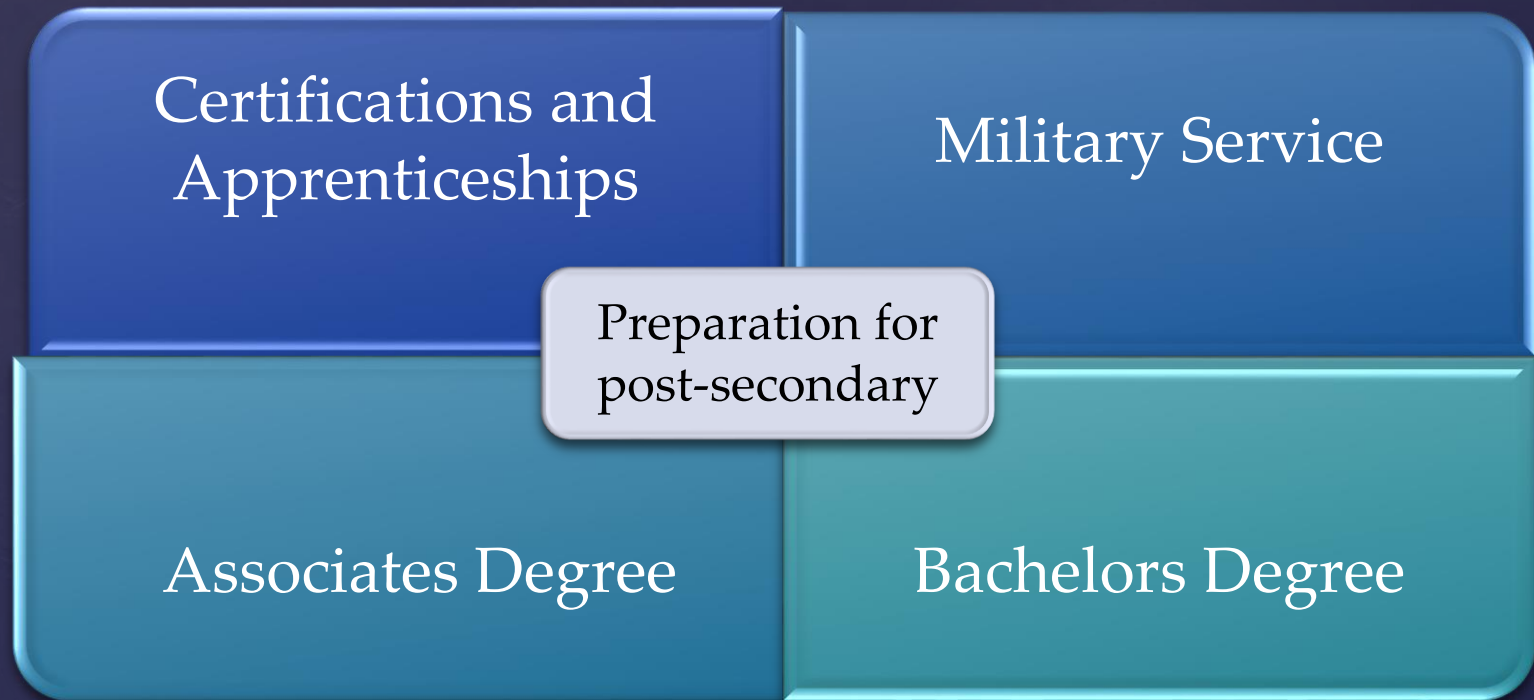


Class of 2019

◆Senior Class Meeting
August 2018

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Website: www.whscounselingcenter.com

