

# HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR PARENT NIGHT CLASS OF 2024



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

# AGENDA

- **Welcome and Introduction**

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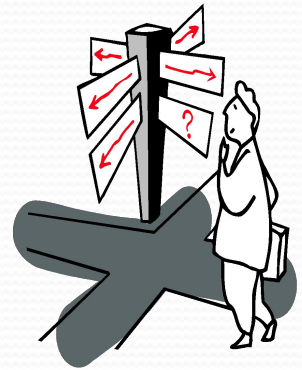
**Bernadette Walsh**  
**School Counselor/College Advisor**

- **Post Secondary Planning**  
**Student Responsibilities**  
**The College Office/Google Classroom**  
**Naviance**  
**College Admission Criteria & Procedures**  
**Financial Aid and Scholarships**  
**Special Considerations**

- **Q & A**

# POST SECONDARY PLANNING

- Impact of COVID-19—Regents Exemptions and Special Appeals
- All students have options
- It's not where you go, but what you do when you get there
- Everyone's path will be unique; try not to compare
- Organizing post secondary planning into steps can reduce stress
- Our role in the process is to advise and support



# STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Own the Process!
  - Have you verified the accuracy of your transcript?
  - What steps have you taken to research schools and complete applications on time?
  - Have you started working on your college essay?
  - Student athletes, have you registered with the NCAA?
- Communicate and Monitor!
  - Join the Class of 2024 Remind group, @hunt2024
  - Have you made an appointment with Mrs. Walsh?
  - Do you know if your colleges require/recommend supplemental essays?
  - Do you know how to utilize Naviance to request teacher recommendation letters?
  - Dates and Deadlines
- Follow-up with the College Office on all admission decisions!

# THE COLLEGE OFFICE

ROOM 120

631-673-2131

- Mrs. Bernadette Walsh:  
School Counselor/College Advisor  
[bwalsh@hufsd.edu](mailto:bwalsh@hufsd.edu)
- Mrs. Linda Catalano:  
College Office Secretary  
[lcatalano@hufsd.edu](mailto:lcatalano@hufsd.edu)
- College visits
- College fairs
- Scholarships
- Friday flyer
- Financial aid
- NCAA
- Naviance

# COLLEGE VISITS

Many college admission counselors are scheduled to meet with Huntington High School students this fall. Most visits will be held at HHS during the day. Some will be held virtually after school hours. A complete list of the colleges scheduled is available on Naviance and on the College Office Google Classroom.

- Students will register in the College Office and obtain a pass to attend the in person, one period meetings.
- Students will register for the virtual meetings via their Naviance account and an access link will be provided 15 minutes prior to the event via Naviance.
- Please be sure to check with each college's admission office for additional information such as virtual college fairs and other admission opportunities.

# COLLEGE OFFICE GOOGLE CLASSROOM

Students will access the Google Classroom via CLEVER

- Class code: lbl3krc
- Videos, guides, how-to's
- Classwork:
  - College rep visits
  - College application platforms
  - Naviance
  - Recommendation letters
  - Standardized testing
  - Forms
  - Financial aid
  - Additional resources
  - Friday Flyer

# NAVIANCE

Students will access Naviance via CLEVER

- About Me
- Colleges
- Careers
- Document Library



# COLLEGE ADMISSION CRITERIA

## 4 year colleges

- Transcript
- Standardized test scores (OR test optional [www.fairtest.org](http://www.fairtest.org))
- Extracurricular activities
- Recommendations
- Essay
- Portfolio/audition

## 2 year colleges

- Transcript
- Standardized tests (may used for placement)

# COLLEGE APPLICATION OPTIONS

- **Regular Decision:** “I am interested and if accepted, I might want to attend.”
- **Early Action:** “I am very interested and if accepted, I will most likely attend.”
- **Early Decision:** “It’s true love, and if accepted, I *must attend*, because it is *contractually binding*.” (ED I & II)
- **Single Choice/Restrictive Early Action:** “I’m very interested, and you’re the one and only school I may apply to early.” (Non-binding)
- **Rolling Admission:** “I must apply as soon as possible because applications are reviewed and decisions are made on a rolling basis.”

