

Patchogue-Medford High School

# 23-24 Senior Parent Night

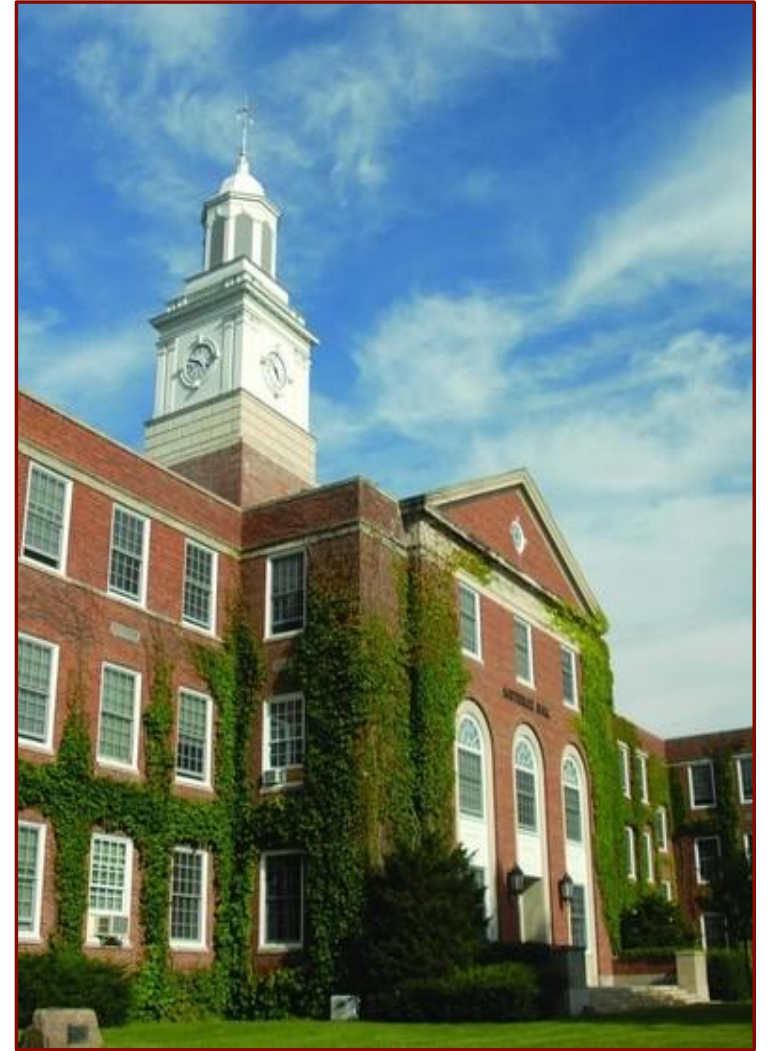




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# College... So many choices...How do I decide?

- *Major/Academic Program*
- *Academic Requirements of the College*
- *Size*
- *Location*
- *Distance*
- *Personal Factors*
- *Visit the Campus*





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# Naviance and College Applications

- **Student applies to colleges**

*CA \* SUNY \* Institutional \* SCCC \* Coalition  
counselor may help you decide which is best for you to use*

- **Student enters colleges in NAVIANCE**

*For Common App Schools: Students will match the account with  
Naviance*

For Non-Common App Schools: Students must enter each college manually

- **Student requests transcripts/teacher recs in NAVIANCE**

- **Student monitors progress in NAVIANCE**

- **Student records outcomes & requests final transcript for chosen college in NAVIANCE**



**NAVIANCE**

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# Points to Consider...



- **Use same Name & email in NAVIANCE & college apps**

*Use only full legal name*

- **Common Application (CA) applications automatically sync in NAVIANCE via Matching Process**

*See video tutorial on matching in NAVIANCE*

- **PMHS Authorization to Release Records required**

Please visit the [www.pmschools.org](http://www.pmschools.org) / High School / Counseling Department / Naviance

- **Students using Common Application must complete the FERPA Waiver**

*Family education rights and privacy act*

*We recommend you waive your right to access*

- **Students are responsible for sending SAT/ACT/AP scores to colleges through appropriate organization**
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Colleges tab- Select  
“Colleges I’m applying to”

