

Senior Guidance Night

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Things to keep in mind for the Class of 2026

- ❑ Test Optional...return to testing
- ❑ FAFSA...
- ❑ Changes to the “traditional” application timelines
- ❑ Colleges shopping In-State
- ❑ Influx of applications
- ❑ Non-traditional routes to colleges and universities
- ❑ College Reps!
- ❑ Gap Year?

Sept.-Oct. Activities

- ❑ Finalize college list
- ❑ Develop a personal calendar for completion of college placement responsibilities
- ❑ Complete all testing requirements necessary for applying
- ❑ Attend College Fairs and Representative Meetings
- ❑ Explore Evening College Meet and Greet
- ❑ Demonstrated Interest Goes A Long Way!
- ❑ Deadlines** Deadlines** Deadlines**

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Create an account on Commonapp.org
- In Naviance review the list of schools and list them in the “Colleges I am Applying to List”.
- Request teacher recommendations
- Complete high school guidance information materials: Located in Guidance tab on the school’s website and Naviance
 - Transcript Request Form
 - Activities Resume
 - Student Brag Sheet
 - Parent Information Sheet

Important Naviance Information

- Naviance has a unique feature which easily allows information to be sent quickly to schools
- Students need to be aware that once they request their transcripts, it will automatically be sent at that moment
- Students should only request the transcript for the schools they are ready to submit fully!
- They should be careful to request All Schools until they are sure that they want their materials sent to all schools.

Requesting Transcripts in Naviance

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Self-Discovery

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 College Home

Find Your fit

SuperMatch College Search

College Match

College Events

Scattergrams

Advanced College Search

College Lookup

Research Colleges

 Colleges I'm Thinking About

College Visits

College Compare

College Resources

Acceptance History

College Maps

Apply to College

Colleges I'm Applying To

Manage Transcripts

Letters of Recommendation

Test Scores

Scholarships & Money

College-Specific Scholarships

National Scholarship Search

Scholarship Search

 Favorite Scholarships



COLLEGES I AM APPLYING TO

colleges I'm applying to

[+ add to this list](#) | [request transcripts](#) | [compare me](#)

College	Type	Applying via Common App?	Submissions	Expected Difficulty*	Deadline†	Transcript	Office Status	My App.	Results	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/> U of Arizona	RD	-		MA	5/1/13	sent	Initial materials submitted		Unknown 	  
<input type="checkbox"/> U of CO Boulder	RD	-		MA	1/15/13	sent	Initial materials submitted	app submitted	Unknown 	  
<input type="checkbox"/> Indiana U Bloomington	RD	-		MA	-	sent	Initial materials submitted	app submitted	Accepted 	  
<input type="checkbox"/> UMD College Park	RD	-		MA	1/20/13	sent	Initial materials submitted	app submitted	Unknown 	  
<input type="checkbox"/> Miami Univ. Oxford	RD	Yes (CA Exclusive)		MA	2/1/13	sent	Initial materials submitted	app submitted	Unknown 	  
<input type="checkbox"/> U of Miami	RD	Yes (CA Exclusive)		MA	1/1/13	sent	Initial materials submitted		Unknown 	  
<input type="checkbox"/> U of Michigan	RD	Yes (CA Exclusive)		MA	-	sent	Initial materials submitted	app submitted	Unknown 	  

Submission type

TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM

Student's Name

Guidance Counselor

Name of School	Please Circle	Please Circle	Date Sent
1. _____ _____	Common App SUNY/CUNY Direct to School	ED (Early Decision) EA (Early Action) Regular Decision	
2. _____ _____	Common App SUNY/CUNY Direct to School	ED (Early Decision) EA (Early Action) Regular Decision	
3. _____ _____	Common App SUNY/CUNY Direct to School	ED (Early Decision) EA (Early Action) Regular Decision	

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<input type="checkbox"/> U of Miami	RD	Yes (CA Exclusive)		N/A	1/1/13	sent	Initial materials submitted	Unknown	
<input type="checkbox"/> U of Michigan	RD	Yes (CA Exclusive)		N/A	-	sent	Initial materials submitted	app submitted	Unknown

Transcript
Tracker



DEFINITIONS OF ADMISSION OPTIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST SUITS YOU?

