JUNIOR PARENT NIGHT

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Junior Year Priorities

Focus on grades and GPA

 Focus on college entrance exam prep (SAT, ACT, Subject Tests)

Explore and visit colleges





College Entrance Exams

Know tests required for admissions

SAT: Components include evidence based reading/writing and math (essay optional)

ACT: Components include reading, math, science reasoning and English (essay optional)

SAT Subject Tests: Measure knowledge and skills in particular areas (History, Literature, Science, Math, Foreign Languages)

- Register for the SAT/ACT
 When? SAT/ACT Spring
 SAT Subject May/June
- Colleges Need Official Test Scores
 - Student responsibility to send scores to colleges through testing websites





2017-2018 SAT Test Dates

Test Date	Normal Deadline	Late Registration*	Online Score Release		
August 26, 2017	July 28, 2017	August 15, 2017	September 14, 2017		
October 7, 2017	September 8, 2017	September 22, 2017	October 27, 2017		
November 4, 2017	October 6, 2017	October 20, 2017	November 23, 2017		
December 2, 2017 November 3, 2017		November 17, 2017	December 21, 2017		
March 10, 2018**	March 10, 2018** February 9, 2018		March 29, 2018		
May 5, 2018 April 6, 2018		April 20, 2018	May 24, 2018		
June 2, 2018	June 2, 2018 May 4, 2018		June 21, 2018		

^{*}The late registration deadline is one week earlier if you are registering by mail.

To Register: www.collegeboard.org



2017-2018 ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Test Date Deadline		Score Release*		
Sept 9, 2017	Aug 4, 2017	Aug 18, 2017	Sept 10; Oct 3, 2017		
Oct 28, 2017	ct 28, 2017 Sept 22, 2017		Nov 7; Nov 21, 2017		
Dec 9, 2017	Dec 9, 2017 Nov 3, 2017		Dec 19; Jan 2, 2018		
Feb 10, 2018	Jan 12, 2018	Jan 19, 2018	Feb 2; Mar 6, 2018		
Apr 14, 2018 Mar 9, 2018		Mar 23, 2018	Apr 24; May 8, 2018		
June 9, 2018 May 4, 2018		May 18, 2018	June 19; July 3, 2018		
July 14, 2018	June 15, 2018	June 22, 2018	July 24; Aug 7, 2018		

To Register: www.actstudent.org



Not All Schools Require SAT/ACT Scores

 Nearly 900 four-year colleges do not use the SAT or ACT to admit substantial numbers of bachelor degree applicants



Source: www.fairtest.org



A Few Schools That Do Not Require the SAT/ACT

- Bates College
- Bowdoin College
- Connecticut College
- College of the Holy Cross
- Fairfield University
- Franklin and Marshall College
- George Washington University
- Gettysburg College
- Goucher College

- Hobart and William Smith Colleges
- Johnson and Wales University
- Loyola University
- Marist
- Muhlenberg College
- New York University
- Providence College
- Stonehill College
- University of Scranton

Source: www.fairtest.org

How do we even begin to search for colleges!?!



Step 1: Self Evaluate

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Find the Best Match for Your Child!

- Academic interests, abilities, and learning style
- Goals and values
- Strengths and weaknesses
- Passions
- Personality, independence, and relationships to others
- Likes and dislikes



Step 2: Find Potential Matches Through Research



Know Your Resources

- Counselors, Friends, Family,
 Teachers, Co-workers
- Naviance (Family Connection)
- Websites
- Books
- Meet Visiting College Reps
- College Fairs



What is Naviance?

- Web-based resource that supports career and college planning
- On-line tool for collaboration among counselors, students, and parents
- Family Connection (parent/student version) directly linked to counselor's office
- Counselor's office tracks and analyzes data about colleges that is specific to our school

What Can You Do With It?

- Research Colleges
 - Compare GPA, standardized test scores, and other statistics to actual historical data from our graduates
- Review and compare college profiles, produce scattergrams
- Show schedule of college visits
- Research scholarship opportunities
- Research careers

