

# Welcome Seniors and Parents/Guardians !

POBJFKHS Guidance Department

Senior Information Night: Applying to College

September 14, 2021



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# Healthy Communication

- Tips for online applications
- Social networking sites: ours and yours
  - Twitter @Guidancepob
  - Instagram @POBJFK\_Guidance
  - Google Classroom
- Email communication
- Virtual college rep visits
- Operation Apply - September 21

# Important Upcoming Dates

- Financial Aid Night, September 27 - 7:00 pm
- Virtual College Fair Dates:
  - Go to: <https://virtualcollegefairs.org>
  - Fair dates are:
    - September 12: 12-8pm
    - October 3: 1-6pm
    - October 24: 1-6pm
    - November 14 : 1-6pm

## **2021 NCA (Nassau Counselors' Association) Virtual Fall College Expo**

- Tuesday, September 21, 2021, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

# Guidance Office Application Deadlines

## College Deadlines

- October 15
- November 1
- November 15
- January 1

## Guidance Deadline

- September 23
- October 8
- October 21
- December 3

**\*\*\*You MUST allow 15 school days for your application to be processed once it has been submitted to the Guidance Office \*\*\***

# Applications

- ▶ Nearly all applications are submitted electronically
  - ▶ Common Application
  - ▶ Coalition Application
  - ▶ Individual college website application
  
- ▶ If a school is available through the Common Application, we **STRONGLY** advise you apply on [commonapp.org](https://commonapp.org)



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# Getting Started

- ▶ Students are responsible for submitting:
  - ▶ College application(s)
  - ▶ Test score(s)
    - ▶ [collegeboard.org](http://collegeboard.org)
    - ▶ [actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org)
- ▶ Counselors are responsible for submitting:
  - ▶ Academic records
  - ▶ Counselor Recommendation Letters
  - ▶ Other supporting documents (i.e. school profile)

# Electronic Submission

- ▶ These steps are necessary for all electronically submitted applications
  - ▶ Register at [commonapp.org](https://commonapp.org)
  - ▶ Link to Naviance Student
  - ▶ Indicate the colleges you are applying to

[Matching Common App with Naviance](#)

# Naviance/Common Application Recap

- Everyone **MUST** register on the Common Application ([www.Commonapp.org](http://www.Commonapp.org))
- Everyone **MUST** complete the following tasks to sign the FERPA form
  - Secure a username and password
  - Add at least one college to “My Colleges List”
  - Complete the “Education” Section

# We encourage all students to waive your right

## Release Authorization

1  Instructions > 2 Form

- I authorize every school that I have attended to release all requested records and recommendations to colleges to which I am applying for admission. I also authorize employees at these colleges to confidentially contact my current and former schools should they have questions about the information submitted on my behalf

Please select one:

- I waive my right to review all recommendations and supporting documents submitted by me or on my behalf.
- I DO NOT waive my right to review all recommendations and supporting documents submitted by me or on my behalf.
- I understand that my waiver or no waiver selection above pertains to all colleges to which I apply and that my **selections on this page cannot be changed once I invite my first recommender.**