Common Pathways After High School

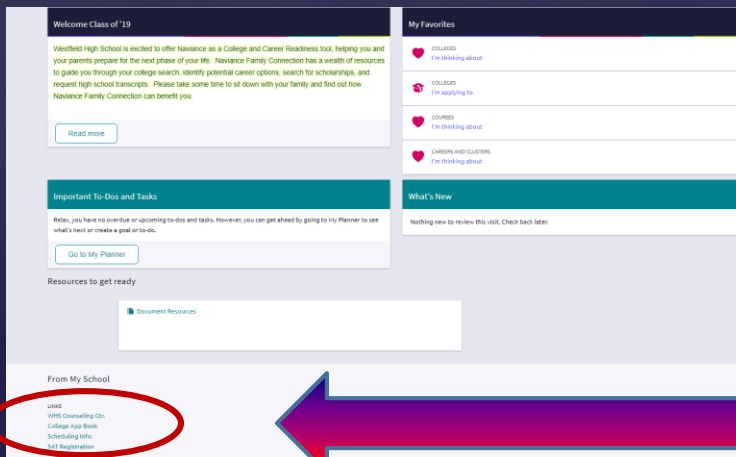


The College Application Book (CAB) for Class of 2019

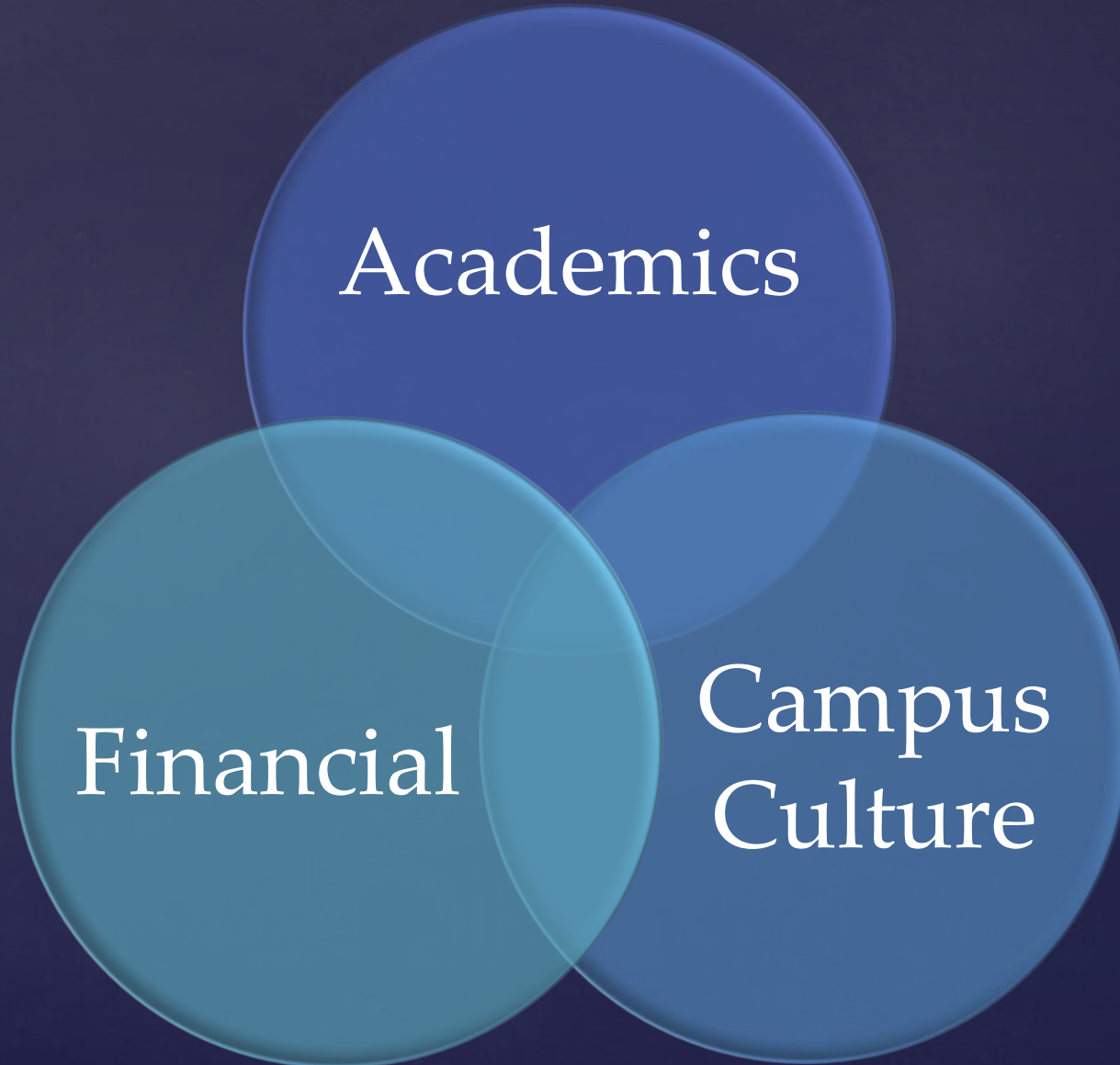
- Your go-to resource for answers to your college questions, including:
 - Finding the right fit and comparing colleges
 - Making the most of your college visit
 - Navigating scholarships and financial aid



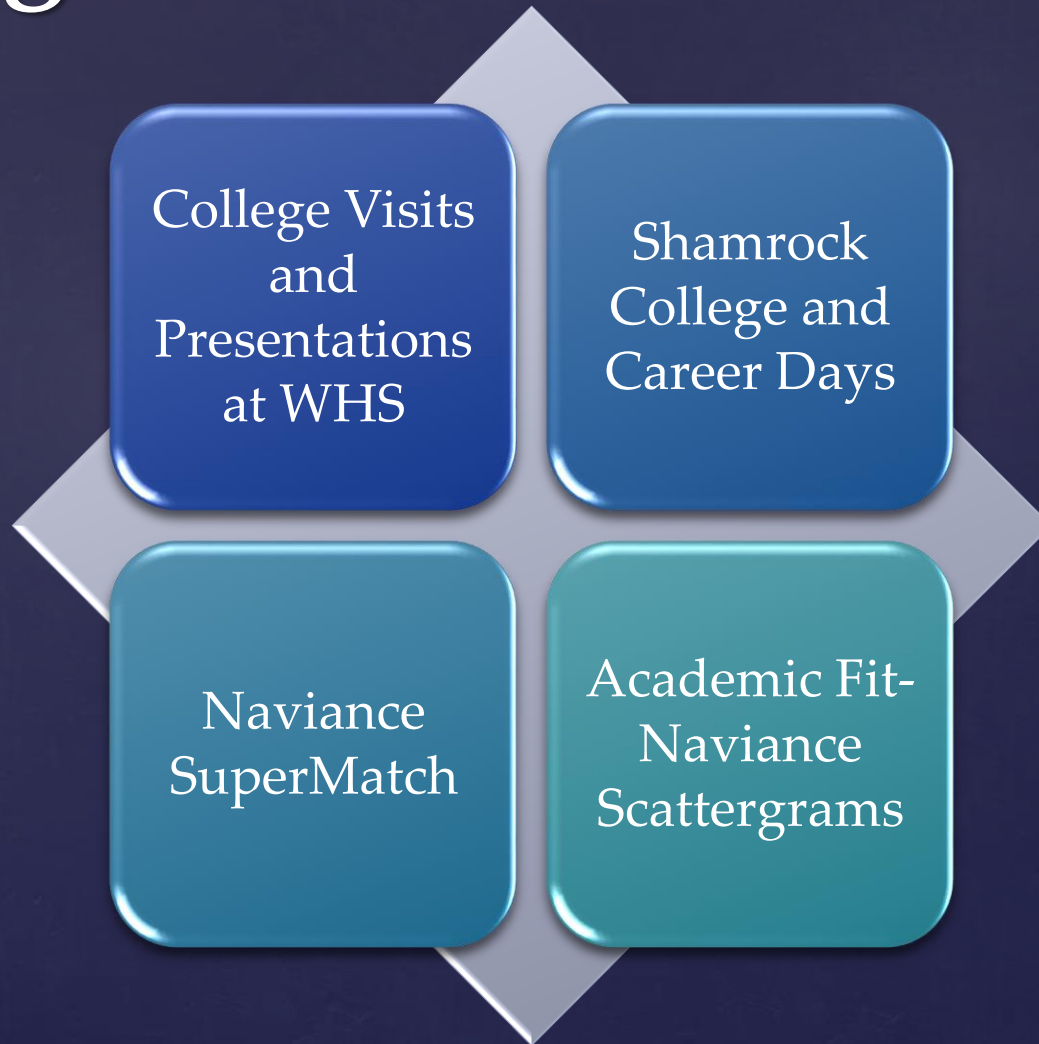
- Found in Naviance on your Homepage. Links are at the very bottom of screen.



Finding the Right Fit



Ways for Students to Find the Right Fit



Finding the Right Fit Academically

The screenshot shows the Naviance Student interface for Ball State University. The top navigation bar includes links for HOME, Courses, Colleges (selected), Careers, About Me, and My Planner. The main content area is divided into several sections:

