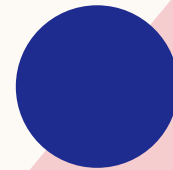


COLLEGE APPLICATION 101

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GOALS OF THIS SESSION



Understand terms related to the college application process



Feel equipped to navigate the application process start to finish



Feel empowered to ask for assistance when needed

COMPONENTS OF A COLLEGE APPLICATION



The application (and application fee)



The Standardized Test



The Transcript



The Recommendation Letter(s)



The Interview/Audition/Portfolio

THE APPLICATION

Types

- The Common Application
- The Coalition Application
- The Universal Application
- School-specific Application

Online

Fees and Fee Waivers

WHEN TO APPLY



August and September of senior year is the time to apply

SHA Goal: All apps in by Halloween at the latest



**Early Decision/Early Notification
Deadline: November 1st**



Regular Decision Deadline: January 1st



Rolling Admission: Students can apply through the first week of the semester

THE STANDARDIZED TEST



Types

SAT (College Board)

ACT (The ACT)



Some schools do not require students to submit test scores along with their college application



When

Recommended taking for the first time junior year



Why

Used for applicationg and scholarship review

THE TRANSCRIPT

A Student's academic record

- Includes grades as well as course names


When

- Reach out to your school Counselor

Why

- Highlights student's progress and grades

How

- Hard copy sent in the mail
 - Online services- Parchment, etc.
 - In person in a sealed envelope
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THE RECOMMENDATION LETTER

Should be written and submitted by a teacher, school counselor, coach, past employer, or someone in a similar position (not a family member)

Required or optional

Submit 1-3 (unless otherwise specified)

When

- Request early in the fall semester of senior year

How

- Application might have a link
- Hard copy in the mail
- In person in a sealed envelope

THE INTERVIEW, AUDITION, PORFOLIO, ETC



Research your program or college requirements carefully



Common programs that require these additional pieces are acting, music or other performing arts programs, visual arts, and health care fields. Sometimes colleges require this of all their applicants



Practice, practice, practice!

SO WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



Application Review
and Decision



YOUR review and
decision



Get Excited!



**BEST PRACTICES
AND ADVICE**



KAHOOT!

THANK YOU

Questions, Comments, Concerns

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