

# COLLEGE & CAREER PLANNING

## Senior Information Session Fall 2024



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# SENIOR YEAR TIMELINE

## SEPTEMBER

- ❑ Meet with your counselor to review college selections and resume.
- ❑ Attend Virtual Open Houses
- ❑ Ask and/or remind teachers, school counselors, etc. for letters of recommendation

## OCTOBER

- ❑ Work on admissions applications and essays.
- ❑ Schedule visits with your top choices, if you haven't done so already.
- ❑ Begin preparing college applications.
- ❑ Watch deadlines!
- ❑ Research and apply for scholarships
- ❑ Meet with admissions representatives who are visiting your school.
- ❑ To be considered for financial aid, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- ❑ Create an account on [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov)
- ❑ FAFSA – opening date TBD.

## NOVEMBER

- ❑ Complete college essays and applications.
- ❑ Meet with admissions representatives who are visiting your school.
- ❑ If you have filed your FAFSA, please look for the Student Aid Report (SAR) within a few weeks of filing

## DECEMBER

- ❑ Attend financial aid workshops.

## JANUARY

- ❑ Check application deadlines. Many need to be submitted by January 1<sup>st</sup>.

## FEBRUARY

- ❑ Check to see if mid-year transcripts have been sent. (Guidance)

## MARCH

- ❑ As students begin to receive letters of acceptance, make sure they have made a visit to their school of choice

## APRIL / MAY

- ❑ Watch the mail for college acceptance and financial aid award letters. Compare the financial aid rewards you receive.
- ❑ Make your final decisions and send in a deposit by the deadline.

## JUNE

- ❑ Complete your senior survey in Naviance. Include all scholarship and financial aid awards and list the college you will be attending. This survey will be used to send your final transcript to your school at the end of June.

**\*VERY IMPORTANT\***

# VISIT SCHOOLS

*It's the most fun part of the application process!*



Take advantage of Open House days (check the schools' websites for those)

Sign up for meetings with admissions representatives scheduled through SWMHS Guidance Department using Naviance.



# **SIGN UP FOR COLLEGE VISITS**

## *In your Naviance account*

Look who is on the schedule so far: more schools are signing up every day!