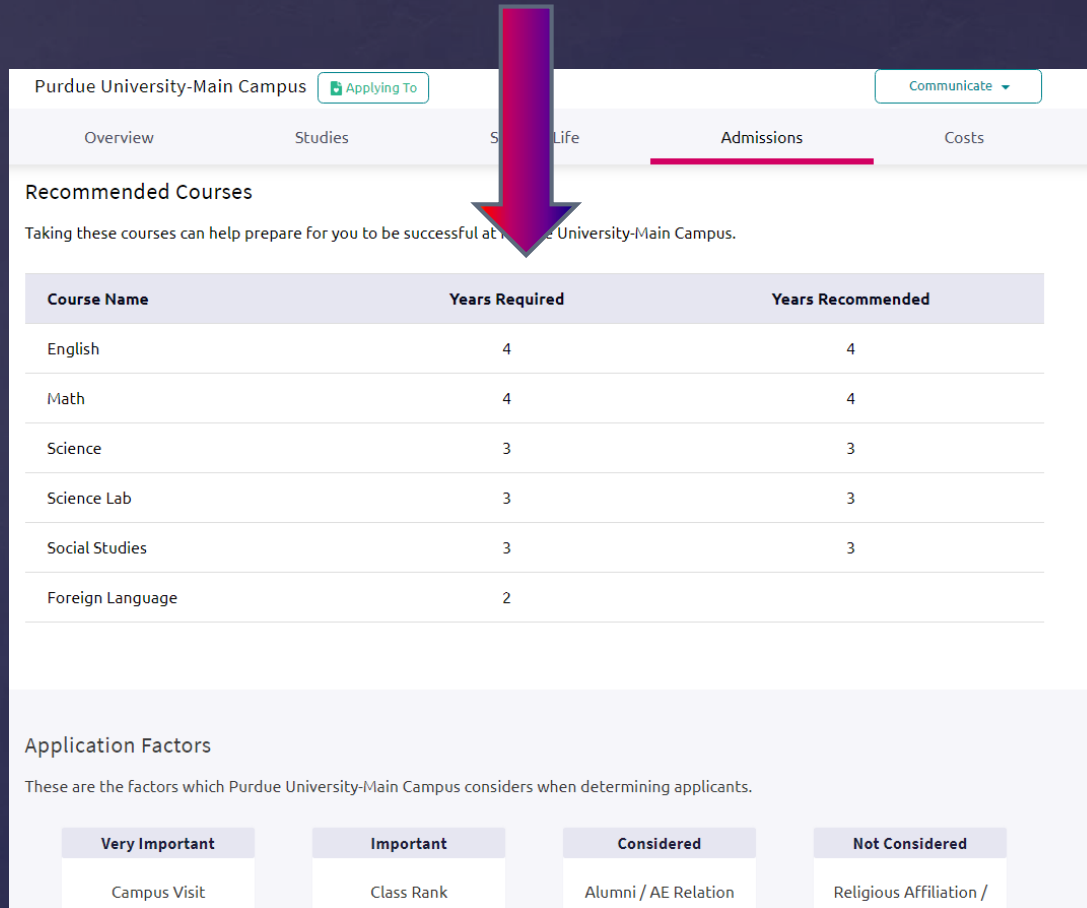
- College Profile:** Ball State University, Muncie, IN, United States | www.bsu.edu. A green 'Applying To' button is visible.
- Navigation Tabs:** Overview, Studies, Student Life, Admissions (highlighted with a red circle), and Costs.
- Application Information:** A green box displays 'PRIORITY APPLICATION DEADLINE WITH FULL SCHOLARSHIP CONSIDERATION December 1'. Below it is a link to 'See all deadlines'.
- Application Fees:** A section titled 'APPLICATION FEES' for 'Freshman Application' showing a fee of '\$55'.
- Acceptance Rate:** A donut chart showing an 'ACCEPTANCE RATE' of 62%.
- Important Policies:** A section titled 'IMPORTANT POLICIES' with the text 'Rolling Notification By Appointment Registration Competitive Admissions'.
- Applications from your high school to Ball State University:** A section showing data for three years: 2018, 2017, and 2016. Each year includes the total number of applicants, the number of students accepted, and the number of students enrolled, represented by small icons.

Annotations on the image include a red box around the college profile, a red circle around the 'Admissions' tab, a red box around the 'Application Information' section, and a red box around the 'Recent WHS Admission Stats' section.

Year	Total Applicants	Students Accepted	Students Enrolled
2018	213	154	44
2017	188	133	58
2016	171	123	53

Naviance College Dashboard gives you all sorts of great info!

Finding the Right Fit Academically



The screenshot shows the 'Admissions' tab of the Purdue University-Main Campus website. A large purple arrow points down to the 'Recommended Courses' section, and a green arrow points right to the 'Application Factors' section.

Recommended Courses

Taking these courses can help prepare for you to be successful at Purdue University-Main Campus.

Course Name	Years Required	Years Recommended
English	4	4
Math	4	4
Science	3	3
Science Lab	3	3
Social Studies	3	3
Foreign Language	2	

Application Factors

These are the factors which Purdue University-Main Campus considers when determining applicants.

Very Important	Important	Considered	Not Considered
Campus Visit	Class Rank	Alumni / AE Relation	Religious Affiliation /

Learn what courses may be required to be admitted and what factor play the biggest roles in admission decisions

Visit College Campuses

- Students are allowed two excused college visit days
- Set up appointment with the college's Office of Admission prior to your visit.
- Take a tour, sit in a class, meet students and professors.
- Complete the form and turn in to attendance two days prior to visit

College Visit Forms

Available online at whscounselingcenter.com/college/,
in the Counseling Center and in the Naviance Document
Library under Senior Forms

Upcoming Events

- **Individual College Advising Meetings with your School Counselor**
 - Throughout September and October. Counselors will send passes for your meeting.
- ***College Admission Presentations at WHS***
- ***Shamrock College Day***
 - Tuesday, Sept. 18: 3rd Period in Main Gym
- ***Shamrock Career Day***
 - Thursday, Sept. 20: 2nd and 3rd Period in Main Gym

*** Sign up for these Events in Naviance in the Colleges Tab ***

Upcoming Events

Coffee with Parents

- Friday, August 31st
- 8:15 AM in the LGI
- A time for your parents to meet with WHS counselors to talk about college and career planning and the admission process
- An invite will go out to all senior parents soon



Upcoming Events

PSAT Day for grades 9-11

- Wednesday, October 10th
- Seniors should plan to be out of the building that day
 - College Visits—plan ahead and make an appointment. This day will be busy day for college visits and tours.
 - Job Shadowing
 - Other options will be available
 - More details will be forthcoming

