



Class of 2025
“The Road Ahead...”

Your School Counseling Team



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Transcripts

- ◇ Address is correct
- ◇ Grades
- ◇ R tags (repeat tags)
- ◇ Credits
- ◇ Grade Point Average's
- ◇ Civics Exam
- ◇ Graduation requirements
- ◇ Please check for any errors – let your counselor know

Latin Honors Distinction

Based off overall weighted GPA

- ◇ Cum Laude: 3.750-4.249
- ◇ Magna Cum Laude: 4.250-4.499
- ◇ Summa Cum Laude: 4.500+



Northern Arizona University

NAU

- ◇ Minimum GPA for acceptance unweighted 2.75 GPA; 14 core academic courses (no world language)
Course Requirements
- ◇ Application – apply direct or through Common Application (self-report grades)
- ◇ No letter of recommendation for regular admission
- ◇ Scholarship information on NAU website
- ◇ No application fee for in-state residents

NAU Honors College

- ◇ Student needs to be admitted first
- ◇ 3.0 GPA; 14 core academic courses
- ◇ Application opens **September 1st**
- ◇ 2 Essays and Resume
- ◇ Deadline to be considered for Merit Scholarships is November 15th
- ◇ No letters of recommendation required



Arizona State University

ASU

Barrett, The Honors College

- ◇ Minimum GPA for acceptance unweighted 3.0 GPA; 16 core academic courses
- ◇ Application –apply direct or through Common Application (self-report grades)
- ◇ No letter of recommendation for regular admission
- ◇ Scholarship information on ASU website
- ◇ ACT/SAT not required but providing score(s) may lead to increased scholarship awards
- ◇ Application opens Wednesday, September 4th
- ◇ Early action deadline November 1st
Regular decision deadline January 15th
Late consideration deadline March 15
- ◇ A student can start the honors application before being accepted to ASU. Apply 4 weeks before their preferred Barrett deadline
- ◇ 2 letters of recommendation (teachers and/or counselor). Barrett will email recommenders directly
- ◇ Essay required



University of Arizona

U of A

- ◆ Minimum GPA for acceptance unweighted 3.0 GPA; 16 core academic courses
- ◆ Applications –apply direct or through Common Application (self-report grades)
- ◆ No letter of recommendation for regular admission
- ◆ Scholarship information on U of A website

W.A. Franke Honors College

- ◆ Early Action November 15th
- ◆ Regular Decision January 31st
- ◆ 1 letter of recommendation; U of A will email recommender directly
- ◆ A student can start the honors application before being accepted to U of A

Counselor Letters of Recommendation

- ◆ Complete the College Application Portfolio (CAP) – available in College and Career Center
 - ◆ Resume required
 - ◆ Counselor questionnaire
- ◆ Return CAP to your counselor
 - ◆ **AT LEAST 3 WEEKS PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST COLLEGE DEADLINE!!!**
- ◆ Schedule a meeting with your counselor the following week
- ◆ Inform your counselor if you ADD ANY schools after you have turned in your CAP



Common Application (Common App; “CA”)