### Scheduled College Visits

College	Representative	Date	Time
University of Miami	Emily Greene	Mon September 16, 2024	8:30 AM
Berkeley College Woodbridge Location	Melissa Couden	Tue September 17, 2024	7:40 AM
Dartmouth College	Anthony Fosu	Tue September 17, 2024	8:30 AM
Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College	Cole Thornton	Tue September 17, 2024	9:20 AM
Fairleigh Dickinson University-Florham Campus	Evan Plaza	Wed September 18, 2024	7:40 AM
Towson University	Anna Schipske	Wed September 18, 2024	8:30 AM
Boston University	Kamryn Wrench	Thu September 19, 2024	7:40 AM
Iona University	Kelsey Madaio	Thu September 19, 2024	8:30 AM
Middlesex College	Desiree Brower	Thu September 19, 2024	9:20 AM
Johns Hopkins University	Corale Orlando	Mon September 23, 2024	7:40 AM
Wagner College	Noah McKane	Mon September 23, 2024	9:20 AM
University of New Haven	Catherine Gonzalez	Tue September 24, 2024	7:40 AM
Montclair State University	Amanda Jimenez	Wed September 25, 2024	7:40 AM
York College of Pennsylvania	Austin Grove	Thu September 26, 2024	7:40 AM
Drexel University	Jaimie Yue	Thu September 26, 2024	9:20 AM
Georgian Court University	Aranka LaSala	Fri September 27, 2024	7:40 AM
Moravian University	Owen Roff	Fri September 27, 2024	8:30 AM
University of Hartford	Nicholas Piscitelli	Fri September 27, 2024	9:20 AM
Drew University	Laura Lee	Mon September 30, 2024	7:40 AM
Binghamton University	Andrew Weiss	Mon September 30, 2024	8:30 AM
The College of New Jersey	Ashley Douglas	Mon September 30, 2024	9:20 AM
Ramapo College of New Jersey	Claire Wisneski	Tue October 1, 2024	9:20 AM
Stockton University	Vincent Spena	Wed October 2, 2024	8:30 AM
Monmouth University	Rowan Elrais	Wed October 2, 2024	9:20 AM
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	Francisco Zapata-Reyes	Mon October 14, 2024	7:40 AM
Seton Hall University	Nino Hervais	Tue October 15, 2024	7:40 AM
Merrimack College	Kaia Taylor	Tue October 15, 2024	9:20 AM
Rutgers University-Camden	Brian Kenny	Thu October 17, 2024	7:40 AM
University of Massachusetts-Boston	Steve Schierloh	Thu October 17, 2024	8:30 AM
The Salon Professional Academy	Jyoti Wadhia	Wed October 23, 2024	7:40 AM
Kean University	Jose Rodriguez	Thu October 24, 2024	9:20 AM
Alvernia University	Catelyn Ballard	Mon October 28, 2024	9:20 AM
Princeton University	Jessica Wilson	Tue October 29, 2024	8:30 AM
Rider University	Cynthia Leavey	Wed October 30, 2024	7:40 AM
Hofstra University	Laurn Mitchell	Thu October 31, 2024	8:30 AM
Rowan University	Charissa Burgos	Mon November 4, 2024	9:20 AM
Elizabethtown College	Anna Tartline	Wed November 6, 2024	7:40 AM
Pace University	Thomas Chin	Tue November 12, 2024	8:30 AM
University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth	Scott Stratton	Tue November 12, 2024	9:20 AM
University of Scranton	Sydney Janeiro	Wed November 13, 2024	7:40 AM
Mount Saint Mary College	Timothy Cuzzo	Wed November 13, 2024	8:30 AM
University of Delaware	Luke Chalmers	Thu November 14, 2024	8:30 AM
Delaware State University	Morgan Thornton	Fri November 15, 2024	7:40 AM
Rutgers University-Newark	Carrie Livingston Herrera	Mon November 18, 2024	9:20 AM
New Jersey Institute of Technology	Grant Tokarski	Tue November 26, 2024	7:40 AM

# NJ Colleges: Public vs. Private



- **State colleges are the least expensive** and are schools such as Rutgers, Kean, Montclair, Stockton, Ramapo, Rowan, William Paterson, and The College of NJ.
- **Because they cost less, it may be harder to get accepted into state colleges** and universities. Academic standards are higher, making them very competitive.