The Application Process: Roles and Responsibilities

- **Student's Role**

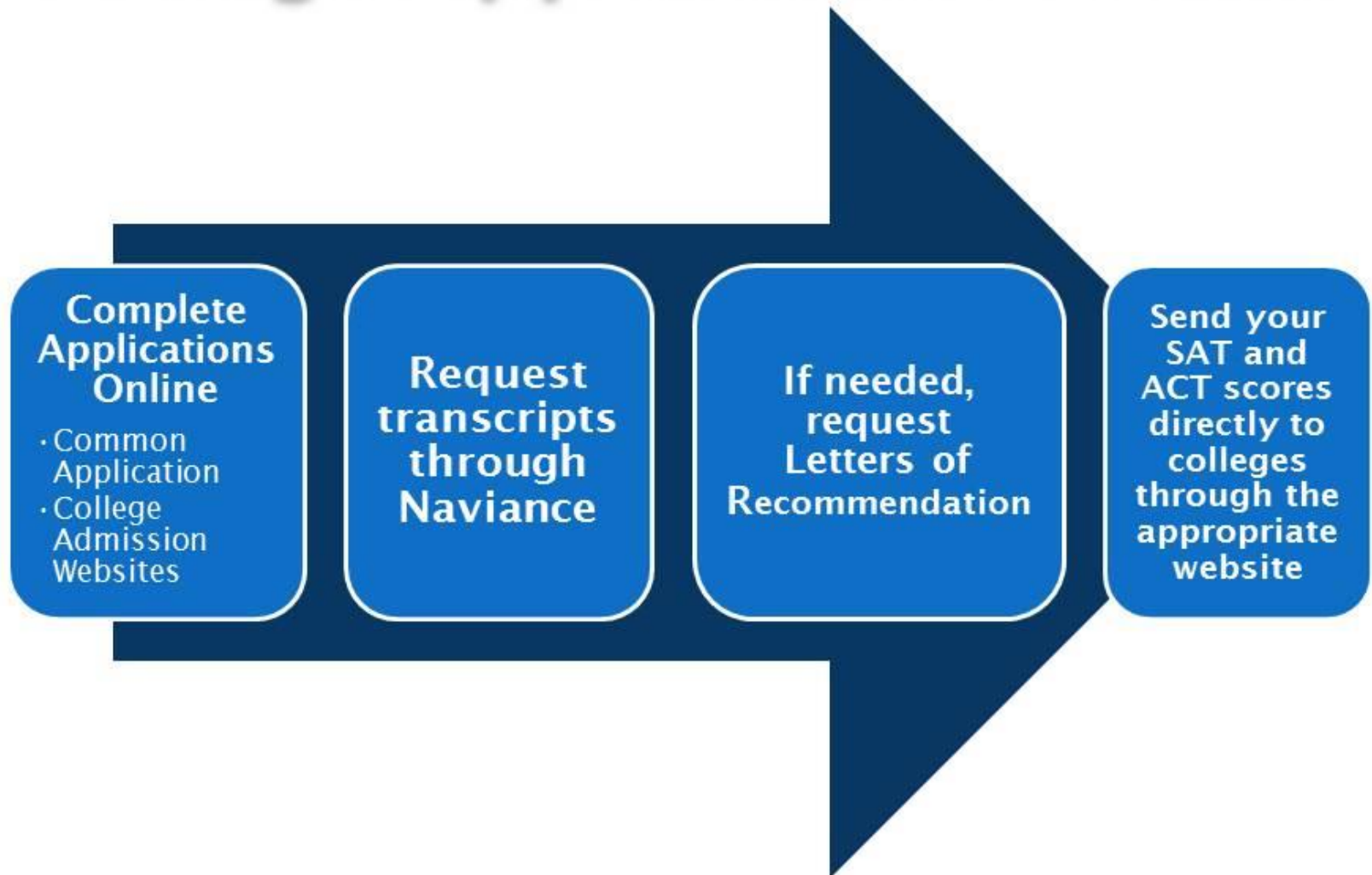
- Seek counselor for assistance
- Narrow your College Choices
- Review and understand application procedures
- Complete applications and required forms
- Use Naviance to request transcripts
- Complete and send all necessary required college admission tests (SAT/ACT)

*** MEET ALL DEADLINES!! ***

The Application Process: Roles and Responsibilities

- **Counselor's Role**
 - Advise on college choices
 - Coordinate the admission process
 - Submit transcripts when requested
 - Write Letter of Recommendation upon request
 - Advocate in the student's best interest

College Application Process

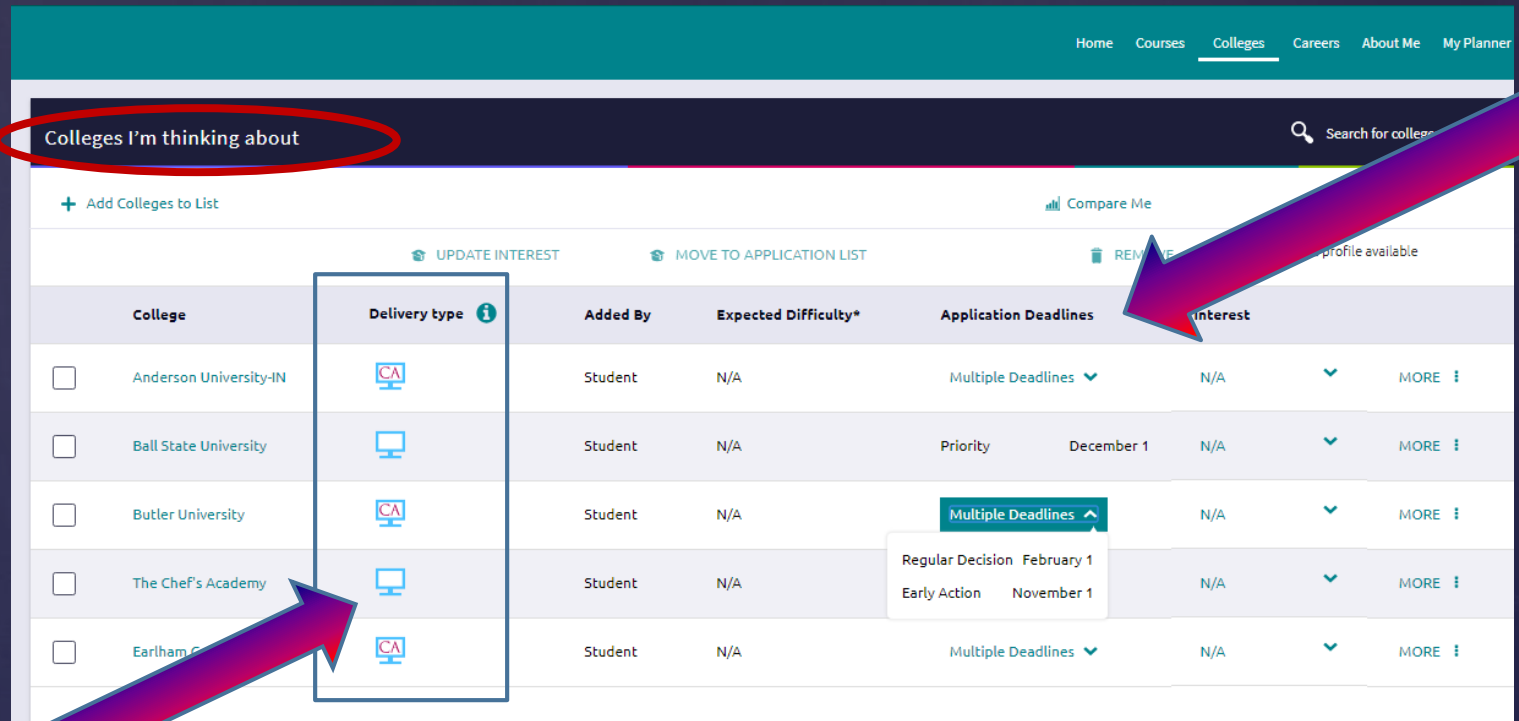


Naviance and College Applications

Application Deadlines

Common App?