Signature |

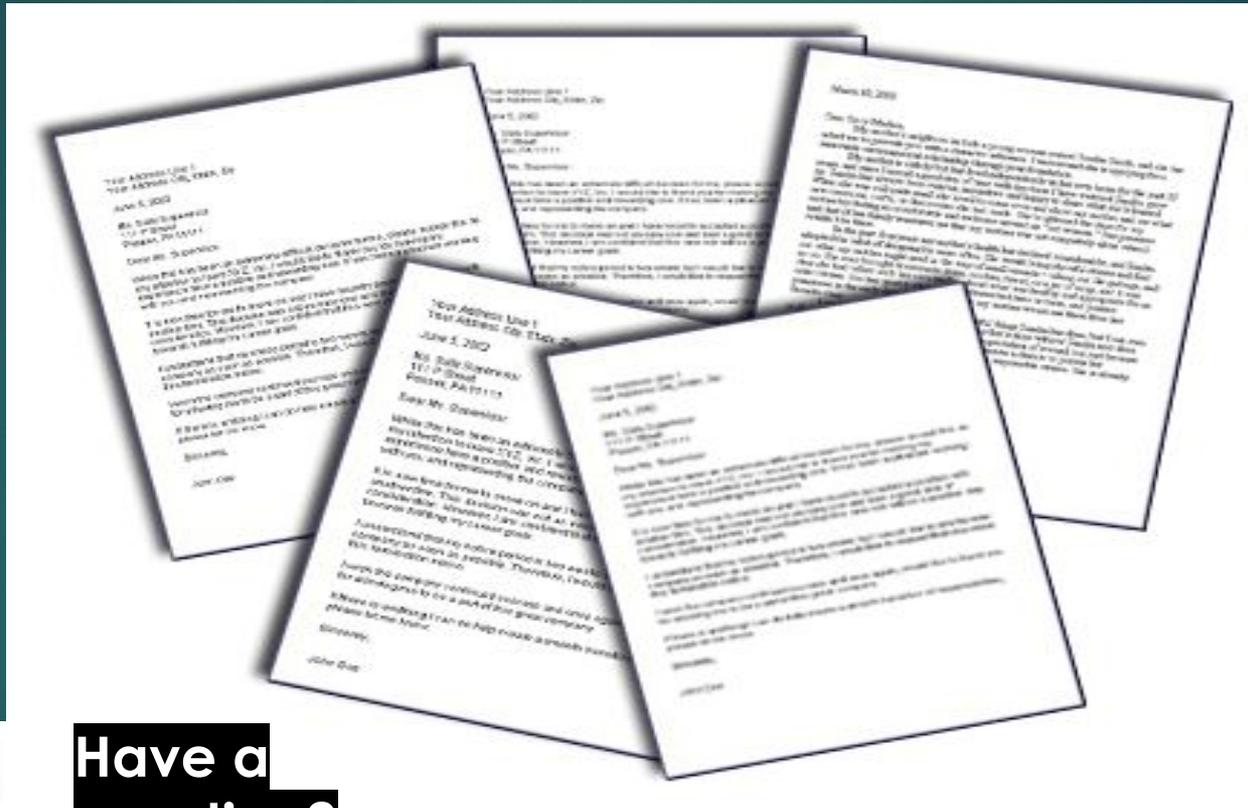
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# Letters of Recommendation



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# Requesting Letters of Recommendation Through **Naviance**

- Be sure to reach out to your teachers via email before starting the online recommendation request process through Naviance
- **REFER TO COLLEGE APPLICATION CHECKLIST HANDOUT**  
Follow bottom instructions for Naviance submission

## Letters of recommendation

### Add new request

Here you can ask a teacher to write you a letter of recommendation. If you don't have any colleges in your list yet, you may still make a request. Make sure you give your teachers plenty of time to write your recommendations!

Cancel

Submit Request

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

Select A Teacher ▼

#### 2. Select which colleges this request is for:\*

- Choose **specific** colleges from your *Colleges I'm Applying To* list.  
Looks like you don't have colleges in your *Colleges I'm Applying To* list yet. Click [here](#) to add.
- All current and future colleges I add to my *Colleges I'm Applying To* list ⓘ

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



- All letters are confidential.
- Teacher recommendations are YOUR responsibility. Be sure to keep in communication with teachers and your counselors throughout the entire process.
- Be mindful of deadlines; request letters at least 15 school days prior to the colleges deadline!
- Requests for counselor recommendations for outside scholarships will be sent directly from POBJFKHS.



