50			Examination in Algebra I	
2017-2018 Grade:09 GREECE CSD		GPA:73.69 Credits:6.50		06/18	Regents Common Core	69
Course Name	Final Avg	Credits		06/18	Examination in Geometry	
DDP-Design, Drawing And Production	66	1.00		06/18	Regents Living Environment	91
English 10	66	1.00		06/19	Regents Physical Setting/Earth Science	85
Geometry (CC)	69	1.00		06/19	Regents U.S. History & Government (Framework)	79
Global 9	72	1.00		06/20	Regents Comprehensive English	EX
H.S. Phys. Ed.	88	0.50		06/20	Regents U.S. History & Government (Framework)	EX
Living Environment	88	1.00				
Spanish I	74	1.00				
2018-2019 Grade:10 GREECE CSD		GPA:72.00 Credits:6.50				
Course Name	Final Avg	Credits				
Construction I	94	0.50				
Construction II	69	0.50				
Earth Science	69	1.00				
Global 10	69	1.00				
H.S. Phys. Ed.	65	0.50				
Health 10	71	0.50				
Intermediate Algebra	71	1.00				
Spanish II	75	1.00				
Strategies for Success	69	0.50				
2019-2020 Grade:11 GREECE CSD		GPA:74.31 Credits:8.00				
Course Name	Final Avg	Credits				
Electrical Trades-P	72	4.00				
English 11 CC Online	77	1.00				
Math/Financial Application	70	1.00				
Team Games	95	0.50				
Tech Center Science-PO	70	0.50				
US History	77	1.00				
2020-2021 Grade:12 Romulus Middle/High School		Abs:0 Tdy:0 GPA:69.82 Credits:4.50				
Course Name	Final Avg	Credits				
College Survey of Economics	71	0.50				
Digital Photography	70	1.00				
English 12	65	1.00				
Government	69	0.50				
H.S. Phys. Ed.	76	0.50				
World Of Technology	71	1.00				

Course Code Keys:	
W/P	= Withdraw Passing
AUD	= Audit
P	= Pass
F	= Fail
W/F	= Withdraw Failing
W	= Weighted Course
Exam Codes:	
ABS	= Absent
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### NOTES:

Course Grades appearing in (Parenthesis) are not yet final course grades, but are "In Progress" grades.

Signature

September 13, 2021

Date

# The Transcript

~HS credits only

~FLCC credits come from  
official FLCC transcript

~FLCC transferability form





# The College Visit!!



- Visit a “maybe” college first
- Schedule interviews with Admission Counselors
- Have questions ready
- Make appointments with financial aid, and potential major/minor departments (if known)
- Visit while students are there
- Ask about scholarships
- Select 3-5 colleges—Don’t disregard Community Colleges!!

# Student Responsibilities

- Seek out letters of recommendation as soon as possible- give teachers enough time to write one--about two weeks
- Fill out applications—
  - common application, SUNY application, etc.
- Listen to/Read announcements
- Remember DEADLINES!!
- Application Fee —online or mailed (Fee waivers available)
- Essays—supplemental



# Application Terms



## □ Early decision = Locked in—Binding commitment

- Your child agrees to attend the college if it accepts him/her. Can only apply early decision to one college. May apply to other colleges through the regular admissions process. If he/she is accepted by the first-choice college early, your child must withdraw all other applications. Usually, colleges insist on a nonrefundable deposit well before May 1. **IF YOU ARE DOING EARLY DECISION PLEASE LET ME KNOW!**

## □ Early action—Not locked in—Non-Binding Commitment

- If your child has been accepted, he/she can choose to commit to the college immediately, or wait until the spring. Under these plans, your child may also apply early action to other colleges. Usually, your child has until the late spring to let the college know his decision.

