

Senior Parent Night Class of 2023 Chat Questions

Do the parents need to have a Naviance account to fill in the Brag Sheet?

They do not. You can have your own account or you can log in through your child's account.

where on Naviance can the parents find the brag sheet on the students account ?

In the upper right corner, click on About Me. In the drop down menu under Surveys, click Surveys from my School.

If our student's counselor is out this semester is the covering counselor writing those letters this month?

Ms Giffen will still be writing the recommendations for her students.

How will the student know that the teachers and the counselor and have submitted all of the required documents?

They can monitor it in Naviance or check with counselor to confirm everything has been sent. We are very good about meeting all deadlines!

Why is there a review waiver on the form? Why would anyone want to waive that right?

If colleges know students have viewed the recommendation, it takes away from the validity of the recommendation. We encourage students to waive that right. If a teacher or counselor is writing, we will be putting the student in the best light.

Where do students find the transcript request forms?

We will have them available in the counseling office

I must have missed it but what is FERPA?

FERPA is the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

What if a student wants to have a personal recommendation? Is that entered into Naviance and if so, is there a link that is sent?

For personal recommendations, they may need to be sent directly to the college. Outside recommenders cannot upload to Naviance. Mr. Hock can help upload one outside recommendation.

Do you have to do the FERPA with each college they are applying to?

The student only does the FERPA once on Common App or each application platform.

How do we get a copy of their transcript at this time?

You can email the counselor for a copy/ have the student stop by our office before/after school or during lunch

What if your student is awarded an athletic scholarship before November how does that change the application deadline? Is it the same process?

The application process is the same as any other.

is the mdcaps account for students or parents?

MDCAPS is for the students

Is there a good way to go about finding scholarships?

You can start researching scholarships at anytime. Most students like to complete their applications before starting on scholarship applications.

Is there a master checklist with dates of these deadlines?

The transcript request form has all of the school deadlines listed. For the colleges, once your child adds the school to Naviance, under colleges I am thinking about, you will see all of the college's application deadlines.

How soon do you start applying for scholarships?

You can start researching scholarships at anytime. Most students like to complete their applications before starting on scholarship applications.

I do not see where the FERPA waiver is on the common app

You need to add a college on Common App before the FERPA waiver is available to sign. If a student needs assistance, we can help find it with them

If you apply to more than one college, do you have to write a separate essay for each college in the Common App?

When using the Common App students should write an essay answering one of the Common App essay prompts. Each college may have a supplemental essay or questions that need to be answered as well.

Does everyone have to fill out the FAFSA?

Completing FAFSA is optional, but it is highly recommended!