

COLLEGE APPLICATION INFORMATION

College applications are generally submitted in the fall of the senior year. Students are responsible for checking application deadlines for their particular programs and colleges. We encourage students to apply early and to several different colleges. Final decisions can be made in the spring after they receive their financial packages.

Helpful Hints

Application

- Follow the instructions carefully and double check that the information is correct and in the right place
- Promote yourself! Write about all of your involvements even if they seem insignificant to you
- Request that your high school counselor send your official transcripts to the colleges to which you are applying

Essay

- If you are required to write an essay as part of the application process, take time to make it your best work
- Your essay may be used by a scholarship selection committee
- Use all that you have learned in writing classes to make your essay stand out
- Proof-read

References and Recommendations

- If you are asked for a reference, choose someone who knows you and can identify your strengths
- Ask your teachers politely if they will help you by completing a recommendation and provide them with the instructions or form
- Make certain that your portion of the forms are filled out completely and accurately
- Provide the appropriate teachers with stamped, college-addressed, envelopes
- Give your references at least one full week to write

Follow up

- If you do not receive an acceptance letter from the college(s) to which you applied, contact the admissions office
- Try to make a decision by May 1st as to which college you will be attending
- Participate in any summer orientation programs for incoming freshmen