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# The College Essay

- We're here to help! Talk to your counselor and English teacher.
- *“Preparing the College Essay”* Booklet on English Department Website
  - ▶ English Department [Video Presentation](#)
  - ▶ English Department [Powerpoint](#)
- *“How to Conquer the Admissions Essay”* New York Times, Rachel Toor, August 2, 2017
- The Covid 19 Question on the Common App  
[Check out this article](#)

# SAT/ACT in the Age of Covid

- Are all of these colleges really test optional?  
[2021 Test Optional Colleges](#)
- What does test optional really mean?
- How will I be evaluated without test scores?
- What about grants & scholarships?
- SAT: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)  
**Home:** October 2  
**Away:** November 6 & December 4
- ACT: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)  
**Away:** Refer to [ACT website](#)



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# Resume/Activity Sheet

Name:

Date of Birth:

## ACTIVITIES RESUME

Activity	Grade Level	Role/Position	Description
<b>School Activities</b>			
			.
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			.
<b>Community Service</b>			
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			.
<b>Athletics</b>			
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			.
<b>Awards and Honors</b>			
			.
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			.
<b>Work Experience</b>			
			.
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			.

# Senior Year Grades



- Strong senior program
- The importance of maintaining senior year grades
- Sending first quarter grades
- Sending mid-year transcript
- Possible decision reversal
- Withdrawing from classes and level changes

# Special Talents

- Musicians and Auditions
- Artists and Portfolios
- Athletes and NCAA



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# NCAA Eligibility

- To report your SAT or ACT score to NCAA use code #9999 for all institutions.
- Log onto NCAA.org or go to [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) to register.
- For more detailed information and requirements [http://www.ncaapublications.com/productdownloads/EB18-19\\_single.pdf](http://www.ncaapublications.com/productdownloads/EB18-19_single.pdf)

# I've Submitted My Application, Now What...

## Application Processing Form

- You must have started your college application before you submit the Application Processing Form to Guidance.
- You must allow 15 school days for your application to be processed once it has been submitted to Guidance.
- The form can be used for every 10 colleges you apply to.
- All of the schools listed on the Application Processing Form should match the schools in your “Colleges I’m Applying To” Naviance list.

# Application Processing Form

Plainview Old Bethpage John F. Kennedy High School  
Guidance and Counseling Center

## APPLICATION PROCESSING FORM

(This form is to be used for every 10 colleges you apply to)

**You must allow 15 school days for your transcript and supporting documents to be processed.**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*You must have started your college application before you submit this form to the Guidance Office\*\*\***

### College(s) I am applying to

*Please indicate the college name, type of application (early decision, early action, regular decision), and application deadline i.e., University of Tulsa, Early Action, November 15<sup>th</sup>. Also please indicate if you applied through Common App, Coalition App, or directly to the College*

College/University Name i.e., University of Tulsa	App. Type Common App, Coal., or direct	App. Type i.e., EA	App. Deadline i.e., 11/15	College/University Name	App. Type Common App, Coal., or direct	App. Type	App. Deadline
1.				6.			
2.				7.			
3.				8.			
4.				9.			
5.				10.			

**Please make sure you write the exact name of the school  
i.e., University at Buffalo or Buffalo State College**

**\*\*Please Indicate your Common App Email** \_\_\_\_\_

Teachers I requested letters of recommendations from:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

*I understand that it is my responsibility to request an official copy of my SAT or ACT scores to be sent directly to the college/university.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature/ Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature/ Date

*I have reviewed my transcript and approve it to be sent directly to the colleges/universities listed above.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature/ Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature/ Date

A note about senior year grades:

- o First quarter grades are not automatically sent to the colleges. It is the student's responsibility to know if the college(s) require first quarter grades, and if so, the deadline. Students must submit this request, in writing, to their counselor.
- o Mid-year grades will automatically be sent to all applied colleges unless a written request NOT to have them sent is received by February 1.



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**Best wishes for a successful  
and happy school year!**