Make Common App account  
first, then match in Naviance

The screenshot shows the Naviance website interface. At the top, the 'Colleges' tab is selected in the navigation bar. A red banner message states: '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.' A pink 'Match Accounts' button is located to the right of this message. Below the banner, a green box contains a message: 'Your parent/guardian must give you consent for you to request transcripts. Contact your counseling office if you think this is a mistake'. A blue '+ Manage Transcripts' button is visible. At the bottom, a table header is partially visible with columns: College, App Type, Deadline, Expected Difficulty\*, Transcripts, Office Materials, Submission Type, and Application. Annotations with arrows point from text boxes to specific elements: one points to the 'Colleges I'm Applying To' header, another points to the 'Match Accounts' button, and a third points to the green transcript consent message.

Naviance Home Self-Discovery Careers **Colleges** Planner

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

Your parent/guardian must give you consent for you to request transcripts. Contact your counseling office if you think this is a mistake

Manage Transcripts Compare Me +

Remove

College App Type Deadline Expected Difficulty\* Transcripts Office Materials Submission Type Application

Students should complete...not parents!

# Transcript Release Form

## Offerings Brochure

- 8th Grade Transition Night
- + Program of Studies 2023-2024
- Psychologist Contact Information
- Social Worker Contact Information
- Naviance
- NCAA Eligibility & COVID-19
- Transcripts
- SCCC Beacon Transcripts
- Testing Information



## SAT & ACT Test Preparation

Patchogue-Medford High School partners with Method Test Prep to provide free test preparation for all students. Log into your NAVIANCE account for more information. January update - Check your NAVIANCE account for info about our Test Prep Course to be offered at PMHS beginning in February...

Excelsior Scholarships are now available to NYS students attending college... Check your child's Naviance page for information on this new opportunity to attend college, tuition-free, at any SUNY campus.

## Authorization to Release

### Authorization to Release Records

The link above will take approximately 4 minutes to complete.

Please visit the [www.pmschools.org](http://www.pmschools.org) / High School / Counseling Department / Naviance

# Adding Colleges to Naviance

## Colleges I'm Applying To

Search for Colleges



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Match Accounts

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Manage Transcripts

Compare Me



Remove

✦ = extended profile available

College that I'm Attending:

N/A

Update

Letters of Recommendation

Some colleges require letters of recommendation to be submitted with your application. Please visit the [letters of recommendation section](#), accessible from the main colleges page, for more information

If using Common App, match accounts.

If using SUNY App or applying directly via College's website, use "+" sign.





# Non-Common App Schools

STEP 1

STEP 2

Add Application

Request Transcript

Which college are you applying to?

Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY

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

App Type

Regular Decision - Spring 2024 term - Spring 2022 - **Deadline Nov 1**

I'll submit my application

Via Common App

Are you planning to submit your SAT or ACT scores to be considered during the admission review process? ⓘ

Undecided

☒ I've submitted my application

Add Application

ADD AND REQUEST TRANSCRIPT

- Enter school and search
- Indicate app type
- Method of application
- Planning to submit SAT/ACT scores?
- Submitted?
- Add and request INITIAL transcript

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STEP 2

Add Application

Request Transcript

What type of transcript are you requesting?

☐ Initial

☐ Final

Where are you sending the transcript/s?

☒ Stony Brook University

Request and Finish

# Updating Naviance

Manage Transcripts Compare Me

+ Request Transcripts Remove

+ = extended profile available

College	App Type ⓘ	Deadline	Expected Difficulty*	Transcripts	Office Materials	Submission Type ⓘ	Application
<input type="checkbox"/> + Stony Brook University	Regular Decision - Spring 2024 - Spring 2022	Nov 1	N/A	Requested	Pending	CA	Submitted ▾ EDIT More ⋮
<input type="checkbox"/> + Suffolk County Community College	Rolling	Apr 1	N/A	Requested	Pending		Unknown ▾ EDIT More ⋮

- Students MUST update using the “EDIT” button to indicate results of applications.

## Stony Brook University (NY)

Have you submitted your application?

☒ I've submitted my application


Division

N/A

I'll submit my application

☒ Via Common App

☐ Direct to the institution

Are you planning to submit your SAT or ACT scores to be considered during the admission review process? 