## □ Rolling admissions—

- No specific deadline, applications are reviewed as they are received. Keep in mind that at some colleges and universities, financial aid and housing may be doled out on a first-come, first-served basis, which means that those who wait until the last minute may secure a place in the entering class but not the money to pay for it or a bed to sleep in

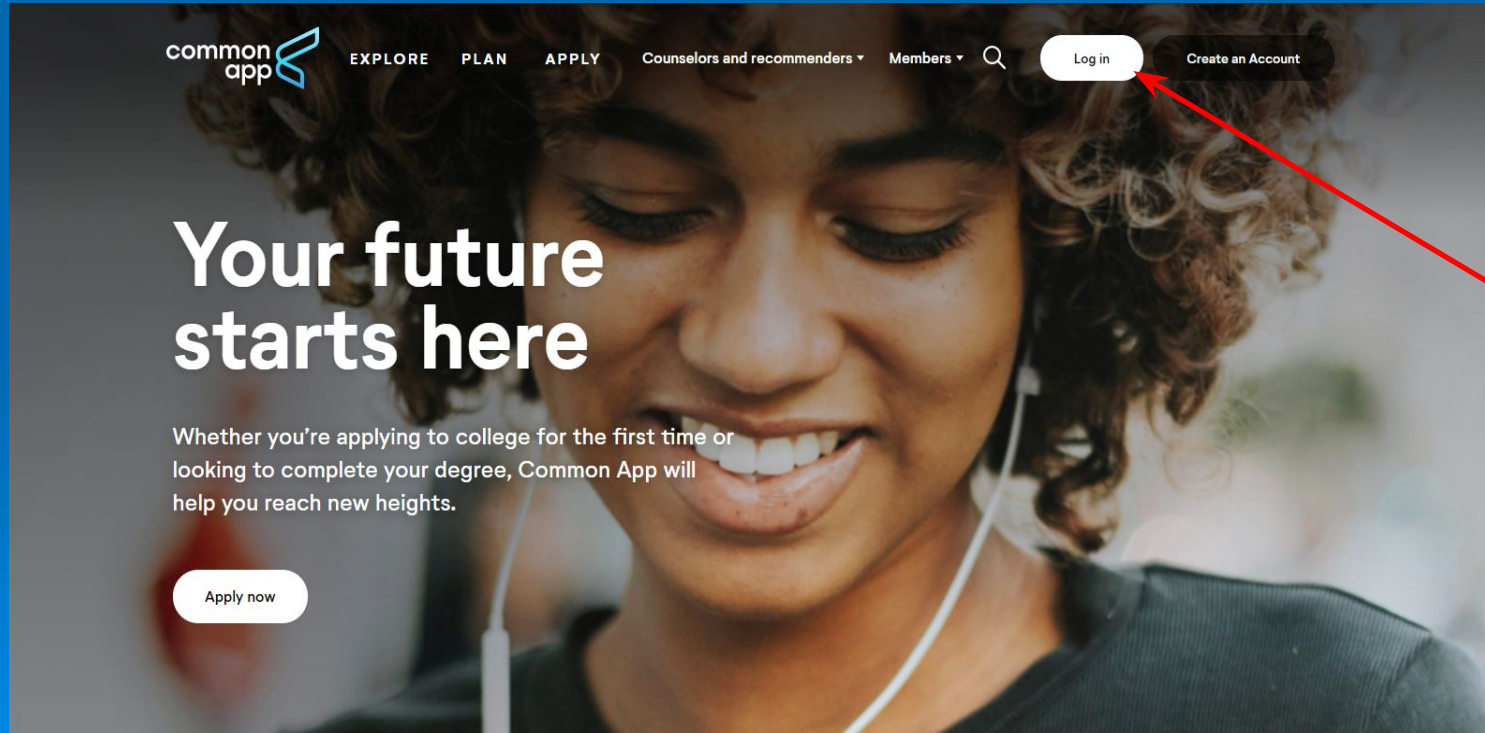
## □ Open admissions/Open enrollment—

- A policy that permits enrollment of a student in a college or university without regard to academic qualifications.

# Common Application

[Commonapp.org](https://Commonapp.org)

[Common App first-year application 2022–2023 walkthrough | Common App](#)



# Common Application

THE COMMON  
APPLICATION

Welcome, Vicky!  
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Sign Out

Dashboard

My Colleges

Common App

College Search

Financial Aid Resources

My Colleges Requirements

My Colleges (3)	Writing Requirements	Deadline	Application	Writing Supplement	Remove
▶ Le Moyne College		—			
▶ SUNY Fredonia		—			
▶ SUNY Oswego		—			

## Instructions and Help

### Application Term Dictionary

Not familiar with the app lingo? Our [\[+\]](#)

[\[more\]](#)

### How can I view a college's Writing Supplement, if they have one?

There are two ways you can access a college's Writing Supplement.

