

Fall 2018 Senior Meeting: Next Steps

GPA weighted _____ GPA un-weighted _____ Class rank is **exact** _____ of _____.
Grading scale is 4.0. Report **weighted GPA** on applications unless otherwise indicated.

College Application Options: Early action, Early decision (Binding), Regular admission, Rolling admission.

Transcripts requests

Common App- Your assigned counselor will upload your transcript and other required information to the Common App. (You do not need to request one be sent.) **These electronic uploads are free.** If you apply through the Common App, please check that your counselor received a notification from CA via e-mail. Your counselor also will upload a transcript and supporting information for you if you are applying to a school through SENDedu.

School's website- For schools not on the Common App, you will have to request that a transcript be sent. Please see Ms. Simpson in student services to fill out a transcript request form.

The first two paper copies are free; after that, they are \$5 each. Scholarship transcripts requests are always free.

Your final transcript will be sent in June to your one school or destination of choice. (We will ask for your final decision in May on “bound for” cards.) You will not need to contact our office in June to request these transcripts to be sent unless you have changed your final destination.

Letters of recommendation

Please thoroughly research each school's admissions criteria. Many schools do not want letters of recommendation. We only send counselor letters of recommendation to schools that require them. Should you require a letter of recommendation from a teacher or counselor, please give at least two weeks' notice, along with the completed Brag Sheet(or resume). (Brag sheets found in Student Services Office or on the Student Services Website).

Testing

November 2017 is the last test date that can be considered with **early action** applications **for most colleges.** You must send your scores directly to your schools of interest through the College Board and/or ACT websites. **(Counselors cannot send those for you.)**

Financial Assistance

FAFSA is available starting October 1, 2018. **Make sure you go to the correct website. The application is free (<https://fafsa.ed.gov/>).**

CSS Profile: Some colleges request for you to submit your CSS profile in addition to the FAFSA, please check your schools for requirements. For more information please visit:

{<https://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile>}

Scholarships: ●Please check our student services website on the “Scholarships” tab for up to date info regarding scholarships we are aware of. ●To be considered for “merit based” scholarships, be sure you are applying to schools during their early action deadlines. ●You may also be eligible for “need based” scholarships based on your family's income. This is usually determined using the FAFSA you complete. ●You will also want to visit each college's financial aid website for more scholarships specific to each school.

NCAA-Apply ASAP if you want to play D1 or D2 sports in college. See Mr. Carnelley with questions.