Undecided


College Deadline

11/01/2023

Counselor Override

Not Applicable

Save College Application

App Type 

Regular Decision - Spring 2024 term - Spring 2022 - Deadli... 

Result

Unknown

☐ Waitlisted

☐ Deferred

Interest

N/A

Format

N/A

- Choose "Result" from drop down menu for each application and save before June 1<sup>st</sup>!
- Choices include:
  - Accepted
  - Denied
  - Withdrawn
- Do not choose other options\*
- Every school students apply to MUST have a result.

College that I'm Attending:

N/A

N/A  
Stony Brook University  
Suffolk County Community College  
Letters of Recommendation

Update

Manage Transcripts Compare Me

Request Transcripts Remove

What type of transcript are you requesting?

☐ Initial

☒ Final

Where are you sending the transcript/s?

No Preference

Request and Finish

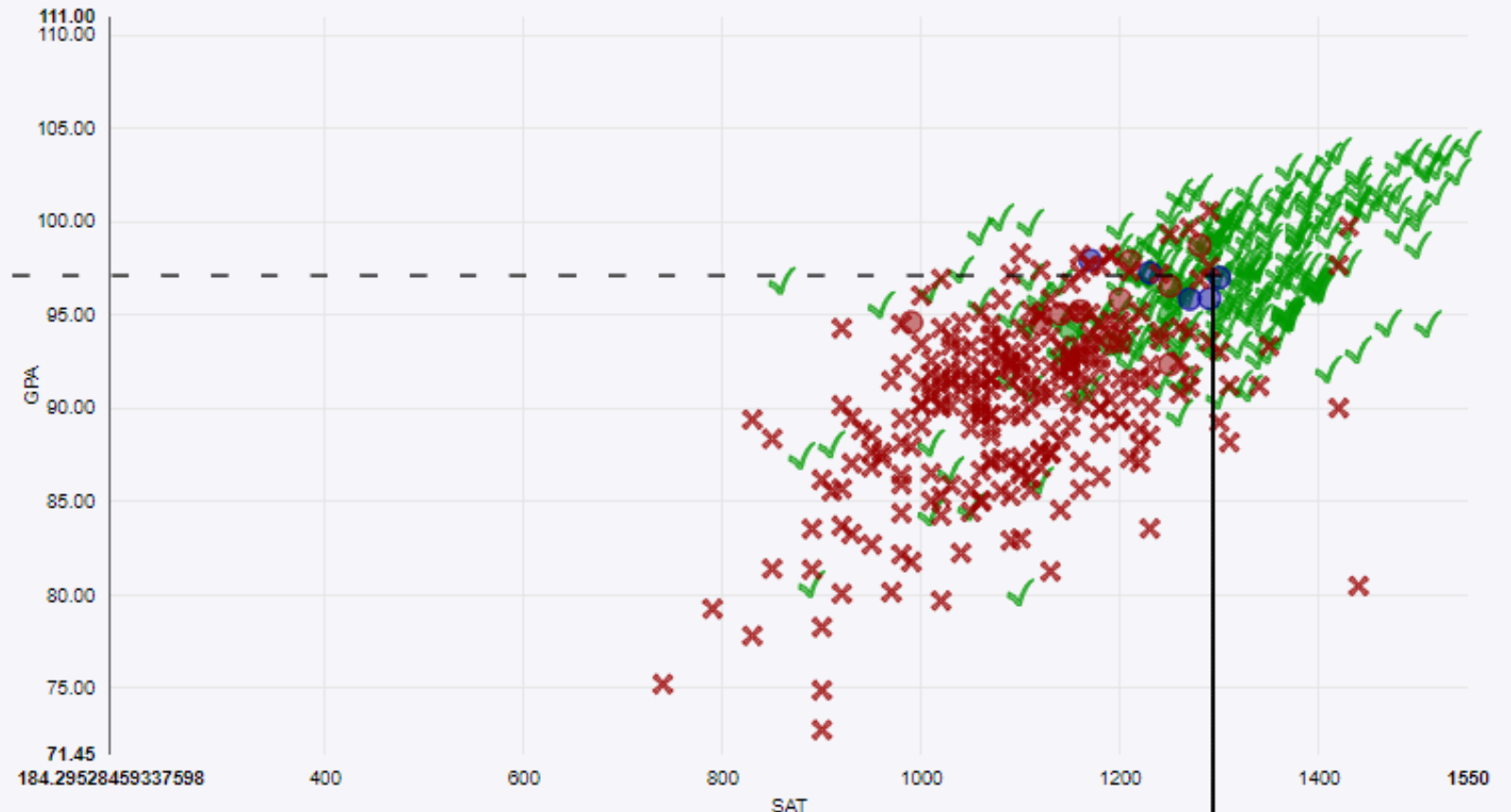
- Choose the college that you have decided to attend from the dropdown box and then click “Update”
- Go to “Request Transcripts” and select FINAL transcript to be sent to your attending school



