

Junior Prep for Senior Year

Some college applications open as early as Sept. 1, 2018! Don't wait until the first day of your senior year to start! Follow this checklist and get started today!

☐	Know your Naviance Login by <i>June 23, 2017</i>
☐	Add colleges or programs to your list by <i>August 1, 2017</i>
☐	Not sure? Take Cluster Finder Survey by <i>September 1, 2017</i>
☐	Complete the Brag Sheet Survey by <i>September 1, 2017</i>
☐	Create account at fafsa.ed.gov, FAFSA opens <i>October 1, 2017</i>
☐	Apply for qualifying scholarships starting <i>September 6, 2017</i>
☐	Request letters of recommendation <i>2-weeks in advance</i>

Early Action (EA)	Early Decision (ED)	Regular Decision (RD)
Early action plans are nonbinding — students receive an early response to their application but do not have to commit to the college until the normal reply date of May 1. • Apply early. • Receive an admission decision early in the admission cycle (usually in January or February). • Consider acceptance offer; do not have to commit upon receipt. • Apply to other colleges under regular admission plans. • Give the college a decision no later than the May 1 national response date	Early decision plans are binding — a student who is accepted as an ED applicant must attend the college. <i>**Typically with due dates of November 1, 2017 or November 15, 2017.</i> • Apply early (usually in November) to first-choice college. • Receive an admission decision from the college well in advance of the usual notification date (usually by December). • Agree to attend the college if accepted and offered a financial aid package that is considered adequate by the family. • Apply to only one college early decision. • Apply to other colleges under regular admission plans. • Withdraw all other applications if accepted by ED. • Send a nonrefundable deposit well in advance of May 1.	Regular decision is the normal process by which students apply by published deadlines, with promise of receiving an admissions decision no later than April 1 of their senior year. <i>**Check specific college due dates in Naviance!!</i>

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Spring 2017	
☐ Know your Naviance Family Connection login	- Go to your Naviance Family Connection website: http://www.everettsd.org/domain/1464 Enter your username: Student ID number Enter your password: Password code is the last 4 digits of student ID + 2 digits for the day you were born (Birthday <u>day</u>) - Click the Log in button.
☐ Explore College Research tools in Naviance Family Connection and add colleges to your list.	Colleges tab> college research> SuperMatch, college match, college search etc. - Add colleges to colleges I'm thinking about list
☐ Find out about the different college application deadlines and the delivery types so you know what to expect to see in Naviance.	- Go to the home page - Click the link for app delivery types under pages - Click to watch video on the page or scan the code and watch on your mobile device 
☐ Begin exploring scholarships in Naviance and identify scholarships you plan to apply for this fall. You can even save them to your list!	- Click the Colleges Tab - Go to scholarships & money - Explore scholarship list & national scholarship search - Select scholarships you are interested in and click the button to Add Selected Scholarships to My List
☐ Planning to take all or part of the SAT/ACT? Time to study up with resources and self-guided practice found in Naviance Test Prep!	- Go to the home page - Click the link for sat/act resources under pages - Prepare for the SAT and AP exams with the self-paced courses found under Resources> Naviance Test Prep
Summer 2017	
☐ Explore different types of colleges and/or training programs based on your interests	- Click the Colleges tab> college research> SuperMatch, college match, college search etc. - Add colleges/training programs to colleges I'm thinking about list - Click the Careers tab> explore careers> explore careers & clusters - Go to the home page - Click the link for military resources under pages
☐ If you think, you might apply to one or more Common App or Coalition colleges prepare early and connect with your counselor! (*Not sure what a Common app college is? Check out the application delivery types above!)	- Go to the home page> Pages> common app resources Create your Common App www.commonapp.org account Watch Common App Matching video to match Common App & Naviance accounts - Check out the Coalition website http://www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org/
☐ Complete Senior Brag Sheet Survey to be ready to request teacher and counselor recommendations.	- Click the About Me tab> surveys to take> brag sheet survey - The brag sheet survey provides teachers and counselors with specific information needed to write a quality college recommendation letter. - The survey collects all of this information in one place, including accomplishments, goals, and future plans.
☐ Explore scholarships in Naviance and save them to your Scholarship List! It is never too early to apply for \$\$!	- Click the Colleges Tab - Go to scholarships & money - Explore scholarship list & national scholarship search

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	Select scholarships you are interested in and click the button to Add Selected Scholarships to My List
Fall 2017	
☐ Complete Senior Brag Sheet Survey NOW! Your teacher and counselor recommendations depend on it!	- Click the About Me tab> surveys to take> brag sheet survey - Let teachers/counselors know that you completed the survey - Remember to ask teachers at least 2-weeks in advance to complete letters of recommendation.
☐ Complete the FAFSA starting October 1st	- Not sure about financial aid and what is available? - Go to the home page - Click the link for financial aid info under pages
☐ Check college application opening dates and application due dates	- Add them to your personal calendar colleges I'm thinking about list
☐ Request transcripts through Naviance for colleges you are applying to .	- For submitted college applications only - You can request additional transcripts for scholarships and/or athletics throughout the year
☐ If you are applying to <u>any</u> Common App Colleges...	- Watch Common App Matching video Match your Common App & Naviance accounts in order for any documents to be sent to Common App colleges
☐ Contact teachers, counselors, and staff to request letters of recommendation	- Minimum of 2-weeks ahead of the due date!! - Needed for... - Common App Colleges - Some scholarships - NCAA - Let them know you filled out the Senior Brag Sheet Survey - Add a teacher request by going to the Colleges tab> my colleges> letters of recommendation

Do you have questions? Email naviance@everettsd.org

Please be sure to include your first and last name, your student ID, the high school you attend, and des question.

****To see a video outlining the items above, please click the link or scan the code.**

<https://mix.office.com/watch/1240puo6d6s27>