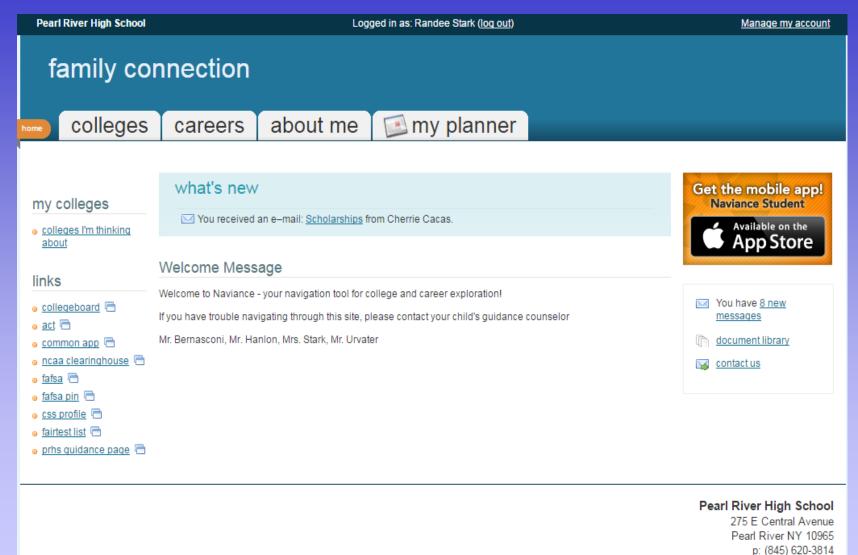


How Is It Accessed? On the web at http://connection.naviance.com/prhs or by visiting the PRHS guidance web page for juniors

Welcome to Family Connection Nice to see you again! Please log in.	
e-mail password remember me	are you new here? I'm a quest I need to register
Log In forgot your password? need additional help?	
	Pearl River High School 275 E Central Avenue Pearl River NY 10965 p: (845) 620-3814 Privacy Policy

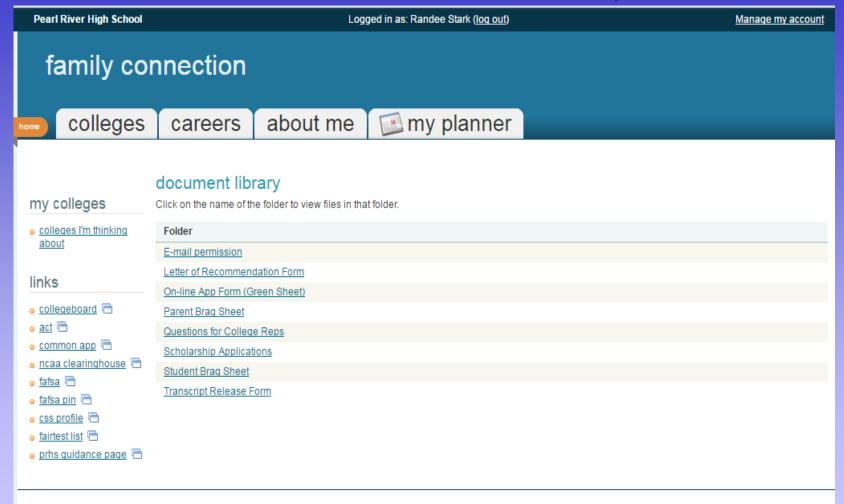


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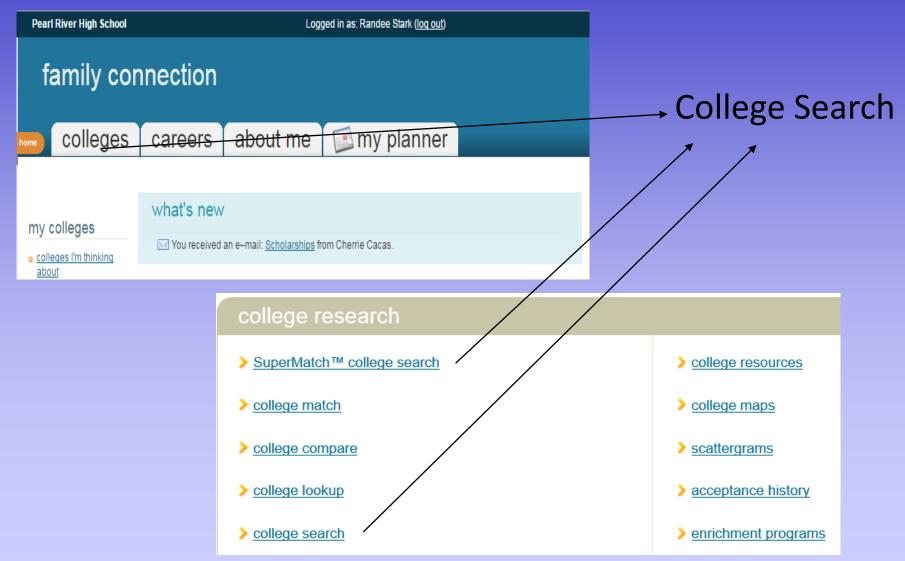