Regular Decision

DEFINITION:

Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision in a clearly stated period of time.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Rolling Admission

DEFINITION:

Institutions review applications as they are submitted and render admission decisions throughout the admission cycle.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Action (EA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply early and receive a decision well in advance of the institution's regular response date.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Decision (ED)

DEFINITION:

Students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted they definitely will enroll and withdraw all other applications. The application deadline and decision deadline occur early.

COMMITMENT:

BINDING

Restrictive Early Action (REA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply to an institution of preference and receive a decision early. They may be restricted from applying ED or EA or REA to other institutions. If offered enrollment, they have until May 1 to confirm.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Students are not restricted from applying to other institutions and have until May 1 to consider their options and confirm enrollment.

Students are responsible for determining and following restrictions.

WRITING CENTER

- ❑ Open Daily for one-on-one conferences
- ❑ Period 5 - Marcus (206)
- ❑ Period 6 - Jaffe (203)
- ❑ Period 7 - Gutherman (208)
- ❑ Students can book appointments in advance on the AHS English Department Writing Center Google Classroom page

College Essay Workshop

- ❑ Date TBD and flyers will be posted around the building
- ❑ Students must reserve their spot to attend this workshop
- ❑ Students can visit the AHS Writing Center page on Google Classroom
- ❑ Information will be on Guidance Classroom

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION LETTERS

- ❑ Teachers can easily upload and send the letter of recommendation electronically
- ❑ Requests and communication to teachers are online
- ❑ Teachers submit through Naviance and receive immediate notification of submission
- ❑ Be sure to carefully review the letters you plan on sending to each specific school
- ❑ Colleges have strict guidelines to what they will read

SELECTING TEACHERS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

esd eSchoolData - Student Pr... x | M Inbox (2) - ehezi@ardsley... x | Naviance x | Naviance x

https://static.naviance.com/family-connection/edocs/letters-of-recommendation/#/

Ardsley High School | Logged in as: Jane Smith (log out) | Manage my account

family connection

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Letters of recommendation

Your Requests

You can request new letters of recommendation and track the most recent status of your requests here.

Showing 0 requests

Add Request

Recommendation For	Deadline	Recommender(s)	Status	Cancel Request
 Your recommendation requests will show up here.				

Add Request

Ardsley High School
300 Farm Road
Ardsley, NY 10502



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Family Connection LOR Request UI: 1.1.1
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Logged in as **Jane Smith**
[Log out](#)



SELECTING SPECIFIC TEACHERS FOR SPECIFIC SCHOOLS

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Letters of recommendation

Add new request

Here you can ask a teacher to write you a letter of recommendation for schools in your *Colleges I'm applying to* list. Make sure you give your teachers plenty of time to write your recommendations!

Cancel Save

1. Who would you like to write this recommendation?*

Select A Teacher

2. Select which colleges this request is for:*

<input type="checkbox"/> All	Colleges -	Due -
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emerson College 1 required / 2 allowed / 0 requested	Jan 15 2017
<input type="checkbox"/>	SUNY College at Oneonta 1 required / 2 allowed / 0 requested	Apr 01 2017

3. Include a personal note to remind your recommender about your great qualities and any specifics about your request:

3000 characters remaining

Cancel Save

* Indicates a required field

10:31 AM 9/8/2016

TRACKING RECOMMENDATION STATUS

Teacher Recommendations

[add/cancel requests](#)

Teacher	Status	Your Note
Brian Gutherman	Requested	Hi Mr. Gutherman! I have decided to apply to Wesleyan University early instead! The due date is the 15th! Thanks again!!
Stuart Horlacher	Completed	Hi Mr. Horlacher! Im applying early decision to Williams College and the deadline is november 10th. Thank you so much! Im not sure about what other colleges I'm applying to regular decision yet but i will let you know soon!