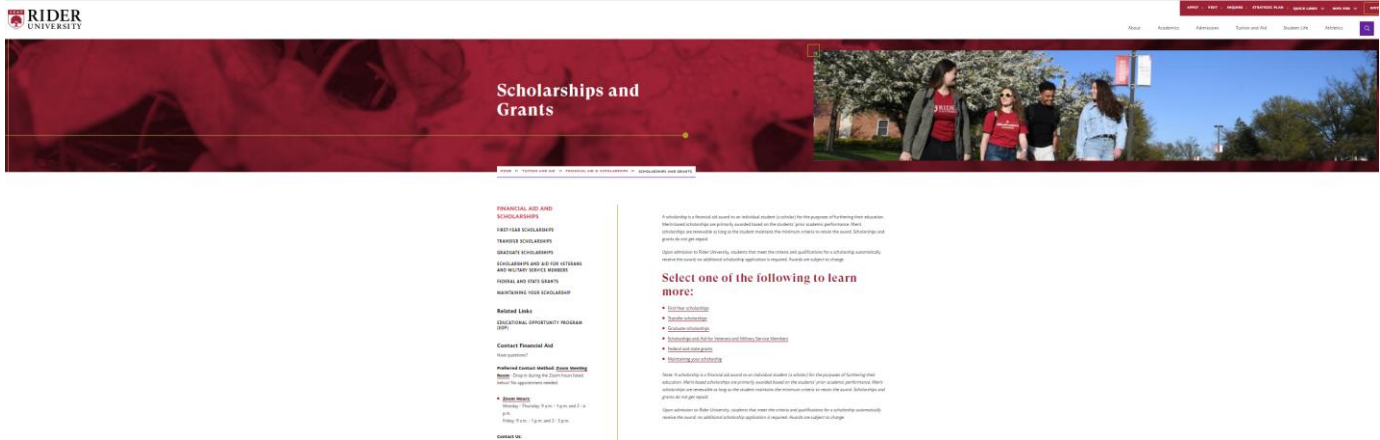


# Paying for College

**Discuss college finances with your family.**

As you conduct your college search, you need to know how much your family will be able to contribute towards your college education. Always remember, just because a college may seem expensive and out of your reach, never assume anything. There are several types of financial aid that may enable you to attend a college that may seem too expensive. **(Remember, loans have interest rates.)**

**Individual colleges offer merit scholarships. Once you are sure you want to attend a school, check their website for their scholarship offerings. Example:**



You can search the Internet to find out additional information or contact the Department of Education. Register for free online scholarship searches, like [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) or [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com).

★ Scholarships are posted in the Scholarship Opportunities Google Classroom. Watch for the Local Scholarship Opportunities application in February.

Join today!      Join Code: **kat4w6k**



# Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

www.studentaid.gov

## Opens in December 2024.

## Create an Account

Whether you're a student, parent, or borrower, you'll need to create your own account to apply for, receive, and manage your federal student aid.

[Get Started](#)

Already have an account? [Log In](#)

### What You Can Do With Your Account

You must have an account to do the following:

- Fill out the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA<sup>®</sup>) form online
- Complete other online forms (such as the *Master Promissory Note*) required to receive aid
- Review the federal student aid you've received

### What You'll Need

- Your Social Security number (if applicable)
- Your own email address



# Your Final List

- ❖ Create your final list of schools.
- ❖ A mix of 6-8 institutions.
- ❖ The majority should be “realistic” colleges, schools whose admission standards closely match your qualifications.
- ❖ Select one or two schools that present an admission challenge, called “reach” schools.
- ❖ Mark down a safety school or two, where your academic achievement exceeds the admission criteria.

## Final List of Schools

Reach 1-2 Schools	1.
	2.
Realistic 4 Schools	1.
	2.
	3.
	4.
Safety 1-2 Schools	1.
	2.

# Transcripts

- Everyone must submit a signed **Blanket Transcript Release Form**. It gives us permission to send your academic records to various institutions.
- The student's transcript and a blank form will be mailed home.
- This form needs to be submitted to Guidance **ONLY ONCE!!**
- Please allow **5** school days for transcripts to be processed.



Sayreville War Memorial High School  
Guidance Office  
820 Washington Road  
Parlin, New Jersey 08859  
(732) 525-5281  
Fax (732) 316-9307

## BLANKET TRANSCRIPT RELEASE

I HEREBY GIVE PERMISSION TO RELEASE THE HIGH SCHOOL  
RECORDS OF MY SON/DAUGHTER

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STUDENT NAME

PLEASE CHECK ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING  
(IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU CHECK ALL FIVE)

\_\_\_\_\_ POST HIGH SCHOOL INSTITUTIONS TO WHICH HE/SHE APPLIES  
FOR ADMISSION.

\_\_\_\_\_ AGENCIES AND/OR PERSONS WHO ARE INVOLVED IN THE  
AWARDING OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND WHO REQUEST THESE RECORDS.

\_\_\_\_\_ PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYERS WHO REQUEST THESE RECORDS.

\_\_\_\_\_ COACHES AND/OR SCOUTS INTERESTED IN THESE RECORDS  
FOR ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSES.

\_\_\_\_\_ ANY/ALL UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE

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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

UNOFFICIAL Student Transcript

Sayreville War Memorial High School

Gender: Male

Local Id #  
 State Id #  
 Birth Date:  
 Graduation Year:

Principal: Mr. James Brown  
 School State Id# 23-4660-050  
 820 Washington Road  
 Parlin, NJ 08859  
 Ph: 732-525-5252