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College Search on Naviance

Narrow 6000+ schools to a manageable list



College Search on Naviance

Filter using:

- Type of school
- Location
- Campus size
- Activities & sports
- Majors & academics
- Admissions
- Cost
- Special programs



Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)

- EOP provides access, academic support and financial aid to students who show promise for succeeding in college but who may not otherwise be offered admission.
- To be eligible a student must:
 - 1) be a New York State resident for 12 months prior to enrollment
 - 2) require alternate admissions consideration
 - 3) qualify as economically disadvantaged according to the guidelines indicated.

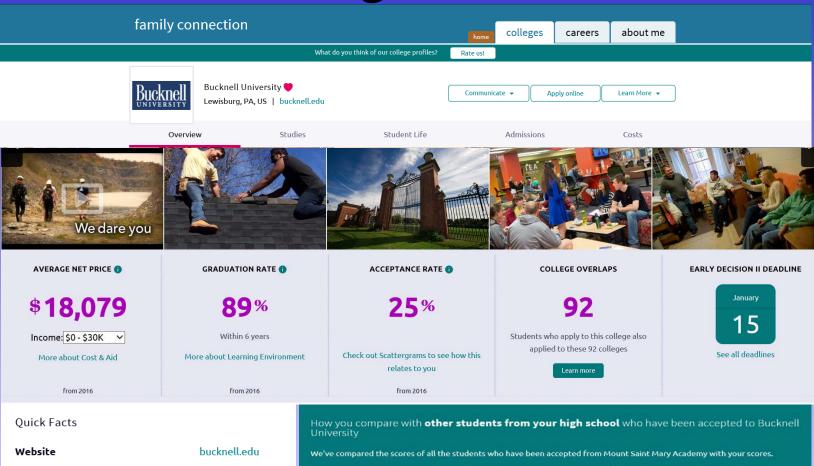
EOP Income Guidelines* 2018-19

Household Size (Including head of household)	Total Annual Income in 2016 Calendar Year		
1	\$ 22,311		
2	30,044		
3	37,777		
4	45,510		
5	53,243		
6	60,976		
7	68,709		
8	76,442*		

^{*}Plus \$7,733 for each additional household member in excess of eight.



College Profile



School Type

Undergraduate Enrollment

Student-to-Faculty Ratio

Campus Surroundings

Degrees Offered

Private / 4 Year

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3,569

10 to 1

Small Town

Masters

Bachelors



FAIR
You: 3.4
Average: 3.9
Lowest: 3.12 | Highest: 4.29

SAT

FAIR You: 1190 Average: 1330 Lowest: 1130 | Highest: 1470 ACT

GOOD You: 28 Average: 27 Lowest: 19 | Highest: 32 OVERALL AVERAGE

FAIR
Some of your scores are below average.

Compare me with all accepted applicants

Note: All scores have been converted to the Standard College Board 4.0 GPA scale, the SAT 1600 point scale, and the ACT 36 point scale.

Colleges I'm Thinking About

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search for colleges:



MORE SEARCH OPTIONS >>

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+ add colleges to this list | compare me

my colleges

- colleges I'm thinking about
- colleges I'm applying to
- college visits

college research

- SuperMatch™ college search
- college match
- college compare
- college lookup

					Application Deadlines†		Actions				
College	Delivery type	Added By	Expected Difficulty*	My Interest	Early Decision	Early Action	Priority	Regular Decision	Manage Communication	Graph	www
☐ <u>Binghamton</u>	CA	student	N/A	N/A ▼	-	Nov 01	-	Jan 15	M		-
Boston Univ	CA	student	N/A	N/A ▼	Nov 01	-	-	Jan 03		Ī	
Harvard University	CA	student	N/A	N/A ▼	-	Nov 01	-	Jan 01			-
Manhattan Coll	CA	student	N/A	N/A ▼	Nov 15	-	-	-		Ī	
U of Rhode Island	CA	student	N/A	N/A ▼	-	Dec 01	-	Feb 01		Ī	m)

Update Interest

Remove from List

- * Difficulty of admission specifically for you as estimated by your counselor
- †College information is provided by the colleges themselves. Costs, dates, policies, and programs are subject to change, so please confirm important facts with college admission personnel.



