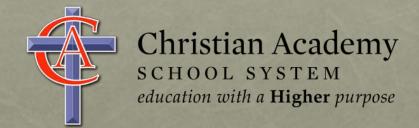
The Senior Year...



... and Next Steps



Class of 2025

Enrollment – 145

Jill Blount A-G

Chrissie Moon H-O

Renee Brown P-Z

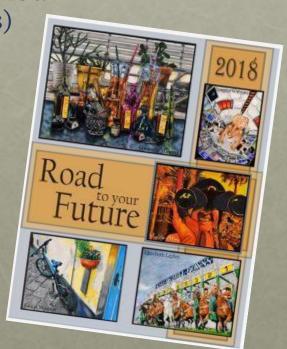
We are here to guide you through the process!

#1 Prayer, Patience & Communication

- ☐ Your love and obedience to God is more important than the *campus or journey*
- ☐ Communicate with your parents and have them tell what they can afford before you get your heart set on a particular school or undertaking
- ☐ Also discuss distance—being a long way from home can be harder on you (and your parents) than you think it will

#2 Getting Organized

- ☐ Individual student meetings with Counselors in September and October
 - Review graduation requirements
 - Individual future plans
 - Naviance
 - Do NOT sign up during a core class period (English, Math, Science, Social Studies)
 - DO make a reminder by putting the date/period on your calendar/planner
- Use an email account with appropriate address
- ☐ Use "Road to Your Future"
- ☐ Use your legal name



#3 Service Hours

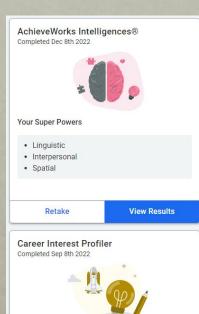
- ☐ Need 60 hours to graduate
- 2 types of hours
 - **CHURCH** Serving the <u>Christian</u> community
 - **COMMUNITY** Serving the <u>non-Christian</u> community

CHURCH	COMMUNITY	HALF/HALF	
Leading a small group in the church	Mission Trip to Nicaragua	CAL sports camp (assuming non-Christian community attendance)	
Helping with CAL events	Yard cleanup for neighbor	Vacation Bible School	
Helping with church events	Volunteering at a museum		

#4 Making Choices

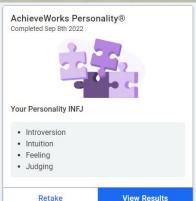
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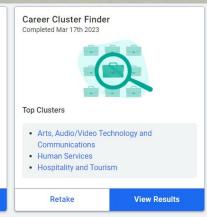


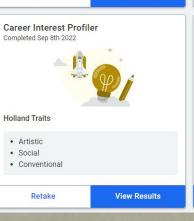


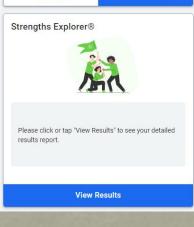


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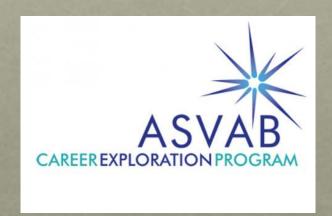