Or
Online App
through
College
Website?



College	Delivery type	Added By	Expected Difficulty*	Application Deadlines	Interest
<input type="checkbox"/> Anderson University-IN	CA	Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Ball State University	CA	Student	N/A	Priority December 1	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Butler University	CA	Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> The Chef's Academy	CA	Student	N/A	Regular Decision February 1 Early Action November 1	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Earlham College	CA	Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines	N/A

Know your deadlines, and if you are submitting an application through Early Action, Early Decision or Regular Decision.
Meet all deadlines!!

Common Application

- Can be used to apply to multiple colleges and universities. About 450 colleges accept the Common App. www.commonapp.org
- Many colleges require a **Common App Supplement**
- Some colleges—such as Purdue and Notre Dame—use the Common App exclusively, while others may have an application on their website in addition.



Which App Should I Use?

Use Common App	Use App on College Website
If a college uses the Common App exclusively, like Purdue or Notre Dame, then you should use Common App for any other colleges that are also Common App	If a college is not part of the Common App program, such as Ball State or Indiana State
If you are applying to multiple schools that use the Common App	If most of your colleges are not Common App, and you only have one that uses both Common App/Online App


College List	Accepts:	Then Use:
Purdue	Common App	Common App
IU	Common App/Website App	Common App
Butler	Common App/Website App	Common App


College List	Accepts:	Then Use:
University of Southern Indiana	Website App	Website App
Ball State	Website App	Website App
Butler	Common App/Website App	Website App

College List	Accepts:	Then Use:
University of Southern Indiana	Website App	Website App
Franklin College	Common App/Website App	Common App
Hanover College	Common App/Website App	Common App
University of Indianapolis	Common App/Website App	Common App

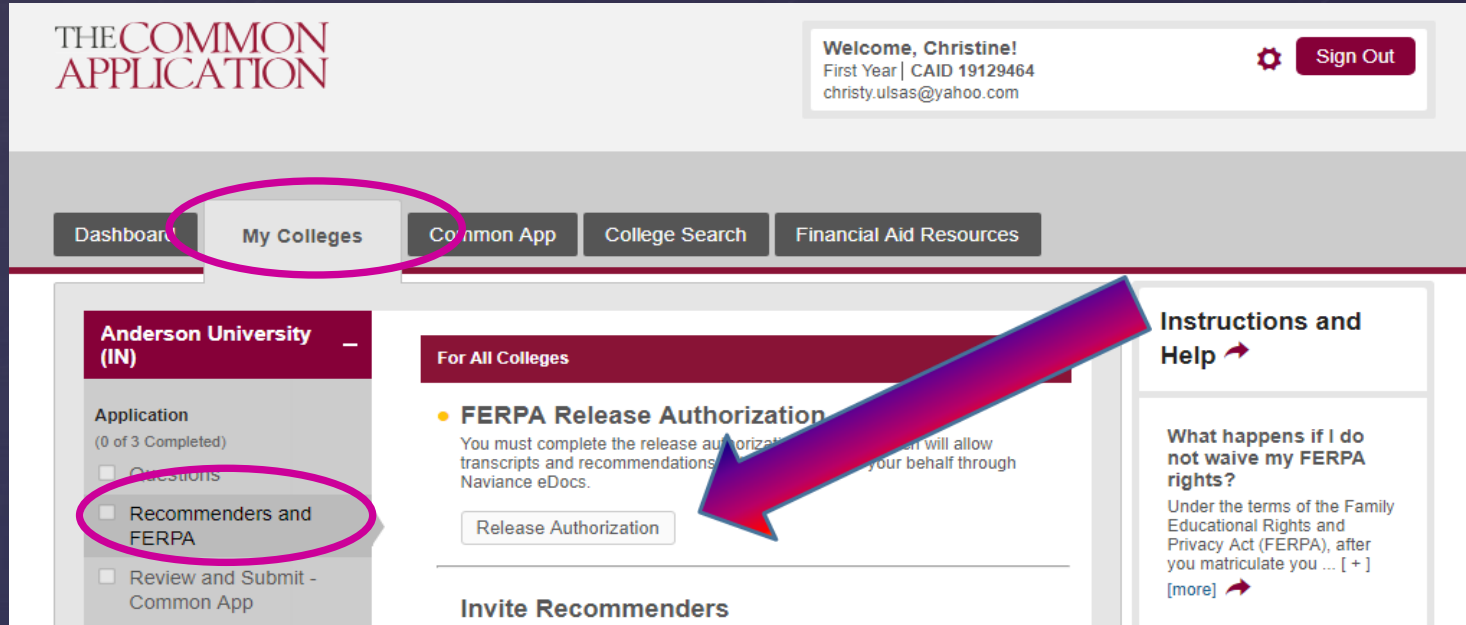
Common Application Process

- 
- Register with Common App
 - www.commonapp.org

- 
- Enter your HS information
 - Add at least one college to the My Colleges Tab
 - Sign the FERPA Release by clicking on *Recommenders and FERPA*


- 
- Complete the Account Matching Process in Naviance
 - Found in the “Colleges I’m Applying To” Section
 - Use Common App email address and Date of Birth

Signing FERPA and Common App Matching



[Click Here to Watch a Video on Signing your FERPA Release and Match Your Common App to Naviance](#)

Common Application Process

- 
- Be sure all colleges are added to the “Colleges I’m Applying To” List
 - Request Transcripts in Naviance in same section
 - Request Letters of Recommendation

• Students MUST submit their Common Apps online before we can send their transcripts and letters of recommendation.

• **Common App will not allow our information to go ahead of the student’s application.**

More Common App Info

- Common App asks for Class Rank and Size:
 - Class of 2019 has 540 students
 - WHS does not rank its students

Common Application Workshops

- Tuesday, Sept. 11 or Thursday, Oct. 11
- 6:00-8:00 PM in the LGI
- Bring your laptop and be ready to work on your Common App
- Sign up will be emailed soon

Website/Online Applications

Complete the Online
Application on the College's
Admission Website



Add to "Colleges I'm Applying
To" and Request Transcripts in
Naviance



Request Letters of
Recommendation in Naviance
if Needed

Adding Colleges and Requesting Transcripts in Naviance

Colleges I'm applying to

Search for colleges

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

Manage Transcripts Application Milestones Compare Me



Cancel

Add New College Application

STEP 1

STEP 2

Add Application

Request Transcript

Which college are you applying to?