**We are here for you!**



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## Sr. Guidance Night Q & A

Question	Answer
Are Senior grades factored into transcript averages or are the grades sent/kept separate when sent to colleges?	Senior grades are not factored into transcript averages until the end of the school year. However, midterm grade reports are sent to colleges. Upon request, 1st quarter averages can be sent as well.
What colleges have extra supports for children with IEP and ADHD?	All colleges have some supports. The extent of programs and services vary. Check with your counselor for more information.
How do you add 8th grade transcript courses and grades when Middle schools are not an option on the Education section of the Common App?	Add them as HS courses with the actual year noted. (2018)
Should we fill out the FAFSA form even if we know we won't be receiving any need based aid (do some schools require it to be considered for merit based aid)?	We encourage you to do so because merit aid may depend on receipt of the form.
Can supplemental essays be submitted at a later time for those schools which require it, or do they need to be submitted along with the common app?	Most colleges require the supplement(s) be submitted by the application deadline.
When creating the resume through Naviance, it ends up being 4 pages because it includes so many activities, etc. Is this OK, or should we eliminate some items to shorten the resume?	We typically recommend a one or two page resume. Your counselor can help with editing.
My daughter spoke with a couple of teachers about letters of recommendation last year, and officially did the request through Naviance a few weeks ago. Should she visit the teachers in person to remind them and inform them of the early action deadlines, or will they know to take care of the letters?	A friendly "reminder" or a check in is always a smart idea.
When completing the "courses and grades" section of the common app do we enter the quarter grades and final course grade or just the final course grade?	Only the final course grade.

<p>Some colleges on my daughter's list use the SRAR (self reported academic record) and indicate that they do not want an official transcript sent during the admissions process. How can she indicate to her counselor that she would like the counselor's letter of recommendation and secondary school report sent to these schools, however does NOT want the transcript sent?</p>	<p>Your daughter can make a note on her green form.</p>
<p>How and when should SAT and AP scores be sent?</p>	<p>You can send at any time, but certainly once you've submitted the application the scores must be sent.</p>
<p>In the Education section of the common app where you list the courses you are currently taking, what level should we list college calculus and college spanish as? Regular, n/a or one of the other choices?</p>	<p>Our college courses are considered Dual Enrollment courses.</p>
<p>Will there be a senior trip or something like it?</p>	<p>As of now, no trip is planned.</p>
<p>Should a resume still be submitted within the common app even if we are able to fit all of our activities within the activities section?</p>	<p>In this case, you do not need to submit a resume.</p>
<p>I think the link for twitter on the slide you showed isn't correct - it is POBJFKHSGuidance</p>	<p><a href="https://twitter.com/GuidancePob">https://twitter.com/GuidancePob</a> - Please use this link to access our POBJFKHS Guidance Twitter account. Please follow us on Instagram as well by using @POBJFK_Guidance</p>
<p>I think the Twitter account you had listed on the first slide was incorrect. I think it should read @pobjfkguidance. Please confirm that this is correct. Thank you! Great presentation!!</p>	<p><a href="https://twitter.com/GuidancePob">https://twitter.com/GuidancePob</a> - Please use this link to access our POBJFKHS Guidance Twitter account. Please follow us on Instagram as well by using @POBJFK_Guidance</p>
<p>Where can I find the form to bring to the guidance counselors to release my records?</p>	<p>They are available in the Guidance office and online: <a href="https://www.pobschools.org/Page/1088">https://www.pobschools.org/Page/1088</a></p>
<p>Some schools are SAT optional. There is an an SAT on Nov 6. The score the student achieves on this exam may determine if he/she wants to submit those scores. Given the November deadlines can the student decide to submit scores after guidance has started working on the application?</p>	<p>Yes. On the common application under the "Testing" section, please indicate you are taking a future test date.</p>
<p>My chromebook says that the common app cannot be opened in my browser. I do not have access to another computer, how can I fix this issue?</p>	<p>Bring your chromebook to the library and ask a tech to help you. If you need help navigating this, contact your counselor.</p>