1. From the Dashboard, ... [\[+\]](#)

[\[more\]](#)

### I already submitted, can I change some of my answers?

You can return at any time and change your answer to any question in the Common App tab for future ... [\[+\]](#)

[\[more\]](#)

# Common Application

The screenshot shows the Common Application website in a Google Chrome browser. The address bar displays `https://app.commonapp.org/ca4app#lm/142/About`. The top navigation bar includes links for Apps, SchoolTool, NYSED - Level 0, TAA, asap.edute..., Guidance Direct - T..., Reporting Tools - E..., IRS Business Portal, https://accelerateu..., Course Details - Le..., Frontline - Sign In, and Family Counseling... A welcome message for 'Vicky!' is visible in the top right, along with a 'Sign Out' button. The main navigation bar contains 'Dashboard', 'My Colleges' (highlighted with a red arrow), 'Common App', 'College Search', and 'Financial Aid Resources'. On the left, a sidebar for 'Le Moyne College' is expanded, showing 'Application' (0 of 3 Completed) with links for Questions, Recommenders and FERPA, and Review and Submit - Common App. Below this are 'SUNY Fredonia' and 'SUNY Oswego' with expandable icons. A red arrow points to the 'My Colleges' tab, and a green bracket with the text 'Click on boxes' points to the college selection area. The main content area for Le Moyne College includes 'Contact Info' (Phone: (800) 333-4733, Fax: 1419 Salt Springs Rd, Syracuse, NY 13214-1301 USA, Email: admission@lemoyne.edu, and links for College Website, Virtual Tour, and Department of Education), 'Application Deadlines' (Fall 2019: First Year Early Action - 11/15/2018, Rolling Admission - 03/01/2019; Spring 2019: First Year Rolling Admission - 12/01/2018), 'Other Deadline Information', and 'Application Information'. On the right, a sidebar titled 'Instructions and Help' contains links and text about college visibility and writing supplements.

The Common Application

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**Le Moyne College**

Application  
(0 of 3 Completed)

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SUNY Fredonia +

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USA  
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[View College Website](#) | [Virtual Tour](#)  
[College Navigator \(Department of Education\)](#)

**Application Deadlines**

Fall 2019	Spring 2019
<b>First Year</b> Early Action - 11/15/2018 Rolling Admission - 03/01/2019	<b>First Year</b> Rolling Admission - 12/01/2018

**Other Deadline Information**

Early Action applications that are submitted after the November 15 deadline will be reviewed on a rolling basis.  
Applicants interested in our Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP) should submit an application by February 1.  
Direct Entry Physician Assistant applications should be submitted no later than February 1.

**Application Information**

**Instructions and Help**

Can a college see the list of colleges on the My Colleges list?  
A school cannot view any other schools on your My Colleges list and does not receive any inf... [+]  
[more]

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There are two ways you can access a college's Writing Supplement.  
1. From the Dashboard, ... [+]  
[more]

What is the min/max word count for the essays on the Questions page or Writing Supplement?

# Common Application

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[Education](#)  
[Testing](#)  
[Activities](#) ✓  
[Writing](#)

▼ Activity 1

Activity type  

Select ▼

Position/Leadership

Participation grade levels  

☐ 9

☐ 10

☐ 11

☐ 12

☐ PG

☐ FY

☐ SO

☐ JR

I intend to participate while in college  

☐ Yes

☐ No

Help Center ➔

Participation grade levels

The acronyms are as follows:  
9-12 = High School grades  
PG= Post Graduate  
[ + ]  
[\[more\]](#) ➔

Information on the Application Fee

For information on the application fee and how to make the payment, please review the video:  
... [ + ]  
[\[more\]](#) ➔

Submitting your Common Application

Learn how to submit your Common Application by watching the video:  
[\[more\]](#) ➔

Learn to Manage your Application

To learn how the Common Application works and how to



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COLLEGE COSTS AND AID OFFERS



Learn about the resources that can help make college education affordable for you and your family.

For many applicants and their families, the most challenging part of the journey to college is the price tag.

If you're wondering, "How am I going to pay for college?" you have options. In fact, there's more help available to you than you might realize.