Bradley University



Colleges already in your application list would be unavailable for selection.

App type

Early Action



I'll submit my application

Direct to the institution



I've submitted my application

Add Application

ADD AND REQUEST TRANSCRIPT

When Will Transcripts be Sent?

Only When Requested in Naviance, and
Your Application is Marked “Submitted”

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.

Manage Transcripts Application

* = extended profile available

College	Type	Deadline	Expected Difficulty*	Transcripts	Office materials	Submission Type	Application
<input type="checkbox"/> Bradley University	EA	Early Action	- N/A	requested	Pending		Submitted ▼
<input type="checkbox"/> Simpson College	RD	Regular Decision	- N/A		Pending		Submitted ▼

COLLEGE APPLICATION DEADLINE	DUE DATE TO REQUEST TRANSCRIPT, COUNSELOR FORM (ESSR) AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION VIA NAVIANCE
November 1	October 1
November 15	October 15
December 1	November 1
December 15	November 15
January 1	December 1

Your Deadlines to Request
Transcripts and Letters of Rec

Transcripts will be
sent out beginning
August 30th

Counselor Letters of Recommendation

- If a college or university requires a letter of recommendation from a counselor:
 - Complete the Letter of Recommendation Packet Page and all components by October 1st
 - **Hard copy of Packet Cover Page must be turned in to your Counselor**
 - Resume can be completed in Naviance or a hard copy can be turned in with packet cover page
 - Complete the Letter of Recommendation Worksheet in Naviance
 - Found in My Planner/Tasks Assigned to Me

Complete and Turn in By October 1st!

**Westfield High School
Letter of Recommendation Packet**

Deadline: October 1

Any student requiring a Counselor Letter of Recommendation must complete this packet by the deadline above. Please print legibly when completing this packet and return to the WHS Counseling Center.

The amount of effort that you put into this document will reflect the quality of information that your counselor can put into your letter of recommendation.

Student Name _____

Email Address _____

Counselor _____

Your Completed Packet Must Include:

____ Letter of Recommendation Worksheet

☐ Hard copy attached

☐ Completed survey in Naviance

____ Resume

☐ Hard copy attached

☐ Completed resume in Naviance

____ Student/Parent Signatures

Please list colleges to which you are applying that require a counselor letter of recommendation. Letters of recommendation will not be sent to the colleges until your application has been marked as "submitted" in Naviance/Colleges I'm Applying To.

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____

I have read and understand all of the information included in this packet. I waive my right to access my counselor letter of recommendation and/or my secondary school report at any time (including after my graduation). If you have any concerns about this waiver, please contact your school counselor directly.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Completed Packet is Due to the Counseling Center No Later than October 1

- Letter of Rec Worksheet found in Naviance under My Planner/Overview
- Then go to Tasks Assigned to Me
- Take the Survey. Short answer questions about you



Naviance | Student

Home Courses Colleges Careers About Me My Planner

My Planner

MY PLANNER Overview

Goals

To-dos

Tasks

Overview To-Do List **Tasks Assigned to Me**

Letter of Recommendation Worksheet

Status: Overdue

DUE Sunday, Oct 01, 2017

To complete this task, you need to take this survey

Task information

Requirement: RECOMMENDED

To-Dos

No to-dos to show

Recent Updates

No Updates



- Letter of Rec Packet
- Found in Naviance Document Library and Counseling Center
- Due Oct 1st with Parent Signature



Resume Builder in Naviance

Naviance | Student

Home Courses Colleges Careers About Me

About Me

CU

Christy Ulsas

Class of 2019

Account Resume Test scores Portfolio

• Found in *About Me*

Resume

Add/Update Sections Print/Export Resume

Cancel Add Objective More tips

TIP:
Your resume objective should provide a short, simple and clear statement about the kind of position you wish to obtain.

Objective

To be admitted to a selective university to study nursing, and receive my BSN degree.

ADD

Cancel Add Education More tips

TIP:
Include coursework related to your job objective, apprenticeships, workshops or seminars.

School:
Westfield High School

Location:
Westfield, Indiana

Degree / Grade Level:
12

Start Date:
August 2015

End Date:
Month Year

☒ To Present

Description / Comments:
Will be graduated on May 30, 2019

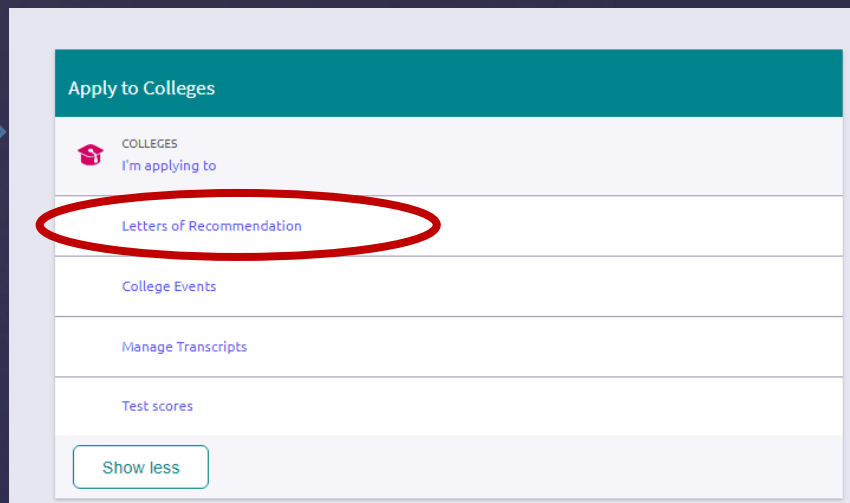
ADD

• Add
Sections
and
Update
Resume
Here

Teacher Letters of Rec

- If a college or university requires a letter of recommendation from a teacher:
 - First, request the letter in person.
 - Give teachers a minimum of FOUR WEEKS--if not longer--to complete.
 - Provide Teacher with the same Letter of Recommendation Packet, including:
 - Resume
 - Letter of Rec Worksheet
 - Request Letter in Naviance
 - Follow up with Teacher
 - If it has been several weeks, or a deadline is approaching, talk to them!
 - Write them a formal thank you note.

Submitting a Letter of Recommendation Request in the Applying to Colleges Section



Letters of recommendation

Add new request

Here you can ask a teacher to write you a letter of recommendation. If you don't have any colleges in your list yet, you may still make a request. Make sure you give your teachers plenty of time to write your recommendations!