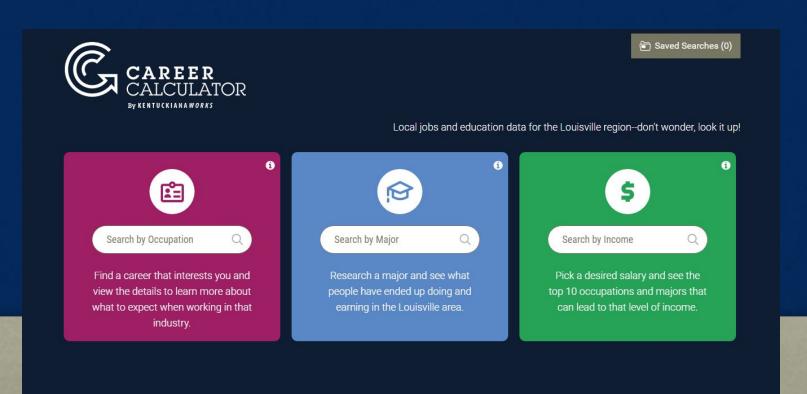
View Results

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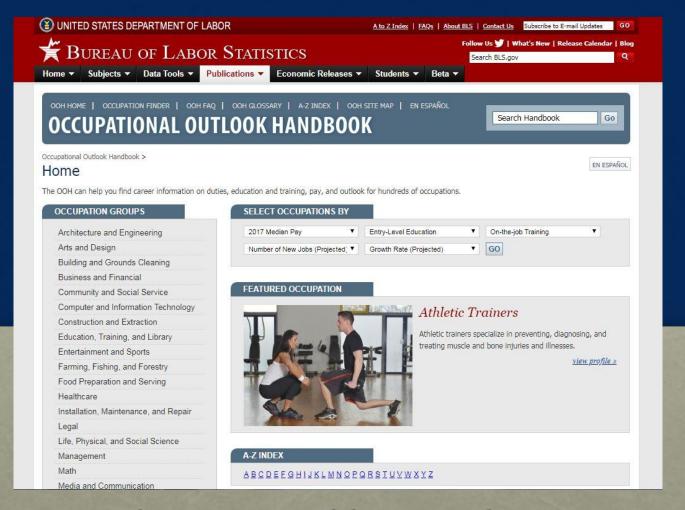


Career Calculator



OOH

Occupational Outlook Handbook



https://www.bls.gov/ooh/

GAP Year

What is it?

"A semester or year of experiential learning, typically taken after high school and prior to career or post-secondary education, in order to deepen one's practical, professional, and personal awareness."

Common Reasons for taking a GAP year:

- Burnout from competitive pressure of high school
- Desire to know more about self
- ☐ Called to serve in a special area (i.e. missions)

A gap year is a time to explore the world around and within you -- a time to get fired up about what's really important to you.

Apprenticeship

What is it?

Apprenticeship is a system for training a new generation of practitioners of a trade or profession with on-the-job training and often some accompanying study.

Apprenticeships can also enable practitioners to gain a license to practice in a regulated occupation.











Vocational and Technical Schools

- ☐ Trade schools--also referred to as a vocational school, technical school, or vocational college
- Post-secondary institution that's designed to give students the technical skills to prepare them for a specific occupation.
- ☐ Can be public or private, but many are for-profit businesses.
- Upon completion of the program, students receive a diploma or trade certificate
- ☐ For some programs students can earn an associate degree, which is the degree received from a two-year college.

















Military

The U.S. military has six branches of service:

- Army
- Navy
- Air Force
- Marine Corps
- Coast Guard
- Space Force

The requirements to join are similar for all six. The main differences are in age limits, test scores, and fitness levels. Each may have additional requirements.













Colleges and Universities

Community Colleges

Public Universities



For Profit

Liberal Arts



Special Interest (i.e. Art, Nursing, Bible)

Military Academies

















#5 Admissions Tests

- ☐ Register for ACT at <u>www.myact.org</u> and for SAT at <u>www.collegeboard.org</u>
- ☐ Take at least one of the tests TWICE. Colleges sometimes combine sub scores for scholarships (aka Superscore).
- □ 57% of students raise their score, 21% have no change, 22% of scores go down
- Check to see if the writing portion is required

#6 Visiting Colleges

- ☐ August 31-September 3 or October 5-13
- ☐ Make appointments with schools as well as departments within the college; seniors receive 2 days for visits but must provide documentation from college(s) to be excused
- ☐ A **"good fit"** is important
- ☐ The **Student** should ask the questions! Use suggestions in the "Road to Your Future."