## The Federal Government

From federal grants, to federal student loans, to employment through the federal work-study program, the U.S. Department of Education awards about \$150 billion a year to more than 13 million students and is the largest source of financial aid for students. Start by visiting the Department of Education's **Office of Federal Student Aid** to learn about the **different types of financial aid** available to you.

To apply for federal aid, you must complete the **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), a form the government uses to give money for college to students who need it. The online form is available starting October 1, 2017! Complete it as early as you can to ensure full eligibility.

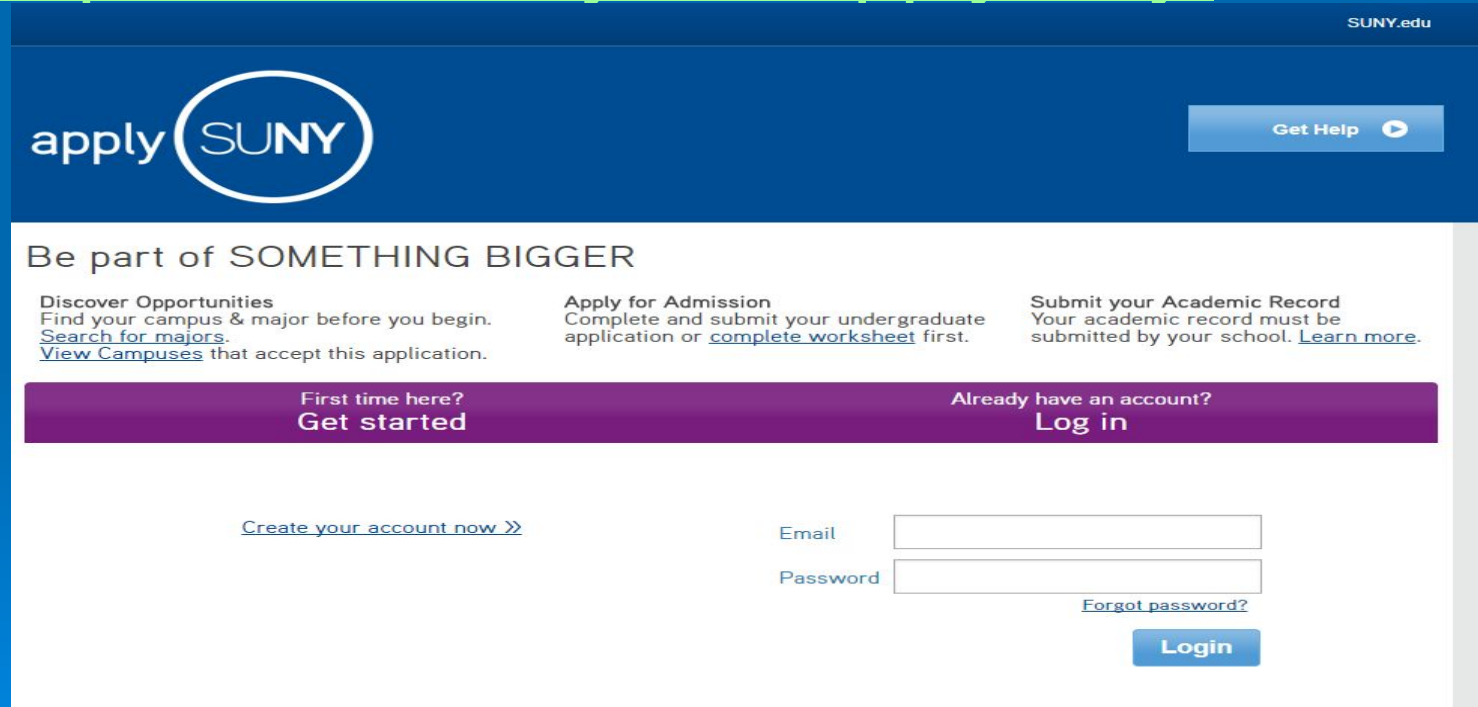


**TIP:** Did you know that many eligible students do not even apply for financial aid? ... [\[+\]](#)



# SUNY APPLICATION

□ <https://www.suny.edu/applysuny/>

A screenshot of the SUNY Application website. The header is dark blue with the 'apply SUNY' logo on the left and a 'SUNY.edu' link on the right. A 'Get Help' button with a play icon is also in the header. The main content area is white. It starts with the heading 'Be part of SOMETHING BIGGER'. Below this are three columns of text: 'Discover Opportunities' with links to 'Search for majors' and 'View Campuses'; 'Apply for Admission' with a link to 'complete worksheet'; and 'Submit your Academic Record' with a link to 'Learn more'. A purple bar contains two buttons: 'First time here? Get started' and 'Already have an account? Log in'. Below the bar, there is a link 'Create your account now >>' and a login form with fields for 'Email' and 'Password', a 'Forgot password?' link, and a 'Login' button.