College Compare/ Overlaps on Naviance

COLLEGE OVERLAPS

168

Students who apply to this college also applied to these 168 colleges

Learn more

Top 10 Application Overlaps (2008 - 2016) :: compare me

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Overlaps	College	Apps	Accept	Accept %	Accept SAT Avg. 1600	Accept SAT Avg. 2400	Accept ACT Avg.	Accept GPA Avg.
	Fordham Univ	227	129	57%	-	1883	28	3.9
82	Loyola Univ MD	185	137	74%	-	1743	25	3.72
81	Villanova Univ	181	70	39%	-	1939	29	4.05
73	Providence Coll	177	105	59%	-	1758	26	3.82
73	Saint Joseph's Univ	182	164	90%	-	1644	24	3.53
67	Boston Coll	144	56	39%	-	2010	30	4.18
65	Rutgers University-New Brunswick	211	160	76%	1230	1793	26	3.77
60	New York Univ	96	33	34%	-	1965	27	3.97
58	Fairfield Univ	174	137	79%	-	1691	24	3.61
41	U of Scranton	167	145	87%	-	1647	23	3.53
39	Boston Univ	99	44	44%	-	1905	27	3.87

Step 3: Visit colleges and also have your child meet with college reps who visit PRHS



Campus Visits

- Best to visit when school is in session
 - A good time is during February / April breaks
 - Junior / Senior privilege: 2 excused college days per year
- Sign up online for tour and/or interview
- Take notes, ask questions, evaluate what you see and hear, and take pictures!
- Try not to judge school based on tour guide, weather, etc.





Visit Schedule

College	Representative	Registrations	Date	Time
Elon University	David Kerman	6	Thu September 15, 2016	10:00 AM
Centenary University	Angelica Aceti	0	Thu September 22, 2016	1:15 PM
Felician University	Daniel Florez	0	Fri September 23, 2016	11:00 AM
Saint Mary's College	Colleen Golden	1	Fri September 30, 2016	10:00 AM
The University of Scranton	Melissa Bevacqua	11	Tue October 4, 2016	10:00 AM
The College of New Jersey	Jennie Sekanics	6	Wed October 12, 2016	10:00 AM
Bentley University	Chris Mann	1	Wed October 12, 2016	1:45 PM
High Point University	Megan Plasket	1	Fri October 14, 2016	9:15 AM
College of the Holy Cross	Kirsten Vanhorne	5	Mon October 17, 2016	9:15 AM
Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Jacqueline DeLaFuente	2	Mon October 17, 2016	1:15 PM
Saint Joseph's University	Brad Simon	5	Tue October 18, 2016	1:15 PM
Saint Anselm College	Paula Mensch	0	Thu October 20, 2016	9:15 AM
Fordham University	Rosellen Greco	15	Tue October 25, 2016	11:00 AM
State University of New York	Brian Culligan	1	Wed October 26, 2016	9:15 AM
Sarah Lawrence College	Royce Mussman	1	Fri October 28, 2016	10:00 AM
Hofstra University	Grace Tobin	1	Tue November 1, 2016	9:00 AM
Immaculata University	Owen Logue	0	Fri November 4, 2016	9:15 AM
Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising, Los Angeles	Lindsay Hannon	0	Wed November 16, 2016	9:15 AM
Salisbury University	Logan O'Meara	1	Mon November 28, 2016	11:00 AM
Salisbury University	Logan O'Meara	0	Mon December 5, 2016	10:00 AM
Savannah College of Art and Design	Taylor Rasak	1	Tue December 6, 2016	10:00 AM

Within each individual college profile, there is an area which displays upcoming scheduled visits & school contact

Boston College :: Chestnut Hill, MA :: U.S.

Scheduled Visits

11/30/2016 1:00pm

School Contacts

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Students click "Sign Up" and they are automatically added to a roster to track their participation in the visit.

Step 4: Refine and Balance "THE LIST"