# HOW DOES THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS BEGIN?

- Meet with Mrs. Walsh
- Submit Necessary Forms
  - Activity Sheet
  - Appraising Myself as I Plan for the Future
- Complete Application Forms
  - Records Release Form
  - Common Application/Coalition Application
  - Individual college applications



# WHAT MAY BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR COLLEGE APPLICATION?

- Application for undergraduate admission
- Student transcript
- Huntington High School Profile
- Counselor recommendation and Secondary School Report
- Teacher recommendations and evaluations
- Mid-year report
- Optional Report (if applicable)
- Essay
- Activity résumé/sheet
- Supplemental essay (individual colleges)
- Early Decision (ED) contract and Final Report

# COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCEDURES

All college application related materials will be submitted electronically through Naviance. This includes the following:

- Transcripts
  - SRAR: Self Reported Academic Record
- Teacher recommendations and evaluation forms
- Counselor recommendations and Secondary School Reports
- Other relevant college documents (Early Decision agreements, Fee Waivers, etc.)

# THE COALITION APPLICATION

- The platform provides a single, centralized toolkit for students to organize, build, and refine their applications to numerous institutions. There are currently over 150 Coalition member colleges across the country.
- The application is completed online and can be accessed by logging onto [www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org](http://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org). Some schools will accept the Coalition application in addition to other applications, such as the Common Application, while other schools are exclusive and therefore, require students to use the Coalition application.

# THE COMMON APPLICATION

- [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)
- Over 1,000 colleges and universities, private and public
- 1 application, 1 main essay
- COVID-19 question
- Various deadlines, application fees and supplemental essays
- Online application only

# COMMON APPLICATION FERPA

The screenshot shows the Common App interface for FERPA authorization. At the top, the Common App logo is on the left, and a user profile bar on the right says "Welcome, Test!" with a "Sign Out" button. Below this is a navigation bar with "Dashboard", "My Colleges", "Common App", "College Search", and "Financial Aid Resources". The "My Colleges" sidebar on the left lists "Cornell University" (selected), "Long Island University", "New York University", "Savannah College of Art and Design", "St. Joseph's College - Long Island Campus", "SUNY Stony Brook University", and "University of Virginia". The main content area is titled "Recommendors & FERPA" and features a warning icon and the text "FERPA Release Authorization: Before you can invite your counselor, teachers, recommenders, parents, or advisors, you must complete the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) release authorization process." It includes a link to "Learn more about FERPA" and a prominent blue "Complete Release Authorization" button. A "Continue" button is also visible. On the right, an "Instructions and Help" sidebar contains links for "Naviance: How do students add and assign recommenders?", "What is an advisor?", "What are the hours for student chat?", and "What is the FERPA Waiver?".

common app

Welcome, Test!

Sign Out

DashboardMy CollegesCommon AppCollege SearchFinancial Aid Resources

My Colleges

Cornell University

College Information

Application

Questions

Recommendors and FERPA

Review and Submit - Common App

Long Island University

New York University

Savannah College of Art and Design

St. Joseph's College - Long Island Campus

SUNY Stony Brook University

University of Virginia

## Recommendors & FERPA

**⚠ FERPA Release Authorization**

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[Learn more about FERPA](#)

**Complete Release Authorization**

Continue

### Instructions and Help

**Naviance: How do students add and assign recommenders?**

If your school uses Naviance, you will not be able to assign counselor or teacher recommendations.