SUNY.edu

apply SUNY

Get Help

Be part of SOMETHING BIGGER

**Discover Opportunities**  
Find your campus & major before you begin.  
[Search for majors.](#)  
[View Campuses](#) that accept this application.

**Apply for Admission**  
Complete and submit your undergraduate application or [complete worksheet](#) first.

**Submit your Academic Record**  
Your academic record must be submitted by your school. [Learn more.](#)

First time here?  
**Get started**

Already have an account?  
**Log in**

[Create your account now >>](#)

Email

Password

[Forgot password?](#)

**Login**

# SUNY APPLICATION

The screenshot shows the SUNY Undergraduate Application portal. Red arrows highlight the following elements:

- The "apply (SUNY) Portal" header.
- The "SUNY Undergraduate Application" title.
- The "Start" tab in the navigation bar.
- The "Education Plans (1 of 1)" section.
- The "Live Chat" button.

**Navigation Bar:** apply (SUNY) Portal | Portal Home | Get Help | Change Password | Update Account | Logout | Welcome Back, Victoria.

**Section: Education Plans (1 of 1)**

Key: ● = Incomplete ● = Complete

**In This Section**

- 1. Education Plans

**Need Help?**

[Live Chat](#)

**FAQs**

- [How do I know if I am a Freshman or a Transfer Applicant?](#)
- [What is an 'Adult Learner'?](#)
- [What is the Educational Opportunity Program \(EOP\)?](#)

**Questions and Answers:**

- \* Will you be a Freshman or a Transfer Student?
  - ☐ Freshman
  - ☐ Transfer
- \* Are you applying for full-time or part-time study?
  - ☐ Full-Time
  - ☐ Part-Time
- Are you an Adult Learner?
  - ☐ Yes
  - ☐ No
- \* Are you applying for the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)?
  - ☐ Yes
  - ☐ No

The Educational Opportunity Program provides college access for students who are academically underprepared and cannot enter college under traditional admissions standards.

[Save and Continue](#)

# Financial Aid Process



- Begins after 10/1, every year
- [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- Apply for a FSA ID online -  
<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out/fsaid>
- Aid packages - Compare packages. Just because cost of attending is high, the package may offset the cost enough to make it as affordable as a less costly college
- Two types of aid—need base and merit based
  - Need-based— Grants, Scholarship—gift aid  
Work study, loans—self-help aid
  - Merit based—scholarships
- Apply for TAP immediately at end of FAFSA
- CSS Profile—Required by some private schools for institutional awards and grants.  
<https://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile>
- Decision time—Spring
- **Financial Aid Night— October 11th, 6PM**  
**Romulus Auditorium**

# Financial Aid Process

When you are getting ready to complete the FAFSA, you can report tax information from a prior-prior tax return.

When possible, use the **IRS Data Retrieval Tool** in the **Financial Section** of the form. That page will begin with, “For 202\_\_, have you completed your IRS income tax return or another tax return?”

Once you answer that question using the drop down menu, you will see the following:

You may be able to use the **IRS Data Retrieval Tool** to view and transfer your tax information from the IRS.

Did you file an amended tax return?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Did you file a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Did you file your taxes electronically in the last 3 weeks (or by mail in the last 11 weeks)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Based on your response, we recommend that you transfer your information from the IRS into this FAFSA.