Register for in person tours through the college website

#7 Applying for Admission

- ☐ Online applications are on college websites
- ☐ All colleges require a transcript and school profile *sent from the high school*
- ☐ Proofread the application *before* hitting submit
- ☐ CAL Profile will be updated and included
- ☐ Each state and/or college has its own requirements for admission.

Types of Applications

- ☐ Individual College Applications--apply directly to college
 - Shared Application for a System of Colleges--apply directly to college
 - May require extra component (ie. audition)
- ☐ The Common Application
- ☐ The Universal Application
- ☐ The Coalition for Access, Affordability, and Success Application

Recommendations and Evaluations

- ☐ More is not better--Colleges only want the number of recommendations for which it has asked
- ☐ Be courteous and ask the recommender at least <u>2 weeks</u> before the due date—PLEASE
- ☐ Counselors require parent and student questionnaires to be completed before writing recommendations

Talk with your counselor BEFORE asking a teacher

Questionnaires

All students must have their questionnaires (and their parents) must be completed before letters of recommendation can be written. Forms are found by clicking on the "documents library" link on the Naviance Student home page.



What do colleges look for in an application?

- ☐ Academic Rigor (Including senior year)
- ☐ Cumulative GPA (Grades in all courses/levels)
- ACT and SAT Test Scores
- ☐ Recommendations (Teacher and Counselor)
- ☐ Community service, work and extracurricular activities, internships, summer enrichment and outreach programs
- ☐ Leadership, Special Talents/Skills, Honors, Awards, Essay and/or Writing Samples Interviews (if required)

Other Criteria Considered

Overcoming Personal Adversity PERSONAL BACKGROUND Language Spoken at Home/ESL Alumni Connection Frequent Moves/Many Different Schools Cultural Awareness/Experiences Demonstrated Interest in the College – First Generation Good Match Low-economic background Strong Personal Statement **Underrepresented Minority GEOGRAPHIC CONSIDERATIONS** Personal Disadvantage In-State vs. Out of State/Country Resident Professional Diversity From State or School with few or no previous applicants Faculty/Staff Connection Economically Disadvantaged Region Military Veteran/Peace Corps, America Corps, etc.

#8 Deadlines

School	Application Deadline	Early Action	Scholarship
Asbury University	Rolling		ebruary 1
Bellarmine University	Rolling	mber	ecembe
Cedarville University	Rolling		April 15
Centre College	Jar 15	Dev Jer 1	uary 15
Georgetown College	Rd 19		February 1
Mize (OH)	Febru 1	December 1	With Application
Murray State Unive	Rolli		January 15
Vorthorm tucky Univ	ling	October 15	January 15
Samford University (L)	December 15		December 15
Taul	April 1	November 1	December 1
Transylvania University	February 1	December 1	December 1
Union University (TN)	Rolling	December 1	December 1
University of Kentucky	February 15		December 1
University of Louisville	February 15		January 15

These dates are EXAMPLES...make sure you check!

Early Decision

- Early decision involves a **BINDING DECISION** to enroll of accepted you will have to attend that school regardless of other offers and without knowing any financial aid package that may or may not be offered.
- ☐ Students may only apply to one school through Early Decision, and if accepted, must withdraw applications to all other schools.
- Early Decision offers a slight advantage of acceptance colleges usually accept a higher percentage of applicants than those that apply for regular decision.
- Early Decision is a good option for admissible students with LOW FINANCIAL NEED who have a clear first choice school all others should be very CAUTIOUS!!!

