

NHHS College Guide 2026-2027

Information Needed to Complete Applications

NHHS CEEB Code	052130
Graduating Class of 2027 Size	
GPA Scale (weighted)	4.0
Class Rank	NHHS does not rank students. Use "N/A" or "None" if asked for class rank.
School Address	600 Irvine Avenue, Newport Beach, CA 92663
Expected Graduation Date	June 3, 2027
Scheduling System	Semester
State ID # (SSID)	You can view your SSID via your Aeries Student Portal by going to the Student Info tab and selecting Demographics
Transcripts	Unofficial transcripts are useful when applications ask you to report your grades. Students can view their unofficial transcript via their Aeries Student Portal. For official transcripts, please submit a records request through Scribbles at https://nmusdca.scribborder.com/
Letters of Recommendation	Students requesting a Letter of Recommendation from a teacher and/or counselor are required to complete the Senior College Questionnaire and submit it to their recommender(s) at least 3-4 weeks before the first application deadline. Click on your counselor's name below to be directed to their student letter of recommendation form. Parents are welcome to submit their input to the counselor using this linked form.

SCHOOL COUNSELOR	PHONE NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS
Nicole Mack (A-Cos)	949-515-6397	nmack@nmusd.us
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Julie Crossen (Se-Z)	949-515-6355	jcrossen@nmusd.us

Common App School Applications

The Common App is utilized by most private/out-of-state schools. Use Common App to research colleges and build your list.

STEP 1: Explore & Research Colleges

- ☐ Go to www.commonapp.org
- ☐ Create a Common App account (use a personal email you check often)
- ☐ Click **College Search**
- ☐ Use filters to explore schools by location, major, size, cost, and acceptance rate
- ☐ Read each college profile carefully
- ☐ Add colleges you are interested in to **My Colleges**

STEP 2: Build Your College List

- ☐ Narrow your list to Reach, Target, and Safety schools
- ☐ Check each college's application deadlines, required essays, and letters of recommendation
- ☐ Keep track of requirements using a planner or checklist

STEP 3: Complete the Common App Application

- ☐ Fill out the **Profile** and **Family** section (personal information)
- ☐ Complete **Education** section (you will need your unofficial transcript for this)
- ☐ You may self-report your test scores under the **Testing** section.
- ☐ Add **Activities** (clubs, sports, work, community service)
- ☐ Answer Common App Essay prompt under the **Writing** section
- ☐ The **Courses & Grades** tab only needs to be filled out if any of your colleges require it
- ☐ Complete all college-specific questions under **My Colleges**
- ☐ Under My Colleges, go to **Recommenders and FERPA** to complete the FERPA waiver and add your teacher and counselor recommenders.
 - ☐ FERPA - It is recommended that you waive your rights.
 - ☐ Recommenders - Select Invite Recommenders and enter your recommender's contact information. Be sure to double-check that you are inputting the correct email for your recommenders.
- ☐ Review the application for accuracy and submit it before the deadline
- ☐ School Report/Midyear Reports

Cal State University Applications

STEP 1: Research Colleges & Majors

- ☐ Go to <https://www.calstate.edu/apply/freshman> to review admission requirements
- ☐ Find Your CSU allows you to explore the 22 CSU universities by location, degrees/majors, size, and sports offered:
<https://www.calstate.edu/attend/campuses/find-your-csu/Pages/default.aspx>
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STEP 2: Apply

- ☐ Go to www.calstate.edu/apply
- ☐ Create a Cal State Apply account
- ☐ Enter academic history accurately. You will need a copy of your unofficial transcript for this portion.
- ☐ Select your campuses and programs you are interested in applying to
- ☐ Review the application carefully
- ☐ Application window is October 1st - November 30th.
- ☐ Fee to apply is \$70 per campus. Some students may qualify for an application fee waiver available through the CSU application.
- ☐ Test scores, transcripts, and letters of recommendation are not required for admission consideration. Campuses may request these supplemental documents after admission is offered.
- ☐ Middle school A-G and Summer Courses
- ☐ Application assistance: Call 857-304-2087 or visit
https://help.liaisonedu.com/Cal_State_Apply_Applicant_Help_Center

University of California Application

STEP 1: Research Colleges & Majors

- ☐ Go to <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/> to review admission requirements
- ☐ Research available majors offered at the 9 campuses:
<https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/campuses-majors/majors/>

STEP 2: Apply

- ☐ Go to apply.universityofcalifornia.edu
- ☐ Create a UC application account
- ☐ Input your Academic History (A-G courses) and Activities & Awards
- ☐ Write [Personal Insight Questions \(PIQs\)](#). These prompts are available prior to the application window opening.
- ☐ Select the UC campuses you want to apply to
- ☐ Review your application carefully
- ☐ Submit application by December 1
- ☐ Application window is October 1 - December 1
- ☐ Fee to apply is \$80 per campus. Some students may qualify for an application fee waiver available through the UC application.
- ☐ Test scores, transcripts, and letters of recommendation are not required for admission consideration. Campuses may request these supplemental documents after admission is offered.
- ☐ Middle school A-G and Summer Courses
- ☐ Application assistance: ucinfo@applyucsupport.net or 800-207-1710

Community College Applications

For all California Community Colleges:

- ☐ Create an OpenCCC account at <https://home.cccapply.org/us/>
- ☐ Apply to the specific campus you plan on attending
- ☐ Check your personal email for confirmation of enrollment and college portal login information
- ☐ Complete pre-registration steps, ex. online orientation, academic planning, etc.
- ☐ Submit your final high school transcript for placement consideration.
- ☐ Complete your financial aid applications for Promise Program consideration:
 - ☐ FAFSA - <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>
 - ☐ FSA ID - <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch?continueTo=fafsa>
 - ☐ CA Dream Act Application - <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/landing>
- ☐ Planning to transfer to a four-year institution after community college? [Assist.org](https://assist.org) helps students research the course transfer and articulation system for CA colleges.

Miscellaneous

Additional College Research Programs:

- ☐ [BigFuture \(College Board\)](#)
- ☐ [WUE \(Western Undergraduate Exchange Program\)](#) offers lower tuition rates to CA students applying to participating colleges

Important Links

- ☐ Senior College Packet for Letters of Recommendation
- ☐ [Transcript Requests via Scribbles](#)
- ☐ [a-g Course List](#)
- ☐ [Send SAT scores to colleges](#)
- ☐ [Send ACT scores to colleges](#)
- ☐ Local scholarship opportunities
- ☐ Community Service Verification Form
- ☐ College Representative Visits - Look out for announcements in the morning, on Sailor Loop, Schoology, and on social media NHHSCollegecareer on Instagram for upcoming college representative visits and college/career events.
- ☐ [College Representative Calendar](#)
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Next Steps/Final Checks

- ☐ Frequently check your personal email for application updates
- ☐ Log in and monitor each school's student applicant portal. This is where schools will notify you about your admission decision, if you are missing any application materials, etc.
- ☐ Complete your financial aid applications:
 - ☐ FAFSA - <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>
 - ☐ FSA ID - <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch?continueTo=fafsa>
 - ☐ CA Dream Act Application - <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/landing>
 - ☐ Local and National Scholarship Opportunities
 - ☐ Going Merry (National) - <https://goingmerry.com/>
 - ☐ [Scholarships.com](https://scholarships.com) (National)
 - ☐ NHHS Scholarships (Local) - <https://nhhs.nmusd.us/programs1/counseling/scholarships>