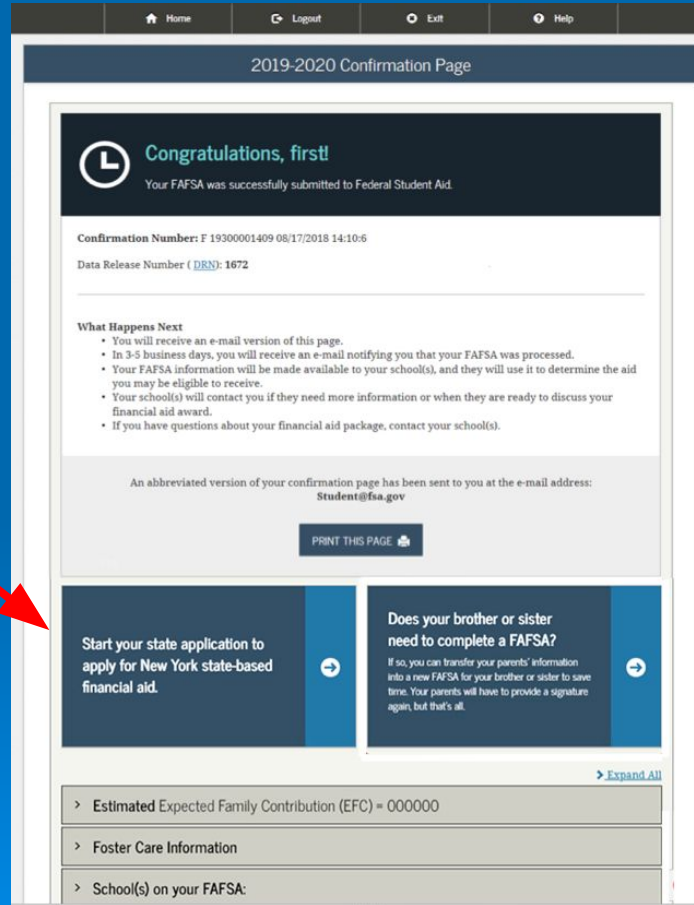
[LINK TO IRS](#)

When you select “Link to IRS,” you will see the message:

“you are leaving the FAFSA site, is that alright?” Click “yes” and then enter the requested information regarding your federal tax return. Once you submit your responses on the IRS form, you will receive a message confirming whether you have or have not successfully linked to your return, and then you will be given the option to return to the FAFSA.

Parents of dependent students should also use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool when possible. The questions for the parent are the same as those found above for the student.

# After FAFSA do TAP!!!



2019-2020 Confirmation Page

**Congratulations, first!**  
Your FAFSA was successfully submitted to Federal Student Aid.

Confirmation Number: F 19300001409 08/17/2018 14:10:6  
Data Release Number (DRN): 1672

**What Happens Next**

- You will receive an e-mail version of this page.
- In 3-5 business days, you will receive an e-mail notifying you that your FAFSA was processed.
- Your FAFSA information will be made available to your school(s), and they will use it to determine the aid you may be eligible to receive.
- Your school(s) will contact you if they need more information or when they are ready to discuss your financial aid award.
- If you have questions about your financial aid package, contact your school(s).

An abbreviated version of your confirmation page has been sent to you at the e-mail address:  
**Student@fsa.gov**

[PRINT THIS PAGE](#)

**Start your state application to apply for New York state-based financial aid.**

**Does your brother or sister need to complete a FAFSA?**  
If so, you can transfer your parents' information into a new FAFSA for your brother or sister to save time. Your parents will have to provide a signature again, but that's all.

[Expand All](#)

> **Estimated Expected Family Contribution (EFC)** = 000000

> **Foster Care Information**

> **School(s) on your FAFSA:**

# NYS Financial Aid

Short Videos to answer FAQ's

<https://nysfaa.financialaidtv.com>

- ❑ Creating an FSA ID
- ❑ IRS Data Retrieval Tool
- ❑ Dependency Status Question
- ❑ Parent Marital Status
- ❑ Providing Tax Information
- ❑ Verification of Income and Tax information

# NYS Scholarships and Awards

## □ The Excelsior Scholarship

- AGI of \$125,000 or less
- Cap of \$5,500
- All SUNY Schools participate
- <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid/nys-grants-scholarships-awards/the-excelsior-scholarship.html>

## □ Enhanced Tuition Award

- AGI of \$100,000 or less
- Cap of \$6,000 are available for resident students enrolled in a private college in New York State
- Not all private colleges and universities in NYS participate.
- <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid/nys-grants-scholarships-awards/the-excelsior-scholarship/enhanced-tuition-awards.htm>