[Cancel](#) [Submit Request](#)

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

Amiss, Suzanne

2. Select which colleges this request is for:*

☒ Choose **specific** colleges from your *Colleges I'm Applying To* list

	Colleges +	Due +
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ball State University -- required / -- allowed / 0 requested	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Butler University -- required / 3 allowed / 0 requested	Nov 01 2016
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DePauw University -- required / 1 allowed / 0 requested	Nov 01 2016
<input type="checkbox"/>	Georgetown University -- required / -- allowed / 0 requested	Jan 10 2017
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Purdue University-Main Campus -- required / 1 allowed / 0 requested	

☐ All current and future colleges I add to my *Colleges I'm Applying To* list

3. Include a personal note to remind your recommender about your great qualities and any specifics about your request:

Mrs. Amiss,

Thank you so much for writing my letter of recommendation!



- Select teacher from drop-down
- Choose which colleges you would like letter sent to
- Include a personal note to the teacher
- Submit Request

Sending Standardized College Entrance Tests

- Students must send all SAT and/or ACT scores directly to the colleges through their College Board or ACT accounts
- If you still need to take an SAT or ACT, schedule them for early this Fall.
- Students on Free/Reduced Lunch can take one free SAT and ACT per school year.
 - See your counselor for a waiver.
 - College application fees can be waived for Free/Reduced



Sending Standardized College Entrance Tests

- If you are signing up to take an SAT/ACT, utilize your four free “score sends” upon registration
 - After that, sending scores will cost about \$12 per college
- **SEND SCORES AT LEAST 3 WEEKS PRIOR TO THE COLLEGE ADMISSION DEADLINE**
 - Rush reporting of scores will cost you more money and can still take a few days



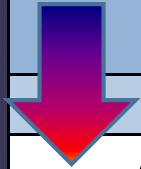
Preparing for College Entrance Tests

- The College Board and ACT websites offer free online test preparation—take advantage of it!
 - Khan Academy partnering with College Board for SAT Prep.
 - Link it with your PSAT results for personalized prep
 - ACT: www.act.org/testprep/
- Selective colleges may require SAT Subject Tests
 - Visit: <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search>
to see if your college recommends or requires Subject Tests

Last date to take exam
before most Early
Admission Deadlines.

SAT

www.collegeboard.com



TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	LATE FEE REGISTRATION
August 25, 2018	July 27, 2018	August 15, 2018
October 6, 2018**	September 7, 2018	September 26, 2018
November 3, 2018	October 5, 2018	October 24, 2018
December 1, 2018	November 2, 2018	November 20, 2018
March 9, 2019	February 8, 2019	February 27, 2019
May 4, 2019**	April 5, 2019	April 24, 2019
June 1, 2019	May 3, 2019	May 22, 2019

** Westfield HS is an SAT Test Administration Center on October 6, 2018 and May 4, 2019

WHS CEEB Code: 153-735

Last date to take
exam before most
Early Admission
Deadlines.

ACT

www.actstudent.org



TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	LATE FEE REGISTRATION
September 8, 2018	August 10, 2018	August 26, 2018
October 27, 2018	September 28, 2018	October 14, 2018
December 8, 2018	November 2, 2018	November 19, 2018
February 9, 2019	January 11, 2019	January 18, 2019
March 12, 2019	*ACT School Day at WHS. Class of 2020 Only	
April 13, 2019	March 8, 2019	March 25, 2019
June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019	May 20, 2019
July 13, 2019	June 14, 2019	June 24, 2019

*Registration will be done through the Counseling Center and not on the ACT website. More info will be emailed to juniors in November.

WHS CEEB Code: 153-735

NCAA Eligibility Center

- Any student wishing to play NCAA Div. I or II athletics in college must:
 - Register online at www.ncaaeligibilitycenter.org
 - Request high school transcripts through the NCAA Eligibility Center website
 - Send SAT/ACT scores to NCAA through appropriate testing websites, just like you would send to a college
 - NCAA Code: 9999

Check out the NCAA *Guide for the College Bound Student Athlete* for more eligibility information.

Meeting Deadlines

- In order to meet all admission deadlines:



Submit
Applications &
Transcript
requests 4 weeks
prior to deadline

Submit
Counselor
Letter of
Rec Packet
by
October 1

Send your
SAT/ACT scores
three weeks
before admission
deadline

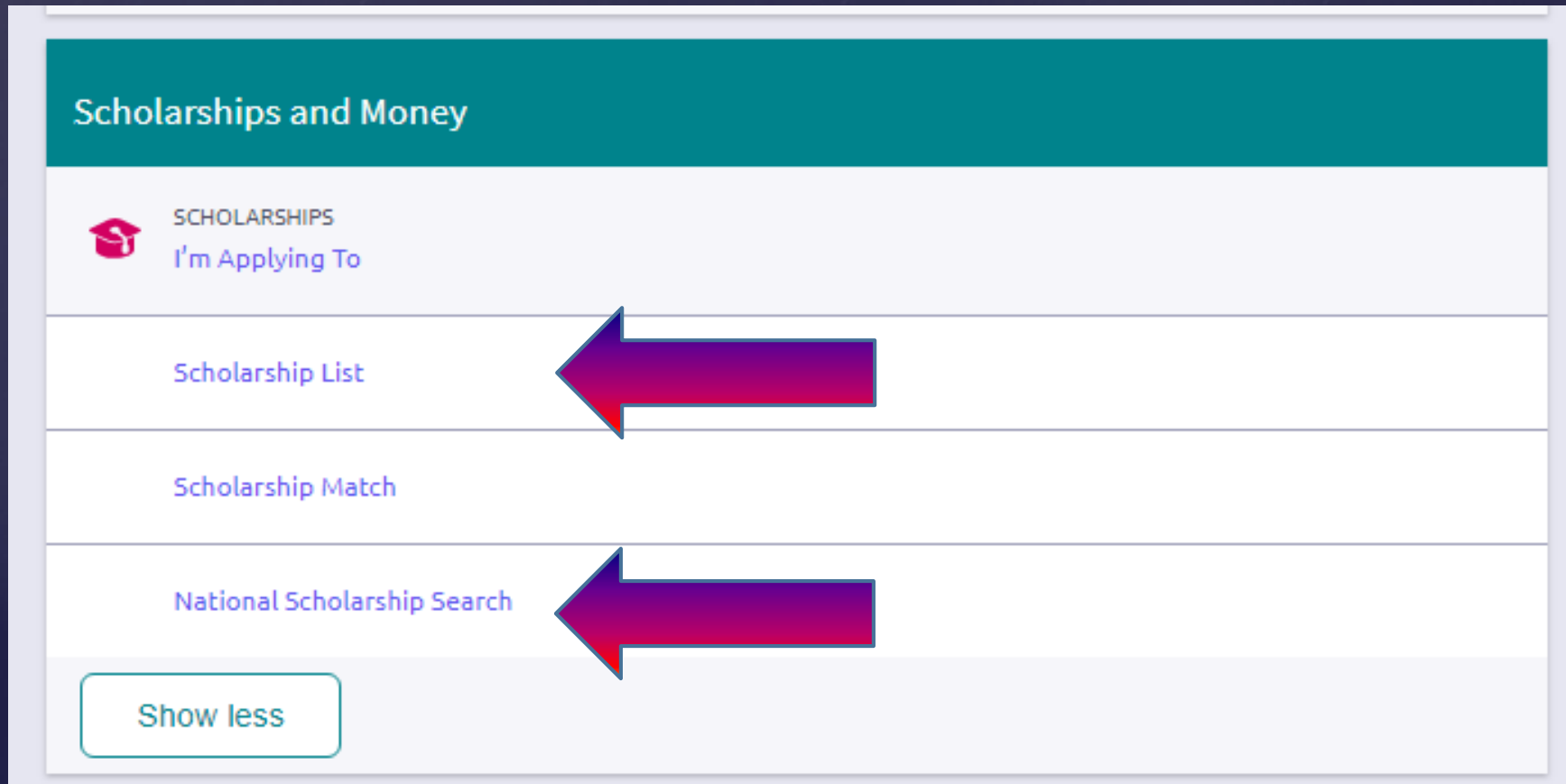
If needed,
request Teacher
Letter of
Recommendation
4 weeks prior to
deadline