⇒ COMMON APPLICATION PRIVACY NOTICE

You have indicated that you DO waive your right to access Common Application recommendation forms completed by your school. You have indicated that you authorize all secondary schools you have attended to release all requested records and review your application for the admission process. This information was recorded by you at September 13, 2012 12:19 PM from the following IP Address:



Status Tracking

Counselor Activities

- ❑ Senior Seminar
- ❑ Application Process
- ❑ Interview/Visitation Process
- ❑ Individual Student Meetings
- ❑ Family Meetings

High School Role

Secondary school application materials:

- Secondary school report form**
- Transcript with GPA**
- Three Year GPA**
- First quarter grades (upon request)**
- Mid-year grades with updated GPA**
- Counselor Recommendation**
- School profile**

SUBMISSION STATUS

U of Michigan

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- This student has submitted the application for this college through 1
- This college requires 1 evaluation minimum; 4 evaluations maximum

 This is a Common App college - select the forms you'd like to submit online and click "submit selected forms"

FORM	why are some forms unavailable for selection?	INFORMATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> School Report		<i>sent on October 1, 2012 by Patricia Slattery</i>
Written Evaluation		<i>sent on October 1, 2012 by Patricia Slattery</i>
School Profile		<i>sent on October 1, 2012 by Patricia Slattery</i>
Active Transcript (Initial)		<i>sent on October 1, 2012 by Patricia Slattery</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Common App Teacher Eval.		<i>sent on October 18, 2012 by Jessica Berman</i>
Letter of Recommendation		<i>sent on October 18, 2012 by Jessica Berman</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Common App Teacher Eval.		<i>sent on October 16, 2012 by Dave Chason</i>
Letter of Recommendation		<i>sent on October 16, 2012 by Dave Chason</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Midyear Report		
Midyear Change Explanation		
Active Transcript (Initial)		<i>uploaded on September 21, 2012 by eDocs Printer</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Optional Report		
Optional Change Explanation		
Active Transcript (Initial)		<i>uploaded on September 21, 2012 by eDocs Printer</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Final Report		
Final Change Explanation		
Active Transcript (Initial)		<i>uploaded on September 21, 2012 by eDocs Printer</i>

SPECIFIC GROUPS

- ❑ **The Student Athlete Register with the NCAA Eligibility Center**
- ❑ **Services for Students with Learning Differences**
Fill out the Release of Confidential Information Form for Guidance and Psychologist.

COLLEGE INFO SESSIONS

- ❑ College Representative Information Sessions will take place in person during the school day
- ❑ Dates and times can be found on Naviance and will be shared to the students frequently
- ❑ Students need to be mindful of their etiquette, they are representing the AHS community and meetings are often held by the college representative who reads their applications.

College Fairs

- ❑ Southern Westchester Conference
- ❑ October 22nd
- ❑ 6-8:30pm
- ❑ Westchester County Center

- ❑ NYSACAC
- ❑ October 8th at Port Chester HS
- ❑ Big Apple College Fair
- ❑ September 28th
 - ❑ 1-4pm

STANDARDIZED TESTING

- ❑ SAT Reasoning Test
- ❑ ACT
- ❑ AP
- ❑ Test Optional



- ❑ **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) – www.fafsa.ed.gov
- ❑ **CSS Profile** – profileonline.collegeboard.com

THE FINANCIAL AID PROCESS



IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID DATE



*Ardsley HS
Financial Aid
Night*

*October 16th at
7pm*

*Always important
to hear year to year
updates...*

WEBSITES

General Agency Sites:

- www.collegeboard.com
- www.ets.org
- www.act.org

Commercial/General

College Search Sites:

- www.usnews.com
- www.unigo.com
- www.collegenet.com
- www.collegename.edu

FINANCIAL AID WEBSITES

- www.uncf.org
- www.nasfaa.org
- www.blackstudentfund.org
- www.free-4u.com/minority.html
- www.chase.com/educationfirst
- www.wiredscholar.com
- www.gmsp.org
- www.collegescholarships.com
- www.collegeview.com
- www.easi.ed.gov
- <http://www.embarq.com/>
- www.excite.com
- www.grantsandfunding.com
- www.collegeboard.com
- www.collegenet.com/mach25
- www.fastaid.com
- www.fastweb.com
- <http://www.finaid.org>
- www.gomerry.com