Early Action

- ☐ Entails no commitment to enroll and therefore offers little advantage for admission.
- ☐ Early Action students, however, are often first in line for merit scholarships and housing.
- Competition in Early Action pools at highly selective schools is generally tougher than in the regular decision pool.
- Some Early Action colleges now ask that students apply early only to their institution, however, you may still apply regular decision to any other institution

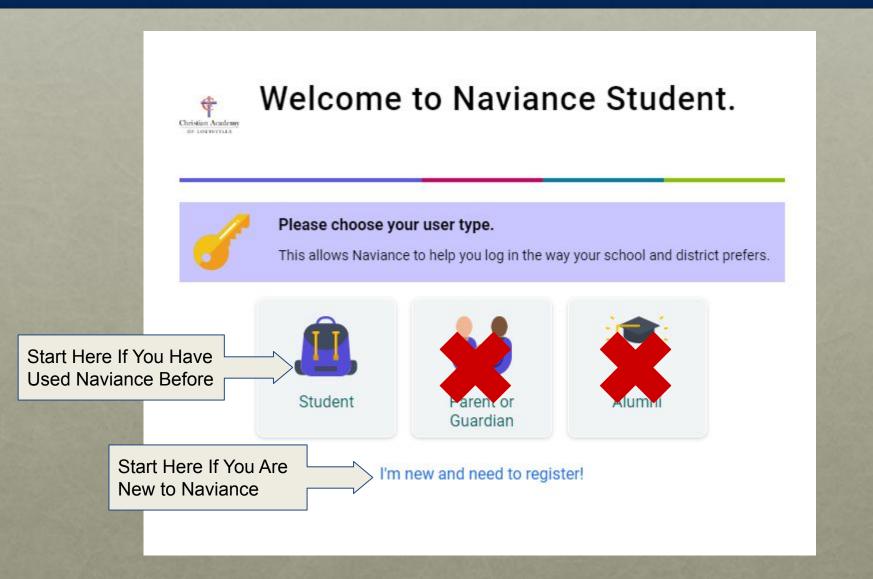
Rolling Admissions

- ☐ Colleges that use rolling admissions accept students who meet their entry requirements as they receive applications.
- Usually accept students from September until July.
- ☐ Students receive a notice of acceptance 2-3 weeks after they submit their application and all supporting documents.
- As the college fills up its slots for the freshman class, it can become more selective in who is accepted.
- □ Rolling Admissions colleges may award some financial aid at the same time they are admitting students so the amount of available financial aid may dwindle at the end of the admissions process.

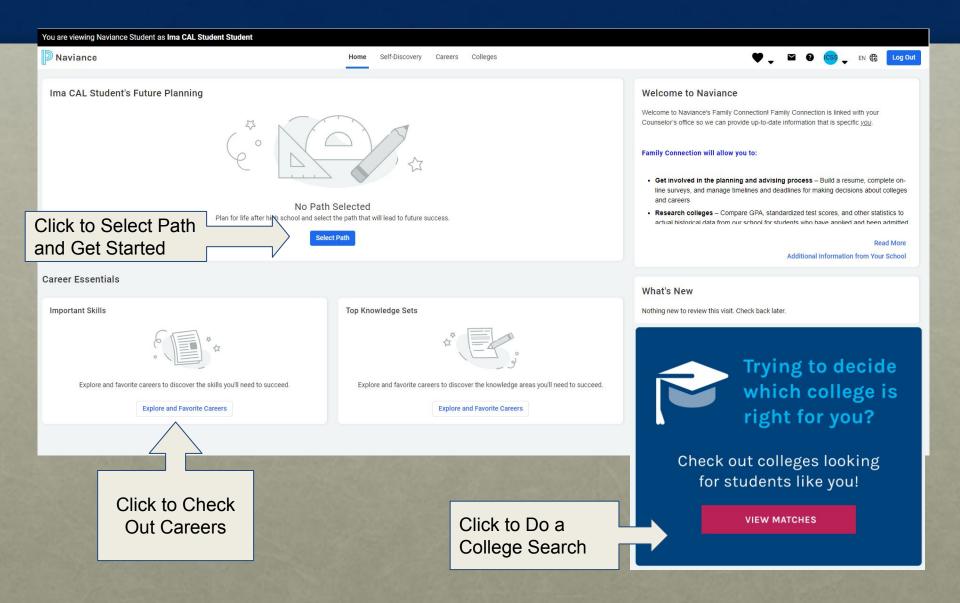
#9 Naviance

- ☐ Go to <u>www.caschools.us</u>
- ☐ Click on "English Station"
- ☐ Hover over "High School"
- Menu will appear
- Scroll down and click on
- "High School Counselor"
 Click on NAVIANCE

Naviance-Login



Naviance-Home Screen





Select what you plan to do after high school

There are 8 choices!