# Scholarships



- Available outside my office after January—Be sure to listen to/read daily announcements.
- Colleges of interest
- [www.guidancedirect.com](http://www.guidancedirect.com) -scholarships, college search, career search
  - School ID# 0605496
  - Password R47S9360
  - Click on "Create New Account" and then follow prompts!
- **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) **Incentive Program**  
--The NYS STEM Incentive Program provides a full SUNY tuition scholarship to the top 10 percent of students in each NYS high school if they pursue a STEM degree in an associate's or bachelor's degree program and agree to live in NYS and work in a STEM field in NYS for five years after graduation.  
[HESC \(Higher Education Services Cooperation\) website](#)



# Straight to Work

- If your child does not wish to pursue college, please have them stop by the guidance office to see me for information on careers not requiring a college degree
- I understand that not every student wishes to attend college; I am here to assist them as well



Hmmm...What should I do? Explore the world, get a grown up job...?!?! Maybe I'll live home forever!



# Work-Bound Student and Parent Checklist

\_\_\_\_\_ Transcript review with Mrs. McCusker

\_\_\_\_\_ Myers-Briggs Personality Test: <https://www.16personalities.com/free-personality-test>

\_\_\_\_\_ Holland's Code Career Interest Assessment: <https://openpsychometrics.org/tests/RIASEC/>

\_\_\_\_\_ Career Exploration: <https://flcc.emsicc.com/?radius=100%20miles&region=Finger%20Lakes%20>

\_\_\_\_\_ Cover letter and Resume building:

<https://www.resumebuilder.com/high-school-resume-examples/>

<https://www.myperfectresume.com/> <https://www.resumebuilder.com/create-a-resume/>

\_\_\_\_\_ Mock interview tips:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=srw4r3htm4U>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m5kR7TPAkSw>

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLa3thi9R49eKXvPFVeUMVrKGJRdZOPDup>

\_\_\_\_\_ When you are asked to return for a 2nd interview: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=srw4r3htm4U>

\_\_\_\_\_ Ask people to be your reference or to write you a letter or recommendation if needed

\_\_\_\_\_ Fill out job applications

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# Junior COLLEGE APPLICATION TIMELINE

## Summer

- ☐ Explore college websites and request information from all colleges of interest to you
  - ☐ Tour colleges
- ☐ Research colleges and application requirements
- ☐ Contact Mrs. McCusker at any point along the way with any questions/concerns!

## September/October

- ☐ Assess academic progress and continue taking challenging courses
- ☐ Read posts made by Mrs. McCusker for upcoming events and fieldtrips
  - ☐ Meet with Mrs. McCusker to go over transcript
  - ☐ Take the PSAT
- ☐ Attend the Rochester Area College (RAC) Fair at Mynderse Academy
  - ☐ Attend Jr./Sr. Parent Night
  - ☐ Attend RCS Financial Aid Night
- ☐ Sign up to visit a 4 year college with Mrs. McCusker

## November

- ☐ Keep up with academics
- ☐ Attend local college fairs
- ☐ Prep for the SAT or ACT (or both) if applicable
- ☐ Ramp up college research
- ☐ Participate in extracurriculars
- ☐ Contact Mrs. McCusker with any questions/concerns

## December/January

- ☐ Continue reading posts made by Mrs. McCusker for upcoming events and fieldtrips
- ☐ Review PSAT results with Mrs. McCusker
- ☐ Continue prepping for SAT/ACT if applicable
- ☐ Contact Mrs. McCusker with any questions/concerns

## February

- ☐ Continue college research—request information
- ☐ Contact colleges to set up a tour
  - Ask for the following:**
    - Admissions Interview
    - Financial Aid Meeting
  - Meeting with Dept. Chair of intended major
  - Observe classroom lecture of intended major
  - Lunch on campus
  - Application Fee/Waiver
- ☐ Register for SAT/ACT if applicable, at collegeboard.org or act.org

## March

- ☐ Continue keeping up with academics
- ☐ Register for SAT/ACT if applicable, at: collegeboard.org or act.org
- ☐ Sign up to visit a two year school with Mrs. McCusker and Mrs. Stuck
- ☐ Continue reading posts made by Mrs. McCusker for upcoming events and fieldtrips
- ☐ Contact Mrs. McCusker with any questions/concerns

## April/May

- ☐ Register for SAT or ACT if you wish to improve scores: collegeboard.org or act.org
- ☐ Course selection with Mrs. McCusker
- ☐ Visit college campuses and start thinking about what's important to you

## June/July/August

- ☐ Create a list of colleges to apply to
  - ☐ Decide if you would like to retake the SAT/ACT
  - ☐ Identify teachers to write recommendation letters and be sure to personally ask teachers for reference
  - ☐ Give recommenders at least two weeks notice prior to due date
  - ☐ **The Common App will open in August—start applying!**
    - ☐ Continue reading posts made by Mrs. McCusker for upcoming events and fieldtrips
  - ☐ Contact Mrs. McCusker with any questions/concerns!
- Have a great summer!



