SENIOR STUDENTS & THEIR PARENTS COLLEGE INFORMATION NIGHT

Wednesday, October 16, 2013

<u>PURPOSE</u>

Provide information on Naviance

Discuss where your son or daughter should be in the college application process

Completed selection of colleges

Through this process you should have considered:

- School size (small, medium, large)
- Geographic location
- Private vs. Public (cost factor)
- Academic programs offered
- Extracurricular activities available
- Other services offered
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VISITING COLLEGES

You should:

Tour various campuses

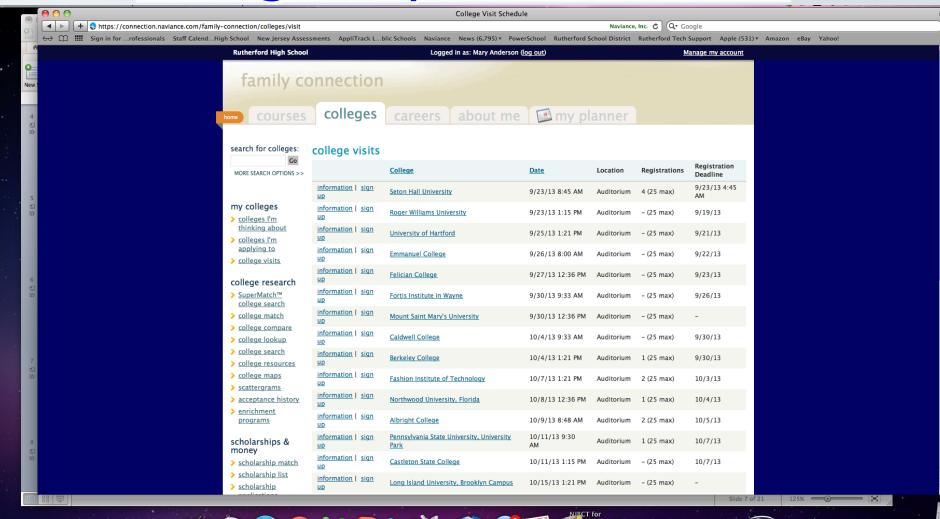
Looking at:

- Library facilities
- Residence halls
- Campus security
- Dining facilities
- Campus setting
- Athletics/Recreational facilities
- Consider student for a day
- Arrange for an interview if necessary
- Follow up with a thank you
- Used the chart on page 30 Junior Booklet to compare schools and then to narrow down your choices.

RHS on-site decision

Bergen Community College New Jersey City University NJIT Kean University

College Rep Visits at RHS



NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE

- Organization that reviews high school transcripts to ensure students have met the academic requirements that enable them to participate in Division I or II college athletics.
- Division III schools have no academic requirements and do not offer athletic scholarships.
- Clearinghouse forms must be completed during the student's junior and senior year. Forms should be completed online (<u>www.ncaaclearinghouse.net</u>)
- Provide counselor with a transcript request form
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SAT/ACT Dates

SAT

- www.collegeboard.com
- October 5, 2013
- November 2, 2013
- December 7, 2013
- January 25, 2014
- March 8, 2014
- May 3, 2014
- June 7, 2014

<u>ACT</u>

- www.actstudent.org
- October 26, 2013
- December 14, 2013
- February 8, 2014
- April 12, 2014
- June 14, 2014

APPLICATION PROCESS

- The Application paper or online
- The Transcript
- The Essay
- Extracurricular Activities
- Recommendation Letters
- Junior Booklet page 20

TIMELINE

- Finalize list of colleges to apply to NOW.
- Begin filling out applications if you have not started.
- Request letters of recommendation NOW if you have not done so.
- If necessary, get your portfolio/audition tape together.
- **Be Aware of Deadlines!**
- Junior Booklet pages 4 7

Counselor will:

- Prepare and send official transcript
- Send a copy of school profile
- Complete a letter of recommendation
- Complete and send secondary school report form
- Submit mid year report if requested by the student
- Submit any supplemental forms requested by the student