1. Create CA account

<https://www.commonapp.org/apply/first-year-students>

2. FERPA Waiver – must complete before counselor can complete letter

3. Letters of recommendation (LOR) may be required (teachers and/or counselor)

4. Early decision vs. early action vs. regular decision

5. Transcripts will be sent through Common App



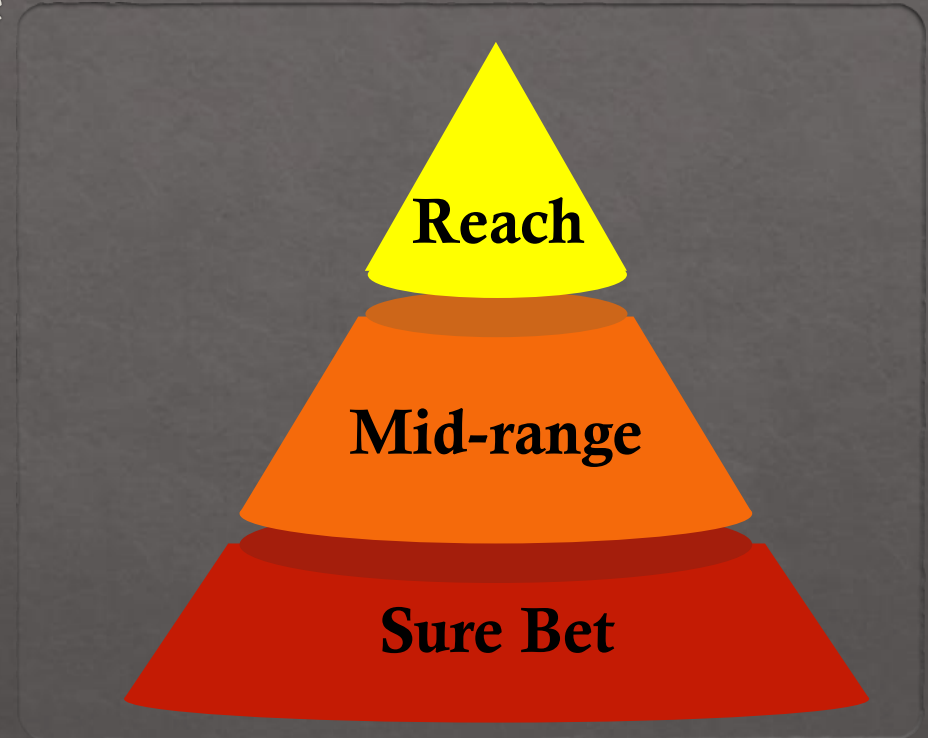
Major Clarity



1. Login to Major Clarity from Clever. Select “Continue with Google” to sign in.
2. Manually add any school(s) to which you are applying. You do NOT need to add honors college applications.
 - a. Go to Postsecondary Exploration.
 - b. Search your school(s).
 - c. Click the star to “favorite” your school(s).
 - d. Go to “Application Center.”
 - e. Click “Manually Add Application.”
 - f. Enter the college name and answer required questions.
 - g. Click “Add Application” to save.
3. Request Transcript – colleges typically need an initial, mid-year and final transcript. For any non-Common App school, complete a transcript request in Major Clarity. You will also request transcripts for NCAA in Major Clarity, if applicable.
 - a. Go to “Application Center.”
 - b. Scroll down to “Request New Transcript.”
 - c. Type your college into the search box and select then “Save.”

How to narrow down the list...

- ❖ **Reach:** Schools with 30% or below acceptance rate (AR) are the MOST SELECTIVE.
 - ❖ Examples: Ivy's, Military Academies, Rice, Vanderbilt, Northwestern, UT, etc.
- ❖ **Mid-range:** Schools in the 30-50% AR range are considered VERY SELECTIVE.
 - ❖ Examples: LMU, USD, Univ. of Washington, Chapman.
- ❖ **Sure Bet:** Will be different for every student. These are schools where a student is confident of admission.



Scholarships and Paying for College

3 Buckets of Money

- ❖ Merit

- ❖ Financial Aid

 - FAFSA

 - CSS Profile

- ❖ Scholarships

 - College specific

 - Major Clarity

 - Chaparral's College and Career website



College and Career Center



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The College & Career Center is a resource area for students to seek information and help for all paths taken in high school and beyond. Please visit our [College & Career](#) website.





EXPLORE YOUR COLLEGE & CAREER OPPORTUNITIES!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

11 A.M. - 2 P.M.

SCOTTSDALE STADIUM FIELD HOUSE
7408 E. Osborn Rd., Scottsdale

*More than 60 colleges will be there
and they're looking forward to meeting you!*

College and Career Website & Upcoming Events

- ❖ SUSD College Fair at Scottsdale Stadium Field House (located by civic center)
*Saturday, September 14th
- ❖ In-state college night – TBD
- ❖ “Paying for College” Workshop
*Thursday, September 26 6:00 – 7:00pm
Chaparral High School
- ❖ College Visits at Chaparral.
*Students can sign-up for a college visit in the front office

Taking a different path?

- ❖ GAP YEAR PROGRAMS
- ❖ COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- ❖ CCC2NAU PROGRAM
- ❖ TRADE SCHOOL
(vocational/art/technical)
- ❖ MILITARY
- ❖ ESTABLISHING A
CAREER





WHAT
QUESTIONS DO
YOU HAVE?

*“You have brains in your head, and
you have feet in your shoes,
You can steer yourself
In any direction YOU choose!”
-Dr. Seuss*