2015-2016	Grade Level: 9th Grade	Grade	Credits
Algebra 1-9 CP		89 B+	5.00
English 9 CP		77 C+	5.00
General Sci CP		90 A-	5.00
PE 1S (2.5)		97 A+	2.50
PE 2S (2.5)		97 A+	2.50
Robotics		90 A-	5.00
Spanish 1		90 A-	5.00
World History CP		88 B+	5.00
		<b>GPA: 3.471</b>	<b>35.00</b>

Intro. To Computer Science (s)	0.00
PE12 - PE/HE 99340 (L)	0.00
PE12 - PE/PE 99342 L	0.00
Physics(6)	0.00
Pre-Calculus	0.00
Prog./App Des. & Game Dev. (s)	0.00
Trends in Computer Science (s)	0.00
<b>GPA: 0.000</b>	
<b>0.00</b>	

2016-2017	Grade Level: 10th Grade	Grade	Credits
Biology CP (6)		94 A	6.00
Economics(s)		84 B	2.50
English 10 CP		84 B	5.00
Health 1S (lab)		93 A	2.00
Intro. to Art (s)		96 A	2.50
PE [EPJ] 2.0 Lab (S2)		94 A	2.00
Plane Geometry		98 A+	5.00
Spanish 2		91 A-	5.00
US History 1 CP		96 A	5.00
		<b>GPA: 3.786</b>	<b>35.00</b>

ACTIVITIES

TEST SCORES

2017-2018	Grade Level: 11th Grade	Grade	Credits
Algebra 2 Honors		93 A	5.00
Chemistry Honors		93 A	6.00
Digital Arts (s)		97 A+	2.50
English 11 CP		91 A-	5.00
Health 2S 11 (1.00)		97 A+	1.00
PESS 1 (11) (1.00)		100 A+	1.00
PESS 2 (11) (1.00)		99 A+	1.00
PE6S 3 (11) (1.00)		97 A+	1.00
Prep for SAT(s)		93 A	2.50
Spanish 3		92 A-	5.00
U.S. Hist. 2 CP		91 A-	5.00
		<b>GPA: 4.084</b>	<b>35.00</b>

2018-2019	Grade Level: 12th Grade	Grade	Credits
AP Statistics			0.00
Business Org. (s)			0.00
English 12 Honors			0.00

CEEB NUMBER 311355

Rank: 103 of 433  
 Total Earned Credits: 105.00  
**Cumulative GPA: 3.780**  
 Graduation Date: 06/24/2019

Authorized Signature

Title

Date

# EARLY DECISION VS. EARLY ACTION

## EARLY DECISION:

- This is a **binding decision**. If a student is offered admission under ED, he/she must withdraw all other applications.
- ED should only be used if a student has a very strong preference for the first choice college.
- Deadline is usually mid-October/November with the decision received by the end of December
- Pro: Admission rates can be higher for ED students
- Con: Financial Aid: you will not be able to compare financial aid packages from several universities

## EARLY ACTION:

- Same timeline as ED but the **decision is non-binding**.
- Students have until May 1<sup>st</sup> to make their final decision.

# The Common Application

[www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)



- More than 900 colleges and universities nationwide use the **Common Application**.
- If you are applying to more than one participating school, you can use the **Common Application**. Complete the application only once and then pay each college's application fee separately.
- You don't have to complete two different applications!

# The Coalition Application

[www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/](http://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/)



- The Coalition for College is a diverse group of 140 distinguished colleges and universities across the U.S. that is committed to making college a reality for all high school students through its set of free, online college planning tools that helps them learn about, prepare for, and apply to college.

# Rutger's Web address...

<http://admissions.rutgers.edu/>

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## Timetable for Fall/September Admission

Student Type and Action	Application Due Date* +	Online Decision**	Candidate's Reply Date
First Year, Early Action^	November 1, 2024	January 31, 2025	May 1, 2025
First Year, Regular Action	December 1, 2024	February 28, 2025	May 1, 2025