In Naviance Student Will:

- Complete the student brag sheet
- Create a resume of activities, honors, and work experience
- Request/ monitor letters of recommendation
- Request transcripts following deadlines

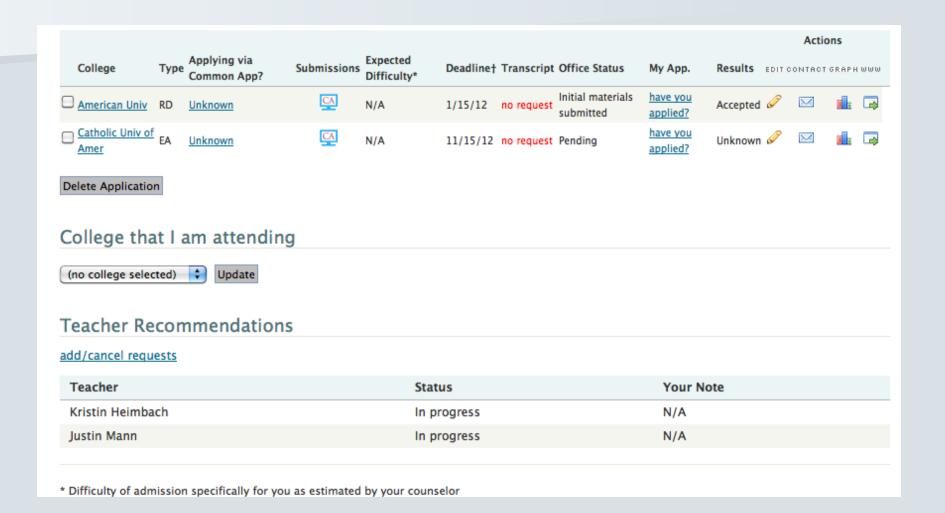
Student Brag Sheet

<u>resume</u>	* = required question Please save your answers periodically if you need longer than one hour to complete this form. Your session will expire after one hour if you have not changed the page.
game plan	
<u>documents</u>	
<u>journal</u>	*1. I would describe myself as a person who:
survey history	
ficial things:	
profile	
inbox	
account	
test scores	
	*2. Choose 5 adjectives that best describe you.
irveys to take:	
graduation survey	
student brag sheet	
senior exit survey	
rvey history	
	*3. Which of these adjectives is the most important?

FERPA

- Complete in Common Application once colleges are added to Common App
- Found under Recommenders

Letters of Rec and Transcripts



Student Will:

- Return a signed Grade 12 Records Release Form (green)
- Return yellow card after reviewing unofficial transcript
- Provide the counselor with an addressed 10 X 13 envelope with 4 stamps for each school that does not accept electronic submissions
- Contact testing agency to have scores sent to the schools in which they are applying.

FAFSA

- FREE Application for Federal Student Aid
- Student & parent apply for PIN now
- www.fafsa.ed.gov
- Available after January 1
- Attend Financial Aid Workshop at Rutherford High School on November 20.

Mark Your Calendar

Financial Aid Night November 20, 2013

FAFSA released January 1, 2014

<u>REMEMBER</u>

- Transcript requests must be submitted through Naviance by the deadline date
- If a college does not accept electronic submissions, the student must provide the counselor with a stamped, addressed envelope.
- College Board will send SAT scores directly to colleges only <u>at your request</u>
- CEEB/ACT code 311340
- Apply for PIN with FAFSA
- Review Guidance web page and Naviance for scholarship and college rep visit information
- Student athlete complete Clearinghouse form

USEFUL RESOURCES

- www.collegeboard.com
- www.collegeboard.com/sat
- www.actstudent.org
- www.fafsa.ed.gov
- www.fastweb.com
- www.collegeanswer.com
- www.collegeboard.com
- www.princetonreview.com
- www.rutherfordschools.org

CLICK ON Rutherford High School and then the Guidance tab

Junior Booklet

The College Application Process requires a **TEAM EFFORT!** See your counselor if you have any questions or concerns! If you have not started, **GET STARTED!**