- Colleges tab-  
Colleges Home-  
Search School-  
Admissions
- Any college that  
had previous  
students apply from  
Patchogue Medford  
will have a  
scattergram

## Scattergrams | Applications for Patchogue-Medford High School i

Comparing Weighted GPA with SAT (1600) ▾



**Legend**

You	Accepted	Waitlisted/Accepted	Waitlisted/Unknown	Waitlisted/Denied	Denied
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# Letters of Recommendation

- Process Overview – how to request PMHS Teacher Recommendations?
- Non-PMHS Recommendations
- How many? Why?
- Can I see the recommendations?
- When should I ask for them?
- What happens if I delay my request?
- Be careful when making your request...



# Letters of Recommendation...

Home

Self-Discovery

Careers

Colleges

Planner

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College Home

Find Your fit

SuperMatch College Search

College Events

Scattergrams

Advanced College Search

College Lookup

Research Colleges

Colleges I'm Thinking About

College Visits

College Compare

College Resources

Acceptance History

Enrichment Programs

College Maps

Apply to College

Colleges I'm Applying to

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Test Scores

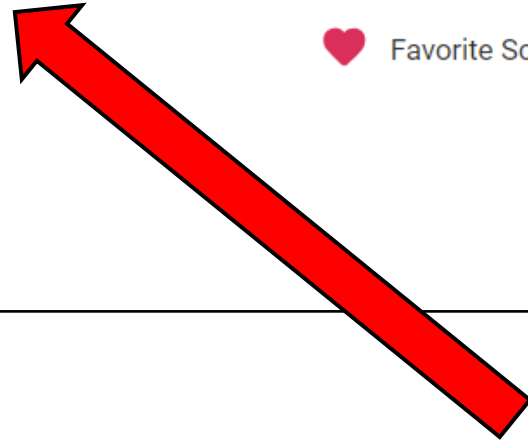
Scholarships & Money

College-Specific Scholarships

National Scholarship Search

Scholarship Search

Favorite Scholarships



- Click “Add Request” to search for a teacher to request a letter from.

## Letters of recommendation

### Your Requests

You can request new letters of recommendation and track the most recent status of your requests here.

Add Request

Recommendation For ^

Deadline ^

Recommender(s)

Status ⓘ

Cancel Request



Your recommendation requests will show up here.



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

Select A Teacher



2. Select the recommendation request type:\*

☐

Select All

Colleges ^

Due ^

☐

Stony Brook University

0 required / 3 allowed / 0 requested

Nov 01 2023

☐

Suffolk County Community College

-- required / -- allowed / 0 requested

Apr 01 2024

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

- Select Teacher from drop down list
- Be **CAREFUL** with your selections!

- Students must monitor this page to track teacher progress and submission status
- Status: Requested, In Progress, Submitted

Letters of recommendation

Your Requests

You can request new letters of recommendation and track the most recent status of your requests here.

Add Request

Recommendation For ^	Deadline ^	Recommender(s)	Status ⓘ	Cancel Request
Stony Brook University 0 required/ 3 allowed/ 2 requested	Nov 01 2023	Emily Rohme	Requested	×
		Kerri Silsbe	Requested	×
Suffolk County Community College -- required/ -- allowed/ 2 requested	Apr 01 2024	Emily Rohme	Requested	×
		Kerri Silsbe	Requested	×

Add Request

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# FAFSA Changes

**Projected to open in December (delayed from the usual Oct 1 open date)**

**The form will be shorter (fewer questions)**

**The language will be closely aligned with the language on income tax returns**

**The SAI (Student Aid Index) replaces the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) and contains new formulas for calculating eligibility.**