# Rutgers Admission Profile



## UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS PROFILE FALL 2024 REGULARLY ADMITTED STUDENTS

Rutgers University welcomes applications from students who demonstrate preparedness for our academic programs. The number of students we admit is determined by the number of spaces available in each entering class, the number of students who apply, and the quality of the applicant pool. These factors change from year to year and vary with each Rutgers school. The charts indicate the SAT and ACT score ranges and grade-point averages for the middle 50% of high school students admitted to Rutgers for fall 2024. Submission of SAT and ACT test scores is optional for students applying for admission to **Rutgers University–New Brunswick** and **Rutgers University–Camden**. **Rutgers University–Newark\*** no longer requires the submission of SAT and ACT standardized test scores for most undergraduate applicants. If students choose not to submit a test score they will still receive full admission consideration. We conduct a holistic review of each student's application that takes into consideration many more factors than test scores and cumulative grade-point averages. Students who want to submit a standardized test score with their application for 2025 admission may still do so. For more information on our test-optional policy and any exceptions, please visit [admissions.rutgers.edu/testoptional](https://admissions.rutgers.edu/testoptional).

	FIRST YEAR						TRANSFERS
	SAT Score (M+ERW)	SAT-Math	SAT-ERW	ACT Score	High School GPA	High School Percentile Rank	Cumulative College GPA**
<b>Rutgers University–New Brunswick</b>							
School of Arts and Sciences	1350-1510	680-780	660-740	30-34	3.8-4.2	75-95	3.3-3.8
Rutgers Business School	1370-1510	700-780	670-740	30-34	3.8-4.2	77-95	3.4-3.9
School of Engineering	1390-1520	710-790	670-740	32-35	3.9-4.3	78-95	3.5-3.9
School of Environmental and Biological Sciences	1320-1490	660-770	650-740	30-34	3.8-4.2	75-95	3.3-3.8
School of Nursing–New Brunswick	1310-1450	660-750	650-720	28-33	3.9-4.3	80-95	3.3-3.7
Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy	1370-1510	700-780	670-740	31-35	4.0-4.3	85-95	3.3-3.9
Mason Gross School of the Arts	1300-1470	630-750	660-730	30-33	3.7-4.1	65-91	3.4-3.9
School of Nursing–Newark	1300-1430	650-740	640-710	28-32	3.9-4.2	79-95	N/A
School of Management and Labor Relations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.1-3.6
Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.2-3.8

*These are approximate midranges based on submitted scores, as Rutgers–Camden and Rutgers–New Brunswick are SAT and ACT test-optional.*

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School of Business–Camden	1040-1330	520-690	540-640	20-27	3.1-3.9	40-75	2.9-3.7
School of Nursing–Camden	1070-1270	500-640	550-630	N/A	3.5-4.0	61-91	3.2-3.6
University College–Camden	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.9-3.6
<b>Rutgers University–Newark</b>							
Newark College of Arts and Sciences	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.4-3.9	65-93	3.1-3.8
Rutgers Business School	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.3-3.9	59-86	3.1-3.7
School of Criminal Justice	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.2-3.7	55-86	2.9-3.6
School of Public Affairs and Administration	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.9-3.7	36-85	3.5-3.6
University College–Newark	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3.3-3.9