Select Path

X

O College: Associate's Degree

Earn an associate's degree or certificate in two years or less by attending a two-year community college or junior college.

O College: Bachelor's Degree

Earn a Bachelor's degree in four years by attending a four-year private or public college or university.

Career Education or Trade School

Enroll in a short-term training program at a career or vocational-technical college and earn a certificate or associate's degree for an industry such as health care, cosmetology, and plumbing.

O Apprenticeship Program

Enroll in an apprenticeship to get on-the-job training with classroom instruction and mentorship that leads to a skilled trade or profession.

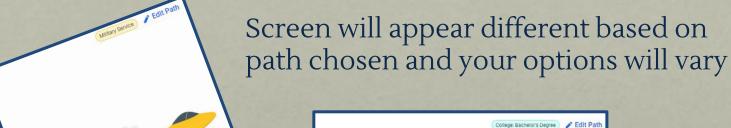
Military Service

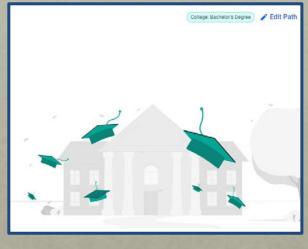
Enlist in a branch of the U.S. Armed Forces right after high school or join after college by enrolling in a Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program.

Employment

Enter the job force right after high school to develop work skills and learn on the job without any formal training or education.