**Having multiple children in college will no longer reduce SAI, (may result in reduced aid)**

**Qualified 529 distributions from grandparents, etc. will not reduce aid**

**Education savings accounts will only be counted if designated for the specific student. (ESAs for other children won't be considered.)**

**Eligibility for the Pell Grant is expanded to families earning 225% of the poverty line (so about \$67,500 for a family of four)**

**For divorced parents, families will need to report the parent who provides the most financial support for the child (previously, they reported the parent that the child resided with more often)**

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# FAFSA Highlights

## Number of Questions

Going from 100 to roughly 30

## Name Change

Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is now known as Student Aid Index (SAI)

## Pell Grant

The maximum award is going from roughly \$6,700 to \$7,400  
There will be a reduction in award for students who are not full time

## Discount eliminated for multiple children

The amount of children in college no longer impacts aid

## Divorced Parents

It used to be that the custodial parent had to be the one on the FAFSA  
It is now the parent that provides the financial support  
If financial support is 50/50, it may default to parent with highest adjusted gross income

## Financial Support from Others is no longer taken into Consideration

If you receive a gift or 529 from a grandparent, it will no longer impact your ability to receive aid

## Income Protection Goes Up

The income protection for both parents and students has gone up

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# SAVE THE DATE!

*October 12<sup>th</sup>.*

*Only during the school  
day.*



SENIORS,  
SAVE THE DATE!  
**FALL COLLEGE &  
POSTSECONDARY  
FAIR**  
OCTOBER 12TH

## Attending:

Adelphi University	Stevens Institute of Technology
Air National Guard	Suffolk County Community College
Electrical and HVAC/R Training Center	SUNY Cobleskill
Fashion Institute of Technology	SUNY Farmingdale State College
Five Towns College	SUNY Fredonia
Florida Southern College	SUNY Geneseo
Fordham University	SUNY Old Westbury
Hofstra University	SUNY Oneonta
Hunter Business School Medford Campus	SUNY Oswego
Iona University	SUNY Potsdam
Island Drafting & Technical Institute	SUNY Purchase College
Johnson & Wales University	The LEARN Center
Keuka College	U.S. Coast Guard
King's College	UNITED STATES ARMY
LIM College	UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
Long Island University	Universal Technical Institute
Maine Maritime Academy	University at Buffalo
Massachusetts college of Pharmacy and Health Sciences	University of Connecticut
Mercy College	University of Maryland, College Park
Molloy University	University of New Haven
Nassau Community College	University of Scranton
NEW YORK ARMY NATIONAL GUARD	University of South Florida
New York Film Academy	US Air Force
New York Institute of Technology	US Army
Roger Williams University	Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology
Sacred Heart University	United States Navy
Siena College	Lasell University
St. John's University	Saint Joseph's University
St. Joseph's University	Air Force Detachment 560, Manhattan College

# Timeline of Senior Events: September



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**Review your transcript to make sure there are no errors**

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**Fill out a transcript release form and return it to the guidance office**

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**Work on completing college applications and essays**

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**If you have not done so already, ask one or two teachers for letters of recommendation through Naviance**

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**Early Decision and Early Action candidates - make sure your counselor is aware of your deadlines**

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**Register for your final SAT/ACT if needed, and send your scores through the testing site to the colleges you are applying**

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**Attend financial aid workshops**

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**Check the Guidance Newsletter for monthly scholarships and attend financial aid workshops**

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**Register with NCAA if you plan to play a Division 1 or 2 sport in college**

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**Keep your grades up! Most colleges will want to see your Senior year mid-year grades**

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*\*This is an excerpt from the “Futures” Junior Conference Booklet that can be found on the Guidance Website\**

# Timeline of Senior Events: October/ November



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**Complete your college essay and speak with your English teacher to help you review it**

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**Discuss your college plan with your counselor and finalize your college list**

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**Early Decision candidates should complete their applications**

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**Pay attention to application deadlines! Applications must be sent to your counselor two weeks prior to the deadline**

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**Early Decision and Early Action candidates - make sure your counselor is aware of your deadlines**