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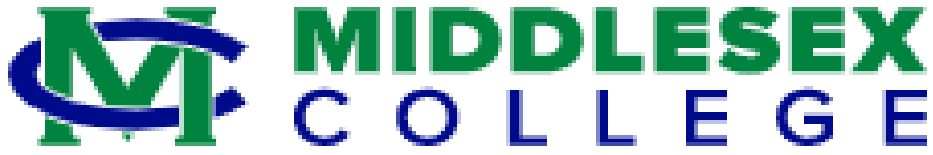
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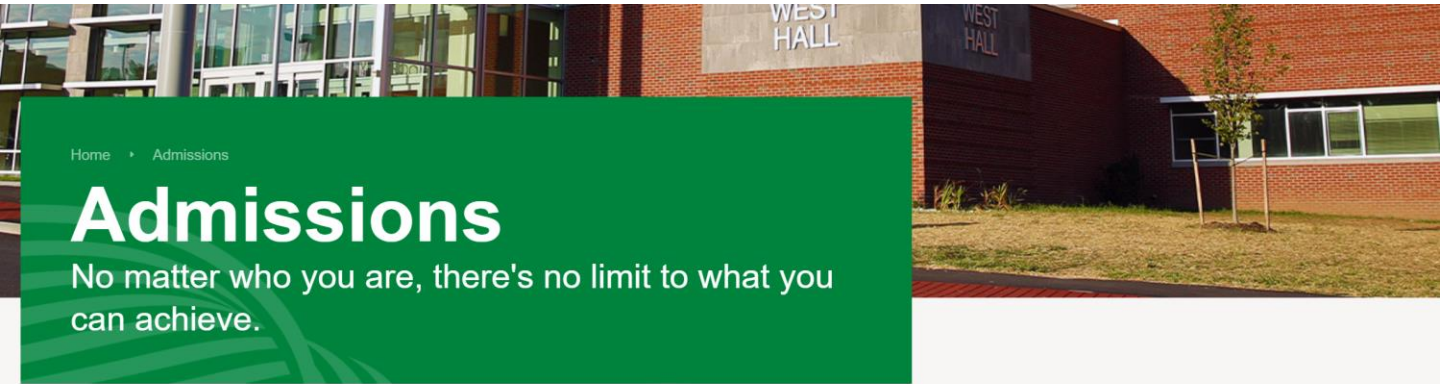
➤ Self-Reported Academic Record  
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➤ Visit Campus  
[admissions.rutgers.edu/visit](https://admissions.rutgers.edu/visit)



<https://middlesexcollege.edu/admissions/>

Click the APPLY NOW link to start your application.



There are multiple admissions pathways to Middlesex College because we recognize that students come to us with diverse lived experiences and at different phases of life.

Select your admissions pathway to Middlesex College:



I am a high school graduate/graduate senior or

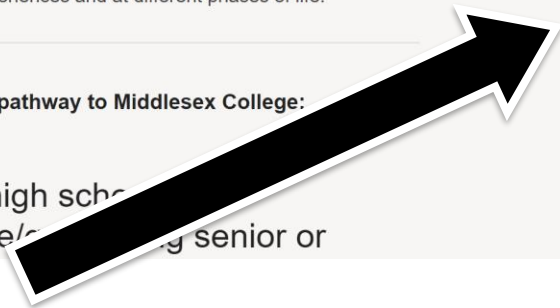
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Click the ACADEMICS link on MC homepage to find information on the various degree and certificate programs offered.

<https://middlesexcollege.edu/academics/degrees/>



## Middlesex County College Degree & Certificate Programs

### AA Degree

Liberal Arts - African-American Studies  
Liberal Arts - Business  
Liberal Arts - Cinema Studies  
Liberal Arts - Communication  
Liberal Arts - Dance  
Liberal Arts - Early Childhood Education  
Liberal Arts - Education  
Liberal Arts - English  
Liberal Arts - General  
Liberal Arts - Genocide and the Holocaust  
Liberal Arts - History  
Liberal Arts - Journalism  
Liberal Arts - Modern Language  
Liberal Arts - Music  
Liberal Arts - Philosophy  
Liberal Arts - Physical Education/Recreation  
Liberal Arts - Political Science  
Liberal Arts - Psychology  
Liberal Arts - Social and Rehabilitation Services  
Liberal Arts - Social Sciences  
Liberal Arts - Sociology  
Liberal Arts - Theatre  
Liberal Arts - Visual Arts  
Liberal Arts - Writing

### AS Degree

Allied Health Pre-Professional  
Biology  
Biology Pre-Professional  
Biotechnology  
Business Administration  
Chemistry  
Computer Science  
Criminal Justice - Correction Administration  
Criminal Justice - Police Science  
Dietetics  
Earth Science  
Engineering Science  
Mathematics  
Nursing  
Physics  
Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Treatment  
Respiratory Care

### AAS Degree

Accounting  
Automotive Technology  
Civil Engineering Technology  
Computer and Information Systems  
Culinary Arts Management  
Dental Hygiene  
Dietetic Technology  
Education Practitioner  
Electrical Engineering Technology  
Fashion Merchandising and Retail Management  
Fire Science Technology  
Health Science  
Hotel/Motel Management  
Management  
Marketing  
Mechanical Engineering Technology  
Media Arts and Design - Advertising Graphic Arts and Design  
Media Arts and Design - Professional Commercial Photography  
Medical Laboratory Technology  
Network Administration and Support  
Paralegal Studies  
Process Technology  
Radiography Education  
Restaurant/Food Service Management  
Small Business Management/Entrepreneurial Studies  
Surveying Engineering Technology  
Technical Studies