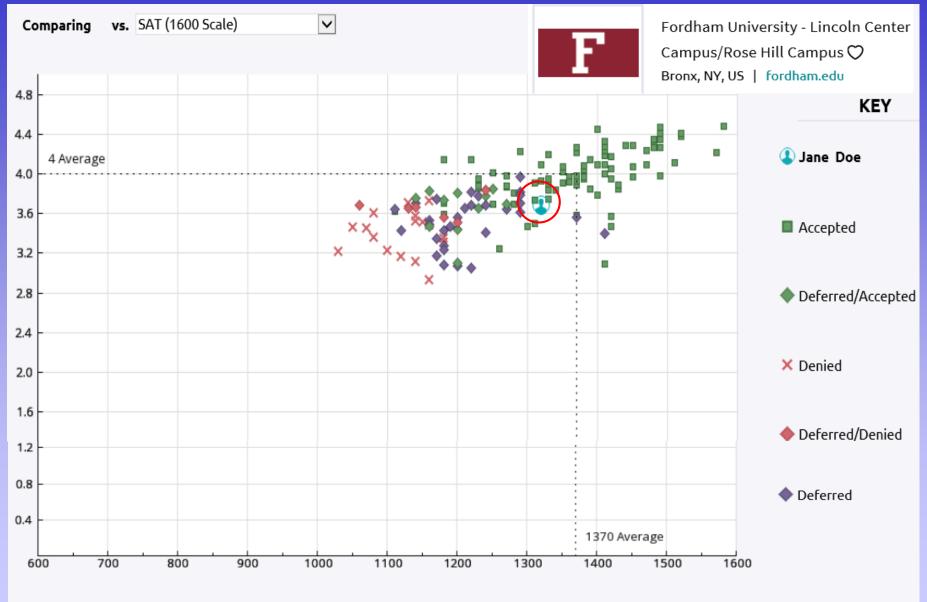
Refine and Balance the List!

- Importance of a well balanced list
 - identify likelihood of admission
 - safety, target, reach
 - 6-9 applications
- Use the Naviance Dashboard and Scattergrams
 - GPA and SAT/ACT scores
- 2 safeties = less stress
 - more likely to receive \$\$\$





Scattergram





Compare Personal Statistics to National Data on Naviance



Fordham University - Lincoln Center
Campus/Rose Hill Campus
Bronx, NY, US | fordham.edu

How you compare with **all students** who have been accepted to Fordham University - Lincoln Center Campus/Rose Hill Campus

We've taken the middle 50% of all students who've been accepted to Fordham University - Lincoln Center Campus/Rose Hill Campus and compared your scores with theirs.



Compare me with students from my high school

48%

Compare Personal Statistics to PRHS Data on Naviance



How you compare with **other students from your high school** who have been accepted to Fordham University - Lincoln Center Campus/Rose Hill Campus

We've compared the scores of all the students who have been accepted from Mount Saint Mary Academy with your scores.



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Step 5: Gather the Components of the Application



Application

- Common Application What is it?
- The Common Application will be available as of August 1st.
- The most popular ways to apply are through the Common Application or the college's application.
- Most important piece of the process is the student's application and that the application arrives on time.
- Main components include application itself, an essay, and letters of recommendation.
- Do NOT miss the deadline!!



Ways to Apply?

- Early Decision (EDI/EDII) a binding agreement. Once accepted,
- one MUST attend the school.
- Early Action (EA) Apply early and receive an admission decision early (usually December or January).
 - Restrictive Early Action-definition varies from school to school
 - Single Choice Early Action does not allow candidates to apply to other schools during the early-action period only.
- **Regular** Applications are due from January to March, outcome is mailed in April.
- **Rolling**-Decisions can be released 4 to 6 weeks after an application is completed
- Early Action and Regular Decision deposits are due by May 1st.
- Please note: All on-line application forms must be in the guidance office ten school days prior to any college application deadline.



- Colleges will look at all available grades.
- The high school transcript is submitted to colleges after students submit a "green sheet" to guidance.
 - Displays the final grades received in every subject from freshman through junior year.
- Senior year grades are automatically submitted at the end of the first semester (also known as Mid-Year Reports). First quarter grades are submitted ONLY upon student request.
- Cumulative GPA and class rank are listed on the bottom of the transcript. College testing scores are NOT reported on the transcript.



College Essay



- 12th Grade English teachers will begin to address essays in class in early September.
- Be yourself, be real! Creativity is highly valued!
- Colleges want to see you in the framework of your passions, values, and writing mechanics.
- Proofread! Proofread! Proofread!

Letters of Recommendation



- Two teacher letters from teachers who know your child well.
 Preferably teachers from junior year.
- Students must ask teachers in person, and present them with the pink Teacher Recommendation form. They must follow up with a request on Naviance.
- Students should ask teachers before school ends in June.
- Counselor letter: counselors write a letter for each one of their students.
- Parent Brag Sheet: complete and send in to your school counselor by June 1st.
- Student Brag Sheet: must be completed and given in to your school counselor by June 1st.





Resume

- Colleges are looking for individuals that will enhance their campus.
- Colleges seek students who have **QUALITY** rather than **QUANTITY** in their activities!
- Emphasize the most significant activities. Exhibit level of commitment and leadership!
- IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO GET INVOLVED IN THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY!
- NCAA register online junior year.