Scholarships



- Scholarships opportunities abound through:
 - Colleges and Universities
 - National Scholarship Programs
 - Local Organizations and Businesses
- **School Counseling Center**
 - List Updated Throughout the Year on Naviance
- **Naviance National Scholarship Search**

Finding Scholarships on Naviance in the Colleges Section



Upcoming Scholarships

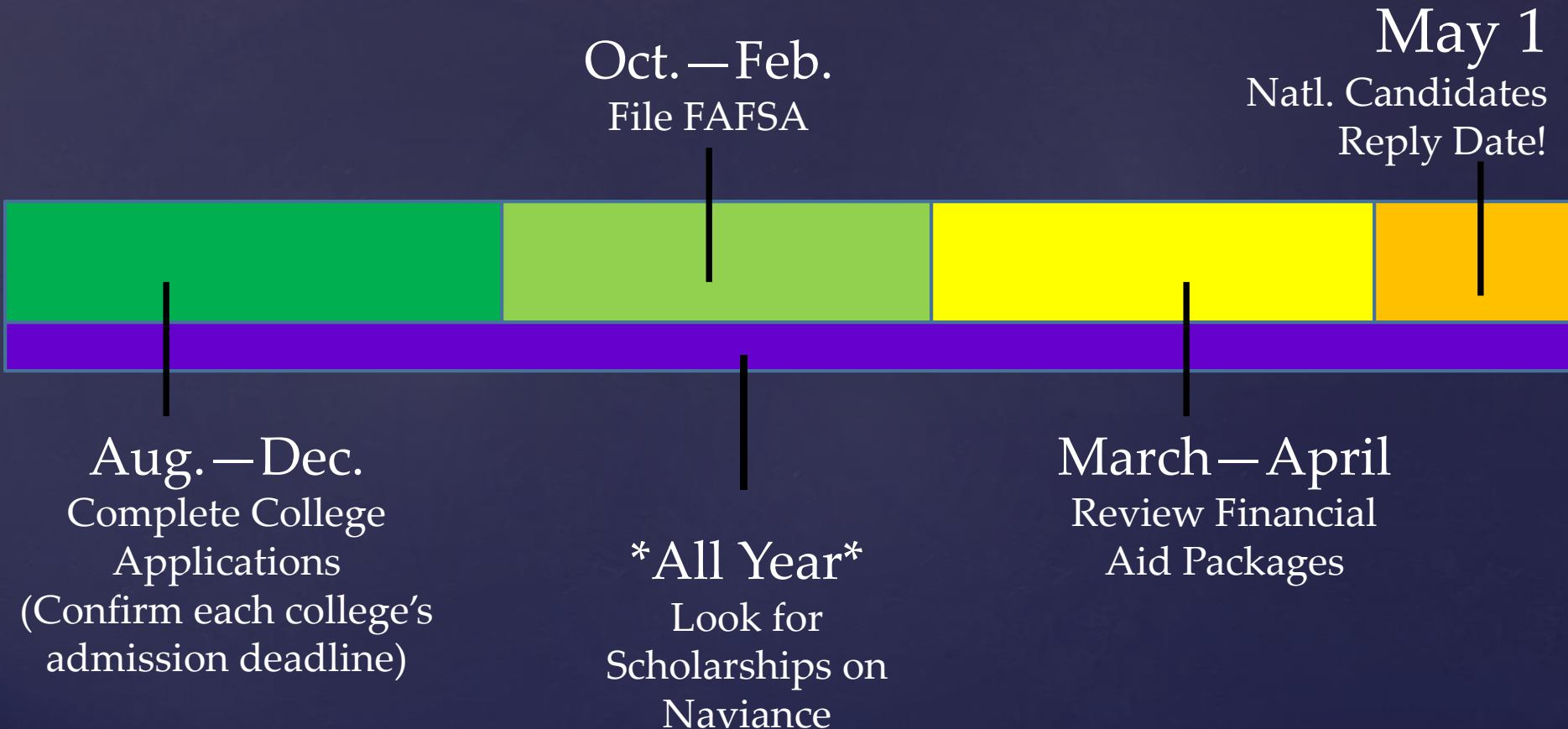
- **Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship**
 - Full tuition to any college in the state of Indiana
 - Academics, community service and financial need taken into consideration
 - **Applications in Naviance and due to the Counseling Center by Monday, Aug. 13th!**
- **Indiana University Wells Scholarship**
 - Full tuition, room and board, and fees for four years
 - Can include a year of Study Abroad
 - Applications and information will be available on Naviance very soon
 - On average, a Wells Scholar has a 3.9 GPA along with strong test scores
 - **Applications in Naviance due to the Counseling Center by Friday, August 31st.**
- **Westfield Education Foundation and Westfield Athletic Booster Club Scholarships**
 - A wide variety of scholarships available
 - Application packet available in Late Winter/Spring

Financial Aid

- Need-based Financial Aid Consists of:
 - Grant Assistance
 - Student Loans
 - Work-Study
- All Families Should Complete the FAFSA to be considered for Need-based Aid
 - Can be completed starting in October 1st
 - Indiana state colleges deadline is March 10. Private and out-of-state schools may have earlier deadline.

College Goal Sunday: October 28th!
A FAFSA Completion Workshop

Time Line of the Senior Year



Final Thoughts

Be sure your email address is up-to-date in Naviance.

Again, meet **ALL** deadlines and don't procrastinate!

Naviance is where it's at!

Senior year **DOES** matter!
Work hard & keep your grades up. It's not just about getting in; it's also about being **PREPARED**.

The School Counseling Center and college admission counselors are here to help you—take advantage of the resources available to you.