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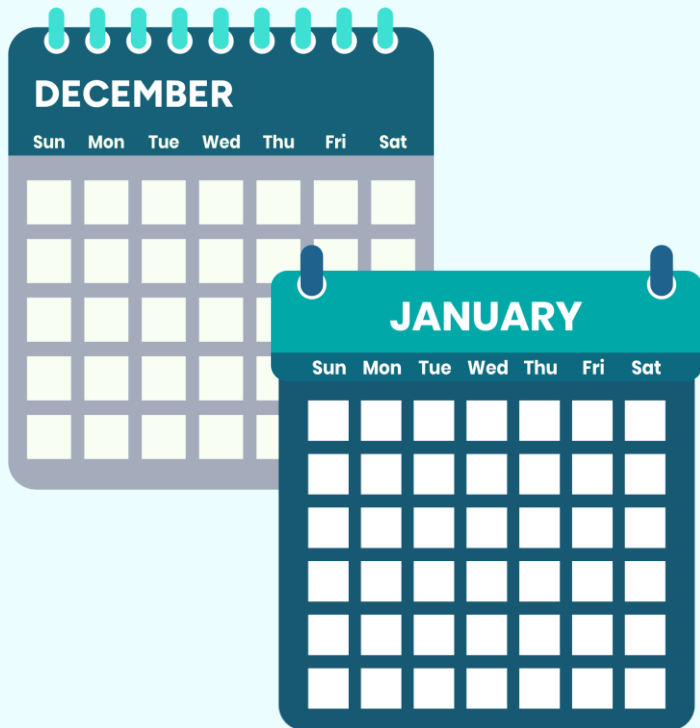
**Continue working on college applications**

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**Early Decision deadlines are as early as November 1st or November 15th!**



# Timeline of Senior Events: December/ January



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**FAFSA will be available online December 2023- complete as early as possible**

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**Complete all college applications by December 15th if possible**

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**Pay attention to December and January 1st deadlines. Notify your counselor of your deadlines**

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**Check the Guidance Newsletter for scholarship opportunities**

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**Notify your counselor of colleges that are requesting mid-year grades (for Non-Common Application schools)**

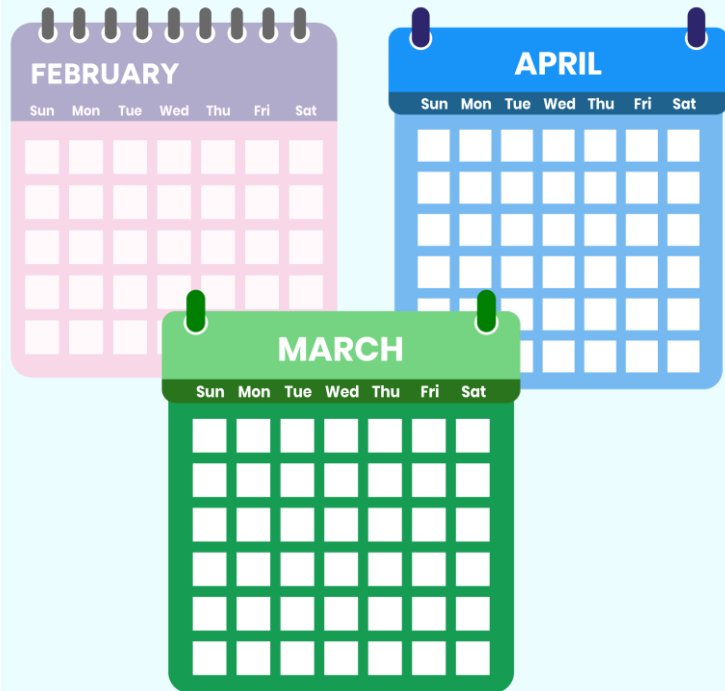
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**Get application packet for PM Scholarships & Awards**

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# Timeline of Senior Events: February/ March/April



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**Colleges will inform students of admissions decisions**

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**Keep the counselor informed of your decision of where you plan to attend!**

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**When you have decided on a school, send your deposit, and inform other schools so your spot can go to someone on the waiting list**

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**Continue to research scholarship opportunities**

# Timeline of Senior Events: May/June



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**Carefully analyze your financial aid award letters**

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**Inform the Admissions Office of the school you have decided to attend**

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**List your acceptances and denials in Naviance for ALL colleges you have applied to**

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**Request your FINAL transcript through Naviance**

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# Thank you!

This presentation will be posted on  
the district website tomorrow.

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