



NAVIANCE

Parent Guide

Introduction to Naviance:

This guide is to help you get started and teach you the basics of Naviance.

Naviance is a web-based technology program used by the counseling department to assist high school students with career exploration, career assessments & surveys, create goals & to-do's and research colleges. In senior year, Naviance is used as a tool to manage the college admissions process. Seniors can create and share their college list with their counselor and teachers. They also use Naviance to request transcript submission for applied colleges and recommendation letters from their counselor and teachers.

Students will be provided with a username/password to access Naviance Student.

Getting Started With Naviance Student:

Parents can also have access to their child's Naviance account. Please contact your child's school counselor or the college and career counselor, Nancy Reyes, to register. You will then receive an email with a registration code.

Once you have your code, access North Plainfield Naviance webpage at:

<https://student.naviance.com/nplainfieldhs>

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Welcome to Naviance Student

Email or Username

Password

Remember me

[Forgot your password?](#)

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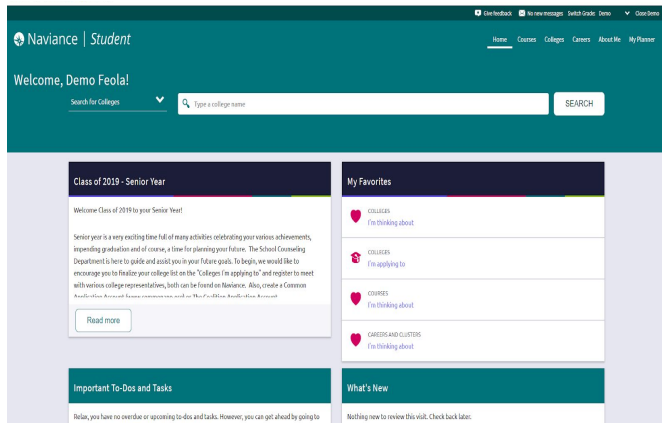
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You must register your account the first time you access Naviance. To register:

- At the Naviance Student Welcome screen, click on the “I need to register” link located on the right-hand side of the screen.
- Enter the unique registration code provided by your child's counselor.
- Hit the “Register” button
- Complete your registration by: - entering a valid Email address - enter & confirm a password - read and check off that you accept the Terms of Service and Privacy Statement and click on the “Complete Registration” button.
- You will then be directed to the home page.

Naviance Student Home Page



The Home Page serves as a dashboard for students to view:

- Welcome messages from the Counseling Department
- View messages directly to the student from the counselor
- Contact the counselor from Naviance
- To-Dos & Tasks
- Careers
- Colleges
- What's New (Register for upcoming college)
- Links to:
The Counseling Department webpage, College Board & ACT websites, NCAA Eligibility site and the Common App website.

Careers Tab



Is your child unsure of what to major in or what career path to pursue? By clicking on the “Careers” tab, students can explore different types of careers and discover majors that may be of interest to them.

Using the “explore careers & clusters” link, students can access in-depth information about hundreds of careers, including job descriptions, task & activities performed in that career, and even explore expected wages that can be earned in different areas of the country. Encourage your child to add possible careers to their “list” by clicking on “add to my list.”

Students also have access to several interest surveys that matches students to careers based on their response to questions on their strengths and interests.

College Tab



One of the most useful features of

Naviance is that it allows students to find schools that match their college preferences in terms of size, location, major, etc. Click on the "Colleges" tab and select "SuperMatch College Search."

The program starts with over 4000 schools. By making decisions of what qualities your child may want in a college, Naviance will generate a list specific to these wants and needs. Input as many or as few criteria as you want. If you put in too few factors, your list will be very large. However, if you are too specific, the list will yield very few results. Colleges on your list will show the percentage of how closely they fit your wants and needs. You and your child should play around with this tool to discover schools your child may want to consider. When you find a school you are interested in, click on the school name to get more information. Naviance provides information on college admissions, tuition, school size, and student retention rate (the percentage of students who return for their sophomore year). There are links to get more information pertaining to admissions data, to request information directly from the school, and even take a web tour of the college.

When your child finds a school that they're interested in, click on "Add to List" to start compiling a list of possible colleges.

Is your child having trouble deciding between a few specific colleges? If you want to see different schools listed side-by-side, select "Pin It" on several schools and select "I want to... compare pinned schools." Using this function, you can compare the facts of many schools in an easy-to-see format. It's important that students add the schools they are interested in to their "Colleges I'm Thinking About" list. Your child's counselor can also access their students' Naviance accounts & can use the information to help them in their college search & throughout the process.

Colleges I'm Thinking About...

As your child adds colleges to their list of possibilities, Naviance will keep track of the schools they're considering in an easy format, which lists the application deadlines for each school. Students are encouraged to add possible schools they're interested in so they can review them with their guidance counselor.



College Look Up

If you want to get information and statistics for a specific school, go to "College Lookup". Naviance will provide general facts about the school, including information on Admissions, Financial Aid, and Student Life. You can also check the "Majors & Degrees" link when looking at a specific school to make sure it has your program of interest.

Other College Resources

Naviance is a great tool for college planning. There are several other functions not discussed in this brochure which can be helpful in exploring college options. While Naviance does provide great information, please remember to always check out the specific college website for the most up-to-date data. Start your college planning early and visit as many college campuses as possible to get a feel for what your child wants in a college.

About Me Tab

Under the "About Me" Tab, there are many useful tools for your child. Students can set goals and set reminders to tasks that need to be completed. One of our favorite tools is the resume function. Here, students can use the template to create a great resume to list awards, activities and clubs, outside jobs, and much more. Sending resumes to colleges is definitely suggested.

College Admissions Test Reminder



It is strongly recommended that junior students take the SAT and or ACT at least once in the spring. SAT dates at NPHS can be found on the counseling website and at SAT.org