Undecided

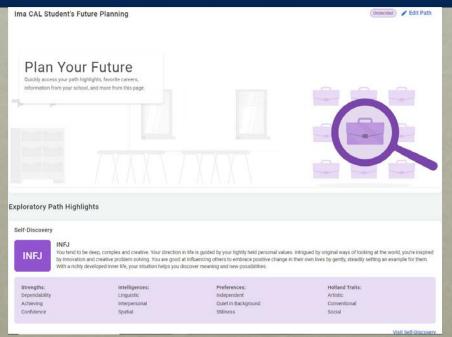


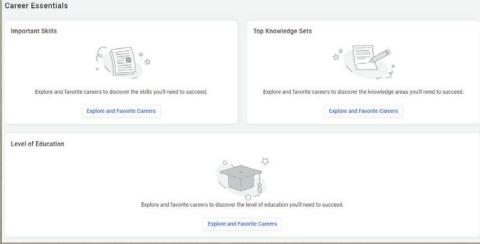






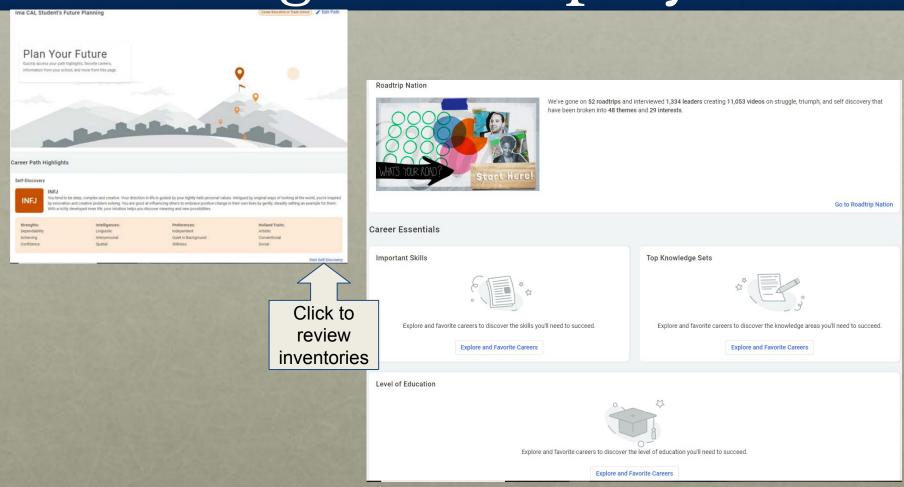
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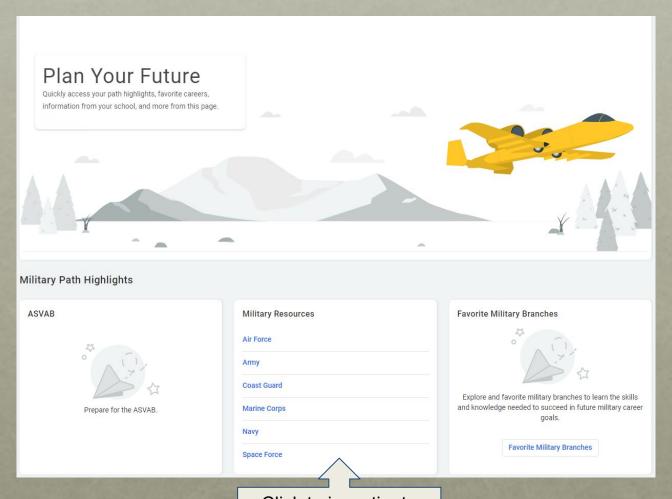
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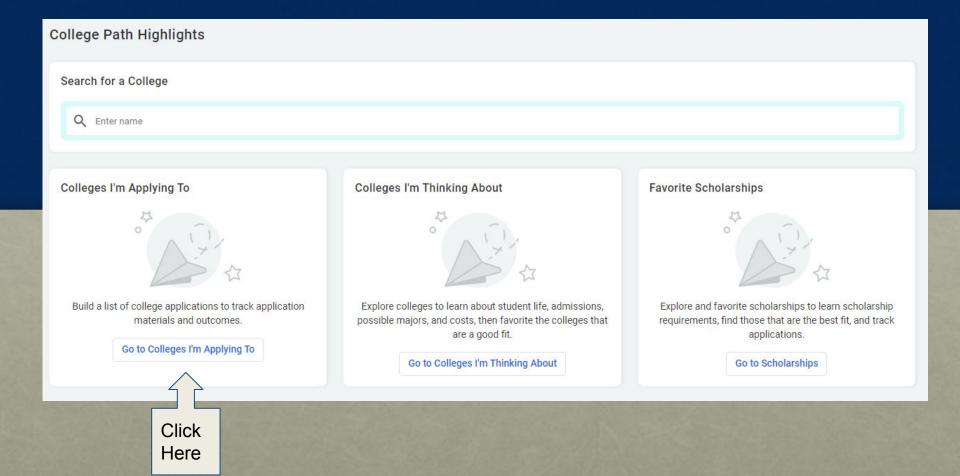
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Naviance-Military



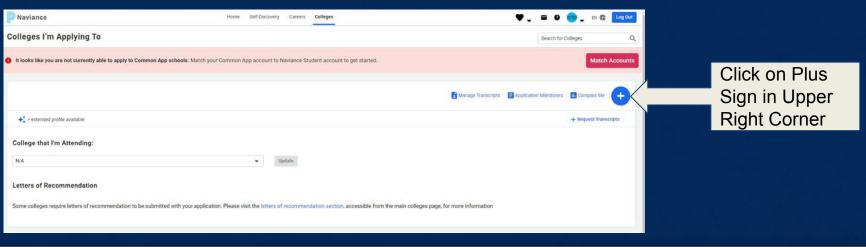
Click to investigate the different branches