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# Senior COLLEGE APPLICATION TIMELINE

## Summer

- ☐ Tour colleges
- ☐ Register for SAT or ACT if you wish to improve scores: [collegeboard.org](http://collegeboard.org) or [act.org](http://act.org)
  - ☐ Research colleges and application requirements
  - ☐ Keep your schedule full and challenging
- ☐ Contact Mrs. McCusker at any point along the way with any questions/concerns!

## October

- ☐ Start working on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) You AND parent will need to sign up for a FSA ID at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)
- ☐ Start working on NYS Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) if staying in NYS. This can be completed immediately following the FAFSA application or by going to [www.hesc.ny.gov](http://www.hesc.ny.gov)
- ☐ Additionally, some private schools may require the CSS Profile--check with your colleges of interest about this--additional fees may apply
  - ☐ Attend RCS Financial Aid Night

## December/January

- ☐ Complete and submit college applications
- ☐ Complete and submit FAFSA and TAP
- ☐ Read posts made by Mrs. McCusker in your Class of (Graduation Year) Google Classroom regarding scholarship opportunities and other important information

## April/May

- ☐ Commit to a college and also notify Mrs. McCusker
  - ☐ Send in college deposit
- ☐ Notify other colleges of application withdrawal
- ☐ Check with your choice college for scholarship opportunities
  - ☐ Update Mrs. McCusker's post-secondary plan form



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## September

- ☐ Start working on college applications
- ☐ Note Early Action (EA) or Early Decision (ED) deadline if applicable to you
  - ☐ Ask teachers for letters of recommendations
  - ☐ Attend Jr./Sr. Parent Night
- ☐ Read posts made by Mrs. McCusker in your Class of (Graduation Year) Google Classroom!
  - ☐ Sign up to visit a 4 year college with Mrs. McCusker

## November

- ☐ Send SAT/ACT score reports to colleges if they are asking for official reports
- ☐ Let Mrs. McCusker know of any community college you are applying to that will need a transcript
- ☐ Continue working on college applications--ED/EA should be completed this month
- ☐ Fill out Mrs. McCusker's post secondary plan form in Google Sheets via Google Classroom

## February/March

- ☐ Check emails regularly for aid and college correspondence
  - ☐ Receive and review FAFSA and TAP reports
- ☐ Compare financial aid packages--appeal to colleges if need be
  - ☐ Carefully read and respond to all college and aid communications
  - ☐ Continue applying for scholarships
  - ☐ Sign up to visit a two year college
  - ☐ Continue reading Mrs. McCusker's posts

## June/July

- ☐ Mrs. McCusker will send out final, official **high school** transcripts to selected college
  - ☐ College Gemini course transcripts will need to come from FLCC--contact FLCC to send transcript to selected college [www.flcc.edu/offices/registrar/transcripts.cfm](http://www.flcc.edu/offices/registrar/transcripts.cfm)
  - ☐ Look for college information on housing, roommates, orientation, course selection, etc.
    - ☐ Complete student loan applications
    - ☐ Graduate and enjoy summer vacation!
- Good luck and best wishes!

# Events Throughout the Year

- College and Career Readiness Day—winter
- Career Café
- 2 college visits
- Career Exploration Assessments
- Personality Assessments
- FLCC Financial Aid Workshop
- FLCC Instant Admit Day
- FLCC Transfer Fair
- Agriculture, Health Care and Construction Career Fair
- Seneca County Career Fair
- Military and College Representative visits—throughout the year
- Resume and Cover Letter Writing and Digital Portfolios

# PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE



November 10th

Please contact Jen Gillan to schedule  
an appointment:

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# THANK YOU!

Handouts up front!



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