### AFA Degree

Fine Arts - Art  
Fine Arts - Music  
Fine Arts - Theatre



## Middlesex County College Degree & Certificate Programs

### Certificate of Achievement Programs

Accounting Certificate of Achievement  
Baking and Pastry Arts Certificate of Achievement  
Computer Aided Drafting Certificate of Achievement  
Computer Help Desk Administration Certificate of Achievement  
Forensic Accounting and Fraud Examination Certificate of Achievement  
Hotel Operations Certificate of Achievement  
Information Systems Security Certificate of Achievement  
Java and Web Programming Certificate of Achievement  
Java Programming Certificate of Achievement  
Paralegal Studies Certificate of Achievement  
Restaurant Operations Certificate of Achievement  
Small Business Management/Entrepreneurial Studies Certificate of Achievement  
Web Design Certificate of Achievement  
Windows/PC Support Certificate of Achievement

### Certificate Programs

Addiction Studies Certificate  
Allied Health Pre-Professional Certificate  
Civil Engineering Technology Certificate  
Computer Programming Certificate  
Correction Administration Certificate  
Culinary Arts Certificate  
Dental Assisting Certificate  
Electrical Engineering Technology Certificate  
Event Planning Management Certificate  
Fire Science Certificate  
Management Support Services Certificate  
Network Administration Certificate  
Paralegal Studies Certificate  
Small Business Management/Entrepreneurial Studies Certificate  
Teacher Aide Certificate



2024 – 2025  
NATIONAL TEST DATES

# SAT

Register at  
[Collegeboard.org](https://collegeboard.org)  
\$68

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
OCT 5	SEPT 20	SEPT 24
NOV 2	OCT 18	OCT 22
DEC 7	NOV 22	NOV 26
MAR 8	FEB 21	FEB 25
MAY 3	APR 18	APR 22
JUNE 7	MAY 22	MAY 27

# ACT

Register at  
[ACTstudent.org](https://actstudent.org)  
\$55.50  
(+\$14.75 for  
writing)

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
OCT 26	SEPT 20	OCT 7
DEC 14	NOV 8	NOV 22
FEB 8	JAN 3	JAN 20
APRIL 5	FEB 28	MARCH 16
JUNE 14	MAY 9	MAY 26
JULY 12	JUNE 6	JUNE 20

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- Students who receive free/reduced lunch may be eligible for a fee waiver. SAT: look for the fee waiver link when registering for the test. ACT: Fee waivers are available in the counseling office.
- You must send your SAT or ACT test scores to each college OFFICIALLY from **COLLEGEBOARD.ORG** or **ACT.ORG** on order for your application to be complete.
- When you register for the SAT or ACT, you can send your scores to four schools for **FREE!**



# College & Career Planning Workshop Series For Seniors

Presented by SWMHS Guidance Department

- Set up your colleges in Naviance
- Work on your Common Application
- Bring your college essay for suggestions and editing
- Research colleges to match your major and future plans
- Complete your brag sheets and/or resume

## WORKSHOP DATES AFTER SCHOOL:

10/16	10/23
10/30	11/13
11/14 (virtual)	11/20
11/26	12/4
12/11	12/18

## WORKSHOP DATES DURING LUNCH (in cafeteria)

10/22 (4 & 5)	10/24 (6 & 7)
10/29 (4 & 5)	11/12 (6 & 7)
11/14 (6 & 7)	11/19 (4 & 5)
11/21 (6 & 7)	

**Sign up for one or several!**

JOIN THE GOOGLE CLASSROOM  
TO SIGN UP FOR THE WORKSHOPS  
AND GET ALERTS TO MORE COLLEGE  
PLANNING INFORMATION!