Make the Summer Count!

• Students should set up an enrichment program or a volunteer project, take courses at a college, or seek internship opportunities in a field that interests them.

 See the Enrichment Program list on Naviance for ideas (colleges > college research > enrichment programs)

How Parents Can Help

- Topics to discuss with your child: How far? How much?
- Encourage your child to keep his/her options open!
- Research and visit colleges together. Use Naviance scattergrams as a resource.
- Encourage your child to use the checklist on Naviance to stay organized and on task.

Naviance Checklist

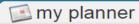
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interesting things about me:

- > resume
- game plan
- > documents
- journal
- checklist
- > survey history

official things:

- profile
- > inbox
- account
- test scores

surveys to take:

survey history

checklist

	Grade	Status	Date Completed
Register for SAT's and/or ACT's	11	completed	03/30/2016
Request teacher recommendation letters A copy of this Request form is available by clicking the "home" tab, then clicking on the "document library" tab. After you request letters from your teachers in person, follow up with a request through Naviance. Click the "colleges" tab, click "letters of recommendation".	11	completed	12/14/2016
Complete Transcript Release Form A copy of this form is available by clicking the "home" tab, then clicking on the "document library" tab.	11	completed	12/14/2016
Complete E-mail Permission Form A copy of this form is available by clicking the "home" tab, then clicking on the "document library" tab.	11	not completed	Mark this as completed
Complete Brag Sheet for guidance A copy of the Brag Sheet is available by clicking the "home" tab, then clicking on the "document library" tab.	11	not completed	Mark this as completed
Add colleges to Naviance Create a list of colleges on Naviance that you are most interested in applying to. If you need help expanding your list, you can search for colleges on Naviance by clicking on the "colleges" tab and either click "Super Match college search" or "college search". As you find colleges that interest you, click the tab for "ADD TO COLLEGES I'M THINKING ABOUT" to add colleges to your list.	11	not completed	Mark this as completed
Explore careers on Naviance Click on the "careers" tab on Naviance to explore different careers, and take career assessment tests to help you find career areas that may be of interest to you.	11	not completed	Mark this as completed
Create a resume	11	not completed	Mark this as completed
Visit Colleges & meet with reps @PRHS Not only should you visit college campuses and attend open houses, you should also meet with the visiting college reps at the high school. A complete list of scheduled college rep visits is available under "my colleges" in the "college" tab. Consider interviewing with college representatives as well.	11	not completed	Mark this as completed
Complete NCAA form for D1 & D2 sports If you plan to play a D1 or D2 sport in college, you must register with the NCAA Clearinghouse by clicking the "home" tab, then clicking on the tab for NCAA Clearinghouse under "links"	11	not completed	Mark this as completed
Attend the PTSA and RCC College Fairs	12	not completed	Mark this as completed
Attend College Panel in the fall at PRHS	12	not completed	Mark this as completed
Finalize list of schools to apply to Make sure to include safe schools (that are safe both academically and financially) to your list	12	not completed	Mark this as completed



Useful Websites

College Searches

www.collegeboard.com

www.petersons.com

www.embark.com

www.collegenet.com

www.princetonreview.com

Scholarships

www.fastweb.com

www.collegeexpress.com

www.collegeboard.com/paying

www.srnexpress.com

Testing Services

www.collegeboard.com

www.act.org

www.ets.org

Financial Aid

www.fafsa.ed.gov

www.finaid.org

www.hesaa.org

http://profileonline.collegeboard.com

www.pin.ed.gov

www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov

https://monmouth.adobeconnect.com/finaidnight1718

Other Sites

Common application: www.commonapp.org

Campus newspapers: http://newslink.org/statcamp.html

Campus tours: www.campustours.com

www.ecampustours.com

Campus viewbooks: www.campusview.com/

College majors: www.a2zcolleges.com/Majors/index.htm

Test optional schools: www.fairtest.org

NCAA: www.ncaaclearinghouse.net

www.eligibilitycenter.org



Books

- ABC's of College Planning
- College Board's College Handbook
- College Counseling Sourcebook
- Peterson's Four Year Colleges
- Barron's Profiles of American Colleges
- The Insider's Guide to the Colleges
- Choosing the Right College The Whole Truth About America's Top Schools
- Rugg's Recommendations on the Colleges
- Colleges That Change Lives
- College Majors Handbook
- Understanding Athletic Recruiting
- The K&W Guide to Colleges for Students with Learning Disabilities