[Read more](#)

**What is an advisor?**

An advisor is a type of recommender for your Common App. If you receive support from

[Read more](#)

**What are the hours for student chat?**

You are able to chat with us Monday-Friday, 12pm-8pm Eastern Time\* (excluding holidays) from October -

[Read more](#)


**What is the FERPA Waiver?**






Since FERPA is a complex law, we want to provide some key information before you respond to the

[Read more](#)




# COMMON APPLICATION MATCHING WITH NAVIANCE



Home Self-Discovery Careers **Colleges** Planner

























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Log Out

**Colleges I'm Applying To**

 It looks like you are not currently able to apply to Common App schools. Match your Common App account to Naviance Student account to get started.
 Match Accounts

Application Milestones
Compare Me

 = extended profile available

College	App Type 	Deadline	Expected Difficulty*	Transcripts	Office Materials	Submission  Type	Application
 Adelphi University	Early Action - Fall 2024	Dec 1	N/A	No request	Pending		Unknown  <span>More</span>
 American University	 <u>Unknown</u>	-	N/A	No request	Pending		Unknown  <span>More</span>
 Coastal Carolina University	 <u>Unknown</u>	-	N/A	No request	Pending		Unknown  <span>More</span>
 Farmingdale State College	Rolling - Fall 2024 (begins August 2024)	Jul 26	N/A	No request	Pending		Unknown  <span>More</span>
Florida Gulf Coast University	Regular Decision - Fall 2024	Mar 1	N/A	No request	Pending		Unknown  <span>More</span>
Lafayette College	Regular Decision - Fall 2024	Jan 15	N/A	No request	Pending		Unknown  <span>More</span>

# COLLEGES I'M APPLYING TO

## Colleges I'm Applying To













Successfully matched

**!** Common App FERPA waiver missing.  
You must complete your FERPA waiver. [Complete your FERPA waiver on Common App.](#)  
After you have completed your FERPA, if you still see the error message, please refresh your browser after 1 minute.

**✓** You have matched your Common app account using the name Test Student24.  
CA match email: | Common App ID: |

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<input type="checkbox"/>	 Coastal Carolina University	 Unknown	-	N/A	No request	Pending		Unkno
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# LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- 2 core subject-academic recommendations
  - Recommendation Request form
  - Student Brag Sheet
  - Request recommendations through Naviance
  - See the official Recommendation Request Form for specific procedures
- 1 counselor recommendation
  - Mrs. Walsh will write and forward to all Common Application colleges and non Common Application colleges where applicable

# REQUESTING RECOMMENDATION LETTERS

LOG OUTHOMEColleges

## Letters of recommendation

### Add new request

Here you can ask a teacher to write you a letter of recommendation. Make sure you give your teachers plenty of time to write your recommendations!

CancelSubmit Request

1. Who would you like to write this recommendation?\*


Select A Teacher

2. Select the recommendation request type:\*

☐ General request  
*Select this if you are ready to request a recommendation without selecting a specific college*

☒ Specific request  
*Select this if you are requesting a recommendation for specific colleges from your Colleges I'm Applying To list*

<input type="checkbox"/> Select All	Colleges +	Due +
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adelphi University 0 required / 4 allowed / 0 requested	Dec 01 2021
<input type="checkbox"/>	Long Island University 0 required / 2 allowed / 0 requested	Dec 15 2021
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mount Saint Mary College 0 required / 3 allowed / 0 requested	Jan 15 2022
<input type="checkbox"/>	New York University 1 required / 2 allowed / 0 requested	Jan 05 2022
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stony Brook University 0 required / 3 allowed / 0 requested	Dec 01 2021

Show Me How

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# STANDARDIZED TEST SUBMITTAL

## HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL CEEB: 332490

- SAT score reports
  - [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
  - College Board customer service (866) 756-7346
  - Cumulative or Score Choice
- ACT score reports
  - [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
  - ACT score reports (319) 337-1313
  - Report by test date
- AP scores
  - [www.collegeboard.com/apcentral](http://www.collegeboard.com/apcentral)
  - AP customer service (888) 225-5427
- Self Reported
- FairTest.org

# SHOULD I TEST? SHOULD I SEND MY SCORES?

- **Test optional:** applicant has the option of submitting standardized test scores for consideration with their application
- **Test blind:** scores will not be reviewed for any candidate for admission. The goal of a test-blind policy is to remove the pressure on students to provide a score if some others are doing so.
- **Test flexible:** refers to adjustments to testing requirements, particularly in locations where testing opportunities were limited

Be sure to call the admission offices for additional information!

# STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (SUNY)

- [www.suny.edu/student](http://www.suny.edu/student)
- 64 campuses
  - 30 community colleges
- 7,000+ academic programs
- 370K students enrolled in the SUNY system (4 and 2 year colleges)
- Varying academic requirements
  - *SUNY has temporarily suspended SAT/ACT testing requirements for students applying for admission to a SUNY bachelor's degree-granting college. You may now decide whether or not to include your scores for admission consideration at each college to which you apply.*
  - *If you believe your scores are an accurate representation of your ability, SUNY colleges can consider them along with all other materials in your application file. If you think your scores do not represent your abilities, SUNY colleges can holistically evaluate your application without considering them.*
- Common application, SUNY application, or Coalition application
- Various deadlines (EA, ED, RD or rolling)



# CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (CUNY)

- [www.cuny.edu](http://www.cuny.edu)
- 14 senior colleges
- 10 community colleges
- 1,750+ programs of study
- 270K students enrolled in the CUNY system (2 and 4 year colleges)
- Varying academic requirements

*CUNY has revised its testing policy to test optional effective fall 2023 through spring 2025. First-year applicants can choose whether to submit SAT or ACT exam scores as part of their application. The admission decision will be based primarily on a student's academic preparation in high school, including overall grade-point-average, course grades and the academic rigor of their high school curriculum. Students should carefully consider whether they would like to send their test scores:*

- *If a student has a particularly strong academic record and believes that their standardized exam scores do not reflect their full academic potential, they may elect not to send SAT or ACT exam scores to CUNY.*
- *If a student feels that standardized test scores improve their overall academic record, we invite them to send test scores.*
- *The absence of SAT or ACT exam scores cannot be used to deny a student admission.*
- Macaulay Honors College at 8 senior colleges (11/16/23 deadline-10/24/23 HHS deadline)
- One application and one fee used for up to 6 campuses
- February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline (general freshman admission) and then rolling admission on a space available basis, 1/10/24 HHS suggested deadline



# RECORDS RELEASE FORM

- Available in the College Office and on the Google Classroom
- Student and parent/guardian signature required
- Checklist
- 1 RRF/college
- RRF due to the College Office 15 school days before the application deadline. May be dropped off or emailed.



# FINANCIAL AID



- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
  - Federal student financial aid, such as Pell grant, student loans, and college work-study. In addition, most states and schools use FAFSA information to award their financial aid.
  - **Available December 2023**  
[www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov)
- NYS Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)
  - New York's grant program that helps eligible NYS residents attending NYS institutions
  - Grant based upon NYS taxable income
  - **Available December 2023 (FAFSA MUST BE COMPLETED FIRST)**  
[www.hesc.ny.gov/tap](http://www.hesc.ny.gov/tap)
- CSS/ Financial Aid Profile
  - Nearly 400 colleges & universities use the profile to distribute nonfederal student aid funds
  - **Available 10/01/2023**  
<https://profileonline.collegeboard.com/index.jsp>
- HHS Financial Aid Night – January 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- HHS FAFSA Completion Night-January 30, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

# SCHOLARSHIPS



- NYS Scholarships & Awards
  - [www.hesc.ny.gov](http://www.hesc.ny.gov)
- Religious organizations, employer, cultural organizations, service organizations
- Merit scholarships: awarded in recognition of achievement, usually in academics, athletics or the arts
- Quarterly scholarship newsletters are posted on the website

# SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Learning Accommodations/Student Support Services
- NCAA [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)
- Portfolio requirements
  - Fine Arts, Graphic Design, Architecture, Writing, Music Composition
- Audition deadlines
  - Drama, Music, Voice, Dance

# ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

Several drop-in workshops will be held in the library. Be sure to stop by during a free period to work on college applications, matching Naviance and the Common Application, request recommendation letters, etc.

- September 27th, Periods 5 and 6
- September 28th, Periods 1 and 2
- September 29th, Periods 3 and 4
- October 2nd, Periods 7 and 8
- October 3rd, Period 9

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

