

Union Catholic

School Counseling Department

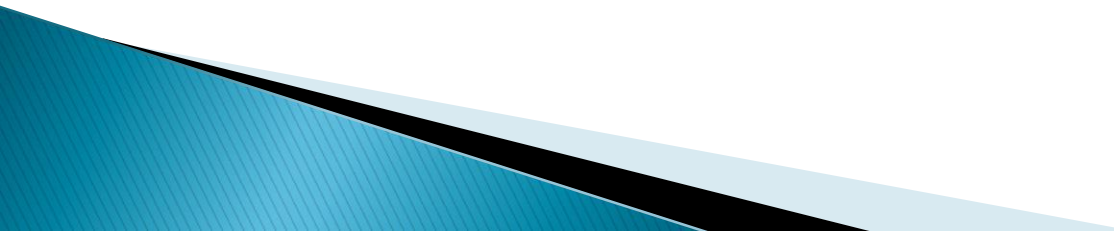
Senior College Info Night

September 18, 2024

Follow along with
tonight's presentation...



Let's rewind to last year

- ▶ Parent/Guardian Meetings with counselors
 - There's still time! Set up an appointment through Calendly
 - ▶ College essay
 - ▶ Summer college research
 - ▶ Naviance – SuperMatch
 - add to “Colleges I’m Thinking About”
 - ▶ Counselor & teacher recommendation requests
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College Scorecard



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College Scorecard

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FIND THE RIGHT FIT.

Search and compare colleges: their fields of study, costs, admissions, results, and more.

SEARCH SCHOOLS

SEARCH FIELDS OF STUDY

SHOW ME OPTIONS

🔍 Type to search

Alternative Pathways to
a Career



Search for apprenticeship jobs and programs on
[apprenticeship.gov](https://www.apprenticeship.gov)



Ways To Apply



+ school-specific application

When should I apply?

- ▶ Early Decision – BINDING
- ▶ Early Action/Priority – best of both worlds
- ▶ Rolling Admissions– reviewed as received
- ▶ Regular Deadline

- ▶ What if I miss the application deadline??
- ▶ Deferred

- ▶ **CHECK DEADLINES WITH THE COLLEGE**
(Transcript requests must be made 3 weeks prior to deadline)

Transcript Process

- ▶ Email form to transcripts@unioncatholic.org
 - You will receive verification of request
- ▶ A signed electronic transcript request is required
 - You will be able to list up to 5 schools per form
- ▶ SAT/ACT scores– UC DOES NOT SEND SCORES

Allow at least 3 weeks for processing of documents

Union Catholic HS Transcript Request and Release Form

Student Name: _____ School Counselor: _____

***Allow at least 3 weeks for processing of all documents!**

PLEASE READ AND CHECK ALL BOXES PRIOR TO SUBMITTING TO THE SCHOOL COUNSELING OFFICE VIA EMAIL (transcripts@unioncatholic.org):

- The Student Brag Sheet, Parent/Guardian Brag Sheet, Teacher Prompt Surveys, and Resume are completed on Naviance.
- The following colleges have been added to the "colleges I'm thinking about" list on Naviance.
- If required, official SAT (www.collegeboard.org) and/or ACT (www.actstudent.org) scores have been sent to colleges. **UC does not report scores!**
- The Letter of Recommendation Requests have been submitted via Naviance.
- Each page of the Transcript Request and Release Form is signed by a parent/guardian. For initial request, please submit Page 2 of this form for every 5 additional colleges.

List teacher recommenders in priority order:

1. _____ 2. _____

As Parent/Guardian of the above named student, I hereby authorize the School Counseling Department of Union Catholic Regional High School to release my student's official transcripts to the above institution and/or scholarship agency for academic/athletic purposes during current school year. The transcript consists of: courses taken, grades earned, GPA, & class year reports listing your student's senior year courses & the semester average in those classes to be automatically transmitted to each college. I waive my right to view confidential letters of recommendation & forms completed by the school under the terms of the Family Educational Privacy Act (FERPA).