QR CODE:  
CLASS CODE: **g23rsvm**





## Open Houses at New Jersey Colleges and Universities

Dates are listed below; check college websites for more information and to register.

**To make sure you don't miss any events, if possible, it is best to visit a college at the time that the open house begins.**

Bloomfield College at Montclair State	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, October 26 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.</li> </ul>
Brookdale Community College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, October 20 1 to 3:30 p.m.</li> </ul>
Caldwell University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, October 5 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Saturday, November 23 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.</li> </ul>
Centenary University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, October 5 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.</li> </ul>
The College of New Jersey (TCNJ)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, September 28 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Sunday, October 27 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Saturday, November 23 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.</li> </ul>
Drew University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, October 19 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m.</li> <li>• Saturday, November 16 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m.</li> </ul>
Felician University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, November 3 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> </ul>
Georgian Court University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fall Fest Saturday, November 2 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> </ul>
Kean University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, September 28 a.m. session: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. p.m. session 12 noon to 3:30 p.m.</li> </ul>
Middlesex CollegeSS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <del>HarvestFest</del> Thursday, October 17 5 to 8 p.m. Learn about academic programs while enjoying fall activities.</li> </ul>
Monmouth University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, October 6, at 10 a.m.</li> </ul>
Montclair State University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, October 13 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> <li>• Sunday, November 10 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> </ul>
New Jersey City University (NJCU)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, October 26 at 9 am.</li> </ul>
New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, October 13 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.</li> </ul>
Princeton University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the university's website for admissions information sessions.</li> </ul>





## Open Houses at New Jersey Colleges and Universities continued

<b>Ramapo College of New Jersey</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, October 6, at 10 a.m.</li> <li>• Sunday, October 27, at 10 a.m.</li> </ul>
<b>Rider University</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, September 28 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> <li>• Saturday, October 19 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> <li>• Friday, November 8 1 to 4 p.m.</li> <li>• Sunday, November 10 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>Rowan University</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, September 22, at 9:30 a.m.</li> <li>• Sunday, October 20, at 9:30 a.m.</li> <li>• Sunday, November 17, at 9:30 a.m.</li> </ul>
<b>Rutgers University, New Brunswick</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the university's website for information sessions.</li> </ul>
<b>Rutgers University, Newark</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, November 28 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rutgers Newark: School of Arts and Sciences School of Criminal Justice School of Nursing</li> <li>• Saturday, October 12 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rutgers Newark: Business School School of Public Affairs &amp; Administration</li> </ul>
<b>St. Elizabeth University</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, October 14 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>St. Peter's University</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, October 19 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> <li>• Saturday, November 16 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>Seton Hall University</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, October 20</li> <li>• Sunday, November 24</li> <li>• For more information, review the university's website.</li> </ul>
<b>Stevens Institute of Technology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See Stevens' website for more info.</li> </ul>
<b>Stockton University</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday, October 6 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>William Paterson University</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday, October 26 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.</li> </ul>

## TO DO

1. Log on to your Naviance account at [student.naviance.com/swmhs](http://student.naviance.com/swmhs)
2. Print out and sign Transcript Release Form.
3. Add colleges to your list under Colleges tab and click on *“Colleges I’m Applying To”* in Naviance.
4. Create a Common Application account at [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org) , add schools to your list, and sign FERPA waiver. Then go to your Naviance account, and do the Common App Account Match. (Make sure you use the same email for the Common App that you use for Naviance).
5. Invite teachers to write you a letter of recommendation under Colleges tab and click on Colleges I’m Applying To. Be sure to ask them in person and then send a personal message thanking them. Include any deadlines and list the schools for them.
6. Create your Brag Sheet if you need a letter of recommendation from your counselor. Go to the About Me tab, click on “About Me Home” then “Brag Sheet.”
7. Request your transcripts as you add schools to your *“Colleges I’m Applying To”* followed by clicking *“Request Transcripts”*
8. Send your SAT/ACT test scores officially to each college you are applying to.
9. Create your resume! Go to About Me tab and click “Resume.”
10. Be sure to check Naviance email for important messages from all SWMHS counselors as well as Guidance Google Classroom and individual counselor’s Google Classrooms.