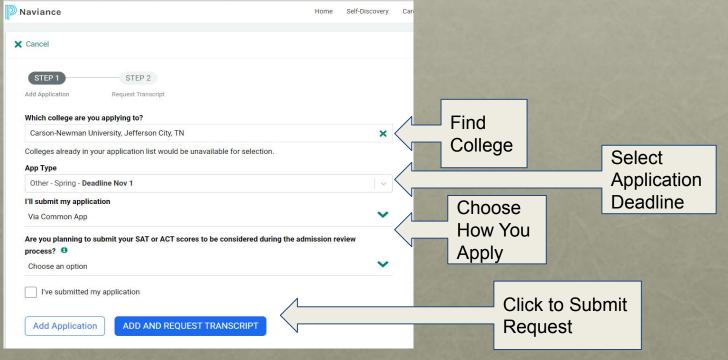
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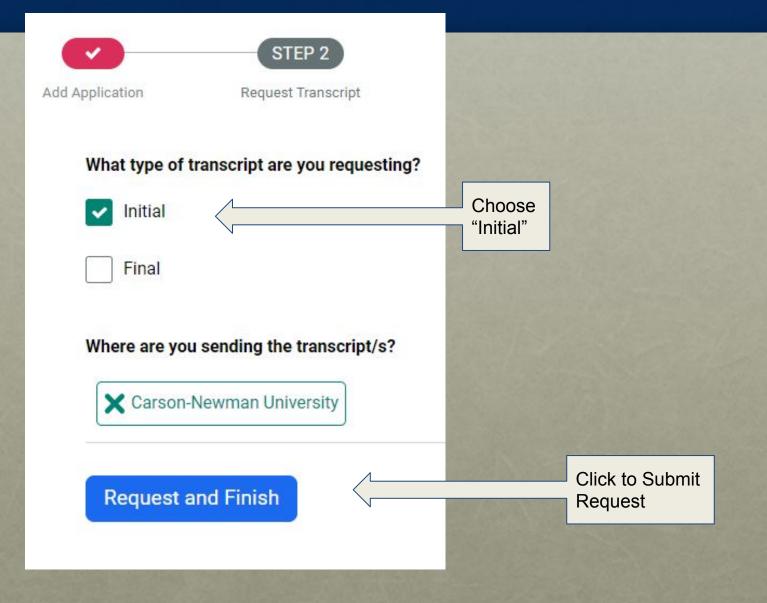
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Requesting Transcripts

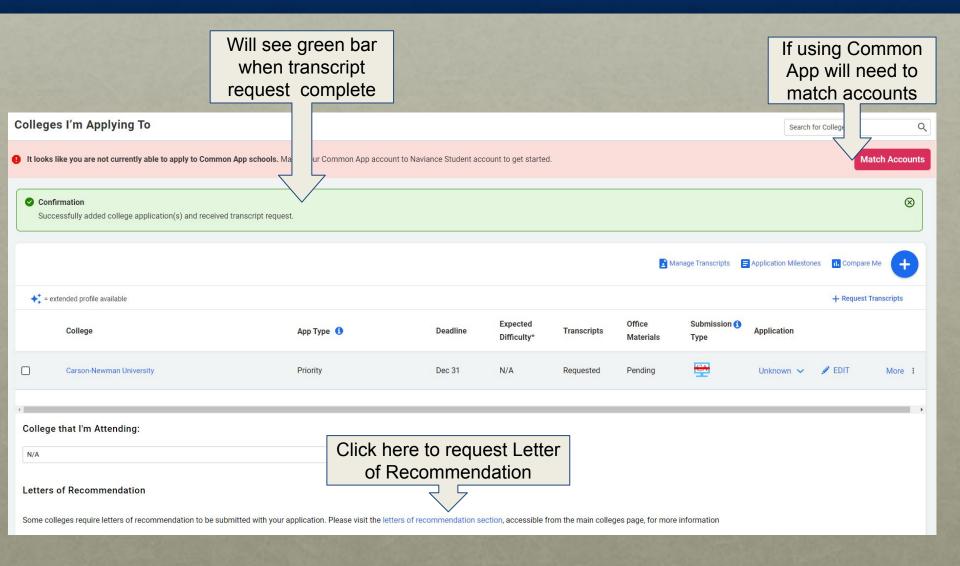




Requesting Transcripts



Common App and Recommendations



Recommendations

Letters of recommendation

Your Requests

Recommendation For *

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

Deadline *

Click here to select teacher and school

Recommender(s)