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Union Catholic HS Transcript Request and Release Form

Student Name: _____ School Counselor: _____

SEND TRANSCRIPT TO:

College/University/Organization/Scholarship _____ City, State _____

Admissions Type & College-Appointed Deadline: _____

Early Decision Early Action Rolling Regular

How are you applying to this College/University/Organization/Scholarship?

Common App Coalition Application School-specific application Paper via US Mail

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: _____ Date rec'd _____ Counselor signature _____ Date submitted on Naviance _____ Tx _____ Courses _____ Midyear _____ Counselor Rec _____ Teacher 1 _____ Teacher 2 _____

“Demonstrated Interest”


- ▶ College Representatives– **October 4th** fair!
- ▶ Virtual College Visits & Info – they keep track!
- ▶ Ask good questions
- ▶ College interviews– Sell yourself!
 - Negatives into Positives – disclosure
- ▶ Branding yourself – Twitter/Facebook/Google
- ▶ Extra letters – Common App or yourself
- ▶ Supplemental essays – “optional” does not mean optional

Virtual College Visits and Fairs

- ▶ Union Catholic College Fair
- ▶ Go To College Fairs
- ▶ NACAC
- ▶ StriveScan
- ▶ HBCU



Financial Aid

- ▶ [Fastweb.com](https://www.fastweb.com)
 - ▶ Union Catholic Financial Aid Night
 - November 6th
 - ▶ FAFSA – use 2023 tax return
 - IRS Data Retrieval tool
 - December 4th
 - ▶ CSS Profile
 - ▶ [HESAA.org](https://www.hesaa.org) is a great resource!
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Standardized Tests

SAT/ACT

- ▶ Test Optional
- ▶ “Super Scoring”
- ▶ Must report your own score
- ▶ Accommodation Requests & Questions – contact Dr. Dixon
- ▶ Fee Waivers
- ▶ Be mindful of deadlines!

Student Athletics

- ▶ GPA and test scores
- ▶ Brian Kopnicki – Athletic Counseling Liaison
- ▶ EligibilityCenter.org – Guide for the College Bound Student Athlete
- ▶ Communication
- ▶ College coaches may request your transcript
 - Send independently
- ▶ Athletic Release Form– required
- ▶ Student Athlete Resource page
 - webinar recordings

Colleges

Type a college name

SEARCH

MORE COLLEGE SEARCH OPTIONS

Find Your Fit

SuperMatch®

College Match

Advanced College Search

College Lookup

Show less

Research Colleges

COLLEGES
I'm Thinking About

College Resources

Enrichment Programs

College Maps

Show less

Apply to Colleges

COLLEGES
I'm applying to

Letters of Recommendation

College Events

Test scores

Scholarships and Money

SCHOLARSHIPS
I'm Applying To

Scholarship List

Scholarship Match

National Scholarship Search

NAVIANCE



Senior Checklist



Senior Application Checklist	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Teacher #1 – Recommendation Prompts survey completed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Teacher #2 – Recommendation Prompts survey completed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Student Brag Sheet and/or Parent/Guardian Brag Sheet survey(s) completed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Submitted online request for each teacher through Naviance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Schools added to your Colleges I'm Thinking About list
<input type="checkbox"/>	Resumé updated
<input type="checkbox"/>	Official SAT or ACT scores sent through collegeboard.org or actstudent.org
<input type="checkbox"/>	If necessary, create a CommonApp.org account & complete the Education section
<input type="checkbox"/>	FERPA waiver signed on Common App
<input type="checkbox"/>	Common App matched with your Naviance account
<input type="checkbox"/>	College essay edited, finalized, & uploaded into application
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transcript requested through UC website & email

The End...The Beginning

We are here to assist you in the process!
Email is the easiest way for you and your
student to reach us.



Changes in email address should be sent to the counselor
and to Meg Nuwer: mnuwer@unioncatholic.org

Twitter & Instagram:

@UC_Counseling

Thank you and goodnight!



Just breathe.

No matter what happens,
you can handle it,
and you will be okay.

Lori Deschene