

QUESTIONS FROM SENIOR MEETING 10/22/20

What if I can't login to Naviance?

please email celena.driscoll@uticak12.org

Where is my transcript in Naviance?

Go to About Me, my stuff, and click on documents shared with me. Find Senior Initial Transcript.

The college website says to use Parchment to send transcripts. Can I use Parchment to request transcripts?

No. You must request your transcript through Naviance.

Is the Brag Survey required even if you have already applied to schools?

The brag survey is helpful in allowing a recommender to gain more insight on you.

You don't need it, but it's good in case you do need a recommendation for a scholarship, etc.

The Brag Survey is really about your counselor and teachers being able to write a recommendation for you, which most schools require (at least the counselor piece).

At what date should we have applied to college?

Now. As soon as you can. Our dates to apply to colleges relate to holidays: 1. By Halloween, 2. By Thanksgiving 3. By Christmas 4. Schools with rolling admissions will take you after the December.

I am confused on how to even apply to college? How do I find applications for my colleges?

If you apply through Common Application, the applications are there for you. If you are applying directly to the institution you need to go to their website to apply. Most if not all schools that you would apply to can be found in Naviance. You can look them up by their name. You can research and find schools in Naviance under "Colleges I'm Thinking About" and transfer them over to colleges "I'm Applying to"

If I'm not going to college do I still have to do all that?

It's best to be prepared. Yes, you should at least apply to Macomb, so that you are aware of the college application process and you have your counselor here to help you if you have questions. You never know how plans could change and that will ensure that you could still sign up for classes if you decided to later.

Are there trade schools in this?

Yes! Literally thousands of schools, trade, universities, etc. Using College Match will let you see them based on interests.

If we are applying to a school's fast track, does this same process apply?

Yes

Is the process dependent on the school you apply to? How would I send information after I have applied?

You would either go through Naviance or Common App for each college depending on whether or not they use the Common Application. Talk to your counselor.

If we are using the common application, are the transcripts sent through the common app website?

Yes

If we request to send a transcript, will the test scores be updated or will we have to wait for that to update? The test scores can be updated each time you take a test. We can only put your two highest scores on your transcript. So if the scores are lower another time that you take it, we only leave up the higher score.

How do we request to not send in our SAT scores for some schools?

Please email Mrs. Driscoll at celena.driscoll@uticak12.org

If we retake the SAT, how do we send our new scores to the colleges we have applied too? Each time you take the SAT you get the opportunity to send your scores to the colleges for FREE. Take advantage of this option. The test scores are on your transcript. You need to find out if the college will accept it that way otherwise you will have to PAY to send your scores to them after the test.

Do you recommend sending our SAT tests scores to the colleges and or universities we are applying to even if they are test optional? That is up to you, are you a good test take normally. If not, then don't send them and if you do well, you can pay the money to send them. Colleges are not punishing students for not having test scores, if they are not needed then don't send them.

Do we have to go through Naviance for teacher recommendations?

Yes and No. Recommendations for Non-Common Application schools go through Naviance. All schools you are applying to through Common Application, you will request recommendations through Common Application not Naviance.

I already requested two letters of recommendation and received one, what should I do?

Contact your teacher that didn't submit yet.

How long should I wait after I've applied to a college before I contact a teacher, I requested a recommendation letter from if it's not submitted?

As long as you have asked the teacher for a letter of rec. you can email them and ask them if they need anything else from you to complete the letter. That helps them remember they need to send the letter.

Can I get copies of the recommendation letters my teachers sent for me?

You have to ask them. They do not have to give them to you.

If I am sending a letter of recommendation from an outside source, should they just email it to the college?

There should be instructions at the college admissions on how to manage outside recommendations. Again, anything sent, I would be sure to include a little explanation as to why and your ID # if the college gave you one. Keep in mind colleges are getting lots of applications from lots of students.

Are we able to apply to college and send our letter of recommendations after we apply? Regarding, schools you apply through the Common Application, nothing will be sent to the school until all steps are covered. So, if a letter of recommendation is needed nothing will be sent until it is completed. Yes, for Non-Common Application schools, check in Naviance to see if a recommendation is needed or not and yes, letters can be sent out after you apply.