This might've been answered already but When does the green sheet need to be submitted?	The green sheet needs to be submitted 15 school days prior to the college deadline.
Re: letters of recommendation. What subject areas are considered "major"? AP psych? Research?	A core academic subject: English, Math, Science, Social Studies. Although AP Psych and research are not considered major subjects, they are uniquely strong and may be great choices. See your counselor to discuss!
What do you mean Major subject	A core academic subject: English, Math, Science, Social Studies
On the common app, when submitting grades from middle school, how do you put the name of your middle school? Only the high school is choice to choose from.	List as high school with the appropriate year (2018)
If i were to apply earlier than the application deadline, would i have to submit the green form earlier than the forms submission date	You can submit at any time.
Does your application, need be completed before you hand in form to guidance	No, your application does not need to be completed before you hand in the green form.
Do the colleges all need to be selected for the letters of recommendations at the beginning, or can we choose which schools get which recommendations as each application is worked on and submitted	When you request your teachers on Naviance, you will indicate which colleges you want their letter to go to.
I checked college board website and while I was trying to register for october 2nd sat there wasnt a date. How do i register for sat in october 2nd?	This must be done through College Board. Call if you need assistance.
If I have already started all of my applications on Common App, can I submit my green sheet with all of my schools on it before September 23? Or do I have to specifically hand it in on the 23rd?	You are more than welcome to fill out a green sheet, but please submit the form to Guidance once all school applications are fully complete and submitted on Common App. Once that's done, you don't need to wait until the deadline date to submit; you can submit prior.
Can you submit the green sheet more than one time?	Yes. You can submit multiple green sheets, as long as the student has officially applied on Common App and the green sheet has a student and parent signature.
Can you specify what exactly gets submitted on paper and what gets submitted electronically	Yes, the green form asks you how you submitted your application (common app, coalition app, paper, etc)
Can I submit a portfolio of my artwork even though I don't want to major in art?	Yes!
Does your GPA, ACT score, and like school info have to be on your resume??	No because this information is listed elsewhere. Your GPA is on your transcript and you will have your ACT score sent directly from ACT.
How do we super score on the common app?	You self report your high scores under the "testing" tab
Can she submit more than one like two college applications processing form ?	You can submit as many Application Processing Forms as you need to.

<p>Do colleges care during what time span you apply to their schools? For example, will someone who applied August 2nd to a school have a better chance than someone who applied October 30th?</p>	<p>Schools with deadlines give no advantage to students who submit earlier. It is important to submit when you are ready to do so - don't rush the application!</p>
<p>Where can you locate application deadlines for each college? On their websites?</p>	<p>Yes - check their websites.</p>
<p>One of my colleges requires a maximum of 1 letters of recommendation. Instead of a core subject teacher, I requested a letter of recommendation for an elective teacher. I have had this elective teacher for all 4 years of my high school career and feel she knows me best. Is it still recommended that I ask a core subject teacher?</p>	<p>Unless the college specified a core academic teacher, this is okay.</p>
<p>If you have different board positions for one club throughout high school and you can't fit all of them in the common app, should you repeat it in more depth on the resume?</p>	<p>In this case, yes.</p>
<p>Are any colleges visiting onsite @ the high school or all virtual this year only?</p>	<p>All virtual visits this year.</p>
<p>So you answered this a little but for more detail I know you said not to be redundant by adding resume. When you are writing the activities on common app they have limited number of words, so we put a bunch of volunteer activities in in one section, but the resume explains volunteer work in more detail. Would that be considered redundant?</p>	<p>Not necessarily in this case. Your counselor can help with appropriate elaborating and editing.</p>
<p>Piggy backing on that FAFSA question - What about schools that are Not need blind? Does submitting the FAFSA work against admission?</p>	
<p>What is the process of applying to CUNY schools or schools that don't use common app? How would our school send reports through the CUNY application?</p>	<p>The process is the same. Instead of filling out the common application you would fill out the CUNY application.</p>
<p>When will scholarship opportunities info. be provided? When does the CSS form become available?</p>	<p>As we hear about scholarship opportunities, we post on Naviance. Check college websites as well. Our Community Scholarship packet will be sent home close to February break.</p>
<p>If one qualifies for a fee waiver, how does guidance handle this so that the fee is actually waived?</p>	<p>Students submit fee waivers when they apply. Students should contact their counselor for details.</p>

University of Tampa reached out to my stating that they will be at JFK and I set up an appt with them. Where would I meet them	All college rep visits are VIRTUAL this year so please refer to your Naviance accout for the date they will be visiting.
Some schools select you for the honors program and some schools ask you if they want to apply to it. Am I correct?	Correct!
Great presentation tonight! When and where will tonight's presentation be posted to review again?	On the Guidance website by the end of this week/early next week.