Add Request

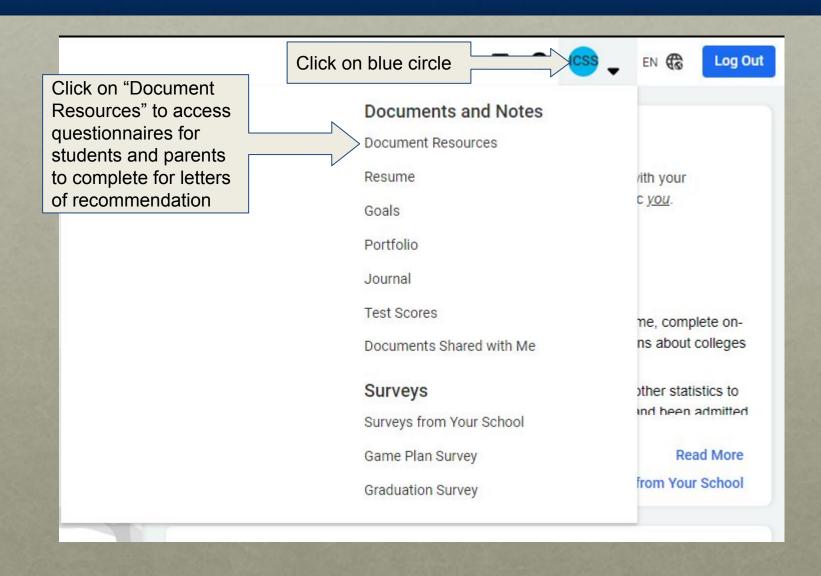
Cancel Request



Your recommendation requests will show up here.

Add Request

Naviance-Questionnaires



What should you do if you get a email from the college saying they have not yet received your transcript?

- ☐ Don't panic! Wait a few days to call or email the college to see if they have received it.
- Great reason not to wait until the deadline...
- ☐ Early is good!

#10 Financing College

- □ SCHOLARSHIPS—From two sources:
 - Colleges 90%
 - Independent 10% (i.e. Community Foundation of Louisville, Rotary Club, Papa John's, KY Farm Bureau, etc.)
- going merry Talk to the Financial Aid office at the College
- Search online, www.fastweb.com
- Check daily announcements
- Apps <u>"Scholly"</u>
- Going Merry one application for many scholarships https://www.goingmerry.com/





FAFSA

July 1st

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form to apply for financial aid for college

www.fafsa.ed.gov or https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa



KY Work Ready Scholarship



- Earn up to 60 hours of college credit for FREE
- Can earn certifications in as little a 4 months
- Must complete the FAFSA to be eligible

https://workreadykentucky.com/

#11 Communication

- ☐ When contacting the college, **YOU** need to be the one to email or call.
- ☐ Email is the *best* way to communicate with counselors at CAL.
- Check daily announcements regarding scholarships
- ☐ Check your email!!!!

#12 College Athletics

- ☐ Register with respective athletic associations:
 - NCAA Clearinghouse online at <u>www.ncaa.org</u>
 - NAIA at www.naia.org
 - NCCAA at http://www.thenccaa.org/
- ☐ Make sure your coach knows you would like to play in college.
- ☐ Make sure to tell your counselor. You **must** meet NCAA requirements for high school credits; *these requirements are not negotiable.*

Our Mission

The mission of Christian Academy School
System is to develop students with a heart
for God who grow as Jesus did in wisdom,
stature, and in favor with God and men.
Luke 2:52

education with a **Higher** purpose